

Original sponsor(s): Rules/Governor

1 IN THE SENATE BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE
2 CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 78 (Resources)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Proposing an amendment to the Constitu-
6 tion of the State of Alaska relating to
7 subsistence uses of fish and wildlife;
8 and providing for an effective date for
9 the amendment.

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

11 * Section 1. Article VIII, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is
12 amended by adding a new section to read:

13 SECTION 19. SUBSISTENCE USES OF FISH AND WILDLIFE. Consistent
14 with the sustained yield principle, the legislature may grant a pref-
15 erence to and among residents of rural areas of the State for the
16 taking of fish and wildlife for subsistence uses.

17 * Sec. 2. In addition to authorizing the legislature to enact laws
18 relating to granting a preference for subsistence uses, the intent of the
19 amendment proposed by this resolution is to (1) validate, ratify, and
20 reinstate state subsistence laws, including provisions of ch. 52, SLA 1986,
21 that are consistent with federal laws relating to subsistence uses; and (2)
22 allow the state to retain management of fish and wildlife on federal land.

23 * Sec. 3. The amendment proposed by this resolution, and the intent of
24 the amendment as set out in this resolution, shall be placed before the
25 voters of the state as one ballot proposition at the next general election
26 in conformity with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the State of Alaska,
27 and the election laws of the state.

28 * Sec. 4. The amendment proposed by this resolution if approved by the
29 voters is effective immediately upon certification of the election returns

1 by the lieutenant governor.