

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to
2 terms of legislators.

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 3. ELECTION AND TERMS. (a) Legislators shall be elected at
6 general elections. Their terms begin on the fourth Monday of the January following
7 election unless otherwise provided by law. The term of representatives shall be two
8 years, and the term of senators shall be [,] four years. One-half of the senators shall
9 be elected every two years. A person may serve no more than eight consecutive
10 full calendar years as a member of the legislature. After that period, the person
11 may not again serve as a member of the legislature until at least twenty-three
12 months after the member leaves office.

13 * Sec. 2. Article II, sec. 3, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended by adding a
14 new subsection to read:

15 (b) Notwithstanding (a) of this section, if a person has served less than seven
16 consecutive full calendar years in the legislature on the day the person assumes office

1 in the legislature, that person may complete the term of office assumed.

2 * Sec. 3. Article XV, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended by adding a new
3 section to read:

4 SECTION 29. APPLICATION OF 1994 TENURE AMENDMENT. Years
5 served in the legislature before the convening of the First Regular Session of the
6 Nineteenth Alaska State Legislature shall not be considered for purposes of applying
7 the tenure limit added by the 1994 amendment to Section 3 of Article II.

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