

Original sponsor: Judiciary Committee

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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

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

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: three persons who are justices or judges of state courts [ONE  
15 JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT], elected by the justices and judges  
16 of state courts [OF THE SUPREME COURT; THREE JUDGES OF THE SUPERIOR  
17 COURT, ELECTED BY THE JUDGES OF THE SUPERIOR COURT; ONE JUDGE OF THE  
18 DISTRICT COURT, ELECTED BY THE JUDGES OF THE DISTRICT COURT]; three  
19 [TWO] members who have practiced law in this state for ten years,  
20 appointed by the governor from nominations made by the governing body  
21 of the organized bar and subject to confirmation by a majority of  
22 the members of the legislature in joint session; and three [TWO] persons  
23 who are not judges, retired judges, or members of the state bar, appoint-  
24 ed by the governor and subject to confirmation by a majority of the  
25 members of the legislature in joint session. In addition to being  
26 subject to impeachment under Section 12 of this article, a justice or  
27 judge may be disqualified from acting as such and may be suspended,  
28 removed from office, retired, or censured by the supreme court upon the  
29 recommendation of the commission. The powers and duties of the commis-

1 sion and the bases for judicial disqualification shall be established  
2 by law.

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

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