

CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7 (STATE AFFAIRS)
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/23/92

Referred: Judiciary, Finance

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES LEMAN, Sharp, Zawacki, G.Phillips, Choquette, M.A.Miller, Taylor, Hanley

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to terms of
2 legislators.

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. (a) 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 term of
8 senators shall be [,] four years. One-half of the senators shall be elected every two years. A
9 person may serve no more than eight consecutive full years as a member of the legislature.
10 After that period, the person may not again serve as a member of the legislature until at
11 least twenty-three months after the member leaves office.

12 * Sec. 2. Article II, sec. 3, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended by adding a new
13 subsection to read:

14 (b) Notwithstanding (a) of this section, if a person has served less than seven consecutive
15 full years in the legislature on the day the person assumes office in the legislature, that person
16 may complete the term of office assumed.

1 * **Sec. 3. Article XV, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended by adding a new section to**
2 **read:**

3 **SECTION 29. APPLICATION OF 1992 TENURE AMENDMENT. Years served in the**
4 **legislature before the convening of the First Regular Session of the Eighteenth Alaska State**
5 **Legislature shall not be considered for purposes of applying the tenure limit added by the 1992**
6 **amendment to Section 3 of Article II.**

7 * **Sec. 4. 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.**