

**CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13 (STATE AFFAIRS)****IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA****SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION****BY THE HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE****Offered: 3/18/92****Referred: Judiciary, Finance****Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES KUBINA, Ulmer, MacLean****A RESOLUTION**

1 **Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska requiring that candidates**  
2 **for governor and lieutenant governor receive 45 percent of the votes cast to be elected,**  
3 **and changing the term of office of the governor and the lieutenant governor.**

4 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

5 \* **Section 1. Article III, sec. 3, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:**

6 **SECTION 3. ELECTION. The governor shall be chosen by the qualified voters of the**  
7 **State at a general election. The candidate receiving the greatest number of votes equal to or**  
8 **greater than forty-five percent of the total number of votes cast for governor shall be**  
9 **governor. If no candidate receives at least forty-five percent of the votes cast for governor,**  
10 **a runoff election between the two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes cast**  
11 **shall be held within forty-five days of the first election.**

12 \* **Sec. 2. Article III, sec. 4, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:**

13 **SECTION 4. TERM OF OFFICE. If a runoff election is required to elect a governor,**  
14 **then the [THE] term of office of the governor begins [IS FOUR YEARS, BEGINNING] at noon**  
15 **on the second day of January immediately after the election. Otherwise, the term of office**

1 ~~of the governor begins at noon on the~~ first Monday in December following the governor's  
2 [HIS] election. Election for governor occurs every four years [AND ENDING AT NOON ON  
3 THE FIRST MONDAY IN DECEMBER FOUR YEARS LATER].

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