

Original sponsor: Judiciary Committee

Offered: 4/15/81
Referred: Rules

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 32 (Judiciary)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Proposing an amendment to the Con-
6 stitution of the State of Alaska
7 relating to membership of the Commis-
8 sion on Judicial Qualifications.

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

10 * Section 1. Article IV, sec. 10, Constitution of the State of Alaska,
11 is amended to read:

12 SECTION 10. COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS. The Commis-
13 sion on Judicial Qualifications shall consist of nine members, as
14 follows: one judge of the court of appeals [JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME
15 COURT], elected by the justices of the supreme court; one judge [THREE
16 JUDGES] of the superior court, elected by the judges of the superior
17 court; one judge of the district court, elected by the judges of the
18 district court; three [TWO] members who have practiced law in this
19 state for ten years, appointed by the governor from nominations made
20 by the governing body of the organized bar and subject to confirmation
21 by a majority of the members of the legislature in joint session; and
22 three [TWO] persons who are not judges, retired judges, or members of
23 the state bar, appointed by the governor and subject to confirmation by
24 a majority of the members of the legislature in joint session. In
25 addition to being subject to impeachment under Section 12 of this
26 article, a justice or judge may be disqualified from acting as such and
27 may be suspended, removed from office, retired, or censured by the
28 supreme court upon the recommendation of the commission. The powers
29 and duties of the commission and the bases for judicial disqualifica-

1 tion shall be established by law.

2 * Sec. 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be placed
3 before the voters of the state at the next general election in conformity
4 with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the State of Alaska, and the elec-
5 tion laws of the state.

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