

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7 (JUDICIARY)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Offered: 5/2/92
Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): SENATORS FRANK, Fischer

A RESOLUTION

1 **Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to the duration**
2 **of a regular session and requiring an estimate of state revenue to be submitted to the**
3 **legislature during each regular session.**

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

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

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

15 *** Sec. 2. Article II, sec. 8, Constitution of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new subsection**
16 **to read:**

1 (b) On the last day of the first forty-five day period of a regular session, the governor
2 shall submit to the legislature an estimate of state revenue expected to be received during the
3 next fiscal year.

4 * Sec. 3. Article II, sec. 10, Constitution of the State of Alaska is amended to read:

5 SECTION 10. ADJOURNMENT. Except as required by Section 8 of this article,
6 neither [NEITHER] house may adjourn or recess for longer than three days unless the other
7 concurs. If the two houses cannot agree on the time of adjournment and either house certifies
8 the disagreement to the governor, he may adjourn the legislature.

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