

**SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13 (JUDICIARY)****IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA****SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION****BY THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE****Offered: 5/12/92**  
**Referred: Finance****Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES KUBINA, Ulmer, MacLean****A RESOLUTION**

1 Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to elections of  
2 the governor and lieutenant governor and changing the term of office of the governor and  
3 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 percent of the total number of votes cast for governor shall be governor.  
9 If no candidate receives at least forty percent of the votes cast for governor, a runoff  
10 election between the two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes cast shall be held  
11 on the first Tuesday in December following the general 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 following the election or the seventh day following certification

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

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