

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 44  
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Referred: Judiciary

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to the  
2 duration of a term in office for a legislator.

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 03. ELECTION AND TERMS. Legislators shall be elected at  
6 general elections. Their terms begin on the fourth Monday of the January  
7 following election unless otherwise provided by law. The term of representatives  
8 shall be four [TWO] years, and the term of senators, six [FOUR] years. One-half of  
9 the representatives [SENATORS] shall be elected every two years. Every two years  
10 on a rotational basis the following number of senators shall be elected: six, seven,  
11 and seven.

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

14 SECTION 29. TRANSITION IN DURATION OF LEGISLATIVE TERMS OF  
15 OFFICE. Notwithstanding Section 3 of Article II, as amended in 1994, the terms of  
16 all legislators expire at the end of the Nineteenth Legislative Session. Not later than

1       **March 15, 1995, for purposes of the 1996 general election, the governor shall designate**  
2       **terms for legislative office by district as follows:**

3               **(1) one-half of the members of the house of representatives shall be**  
4       **elected to serve two-year terms and one-half shall be elected to serve four-year terms;**

5               **(2) six members of the senate shall be elected to serve two-year terms,**  
6       **seven members shall be elected to serve four-year terms, and seven members shall be**  
7       **elected to serve six-year terms.**

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