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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY PHILLIPS AND MARTIN

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Proposing an amendment to the Constitu-

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tion of the State of Alaska providing

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that a legislator who is convicted of a

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felony forfeits legislative office.

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

10 * Section 1. Article II, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amend-
11 ed by adding a new section to read:

12 SECTION 22. FORFEITURE OF OFFICE. A legislator who is convicted
13 of a felony involving moral turpitude as defined by law forfeits
14 legislative office. An appeal from a judgment of conviction by the
15 trial court is to the Supreme Court on an expedited appeal. The
16 office is vacant on the date that judgment of conviction is affirmed
17 by the Supreme Court, or the period for appeal has expired. The
18 vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term as provided by law for
19 vacancies in the legislature.

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