

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY SENATOR MENARD

Introduced: 1/21/91

Referred: Judiciary and Finance

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to the
2 duration of a regular session.

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

4 * Section 1. Article II, sec. 8, Constitution of the State of Alaska is amended to read:

5 SECTION 8. REGULAR SESSIONS. The legislature shall convene in regular session
6 each year on the fourth Monday in February [JANUARY], but the month and day may be
7 changed by law. Each regular session is limited to ninety [THE LEGISLATURE SHALL
8 ADJOURN FROM REGULAR SESSION NO LATER THAN ONE HUNDRED TWENTY]
9 consecutive calendar days [FROM THE DATE IT CONVENES] except that a regular session
10 may be extended once for up to ten consecutive calendar days. An extension of the regular
11 session requires the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the membership of each house of
12 the legislature. The legislature shall adopt as part of the uniform rules of procedure deadlines
13 for scheduling session work not inconsistent with provisions controlling the length of the session.

14 * Sec. 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be placed before the voters of the state
15 at the next general election in conformity with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the State of Alaska, and
16 the election laws of the state.