

CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2 (FINANCE)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 5/8/92

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES NAVARRE, Ellis, Ulmer, Brown, Finkelstein, Taylor, Donley

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to terms of
2 representatives and limiting tenure in the legislature.

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

4 * Section 1. Article II, sec. 3, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:

5 SECTION 3. ELECTION AND TERMS. Legislators shall be elected at general
6 elections. Their terms begin on the fourth Monday of the January following election unless
7 otherwise provided by law. The term of representatives [SHALL BE TWO YEARS,] and the
8 term of senators shall be [,] four years. One-half of the **representatives and one-half of the**
9 senators shall be elected every two years. **No person may serve more than two full or partial**
10 **consecutive terms as a representative and two full or partial consecutive terms as a senator.**
11 **In addition, no person may serve during more than sixteen consecutive full or partial years**
12 **in the legislature.**

13 * Sec. 2. Article XV, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended by adding new sections to read:

14 SECTION 29. TENURE OF LEGISLATORS. The 1992 amendment limiting tenure in
15 the legislature (Section 3 of Article II) applies only to periods served in the legislature after the
16 effective date of the amendment.

1 **SECTION 30. TERMS OF REPRESENTATIVES.** The 1992 amendment changing the
2 terms of representatives to four years (Section 3 of Article II) does not apply to the term of a
3 representative that begins in 1993. At the 1994 State general election one-half of the
4 representatives shall be chosen for two-year terms and one-half of the representatives shall be
5 chosen for four-year terms. The director of elections shall determine by lot which seats are for
6 two-year terms and which seats are for four-year terms.

7 * Sec. 3. The amendments proposed by this resolution shall be placed before the voters of the state
8 at the next general election in conformity with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the State of Alaska, and
9 the election laws of the state.