

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 41

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Referred: Community and Regional Affairs, Judiciary, Finance

A RESOLUTION

1 **Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to annexations**
2 **of areas to and detachments of areas from cities and organized boroughs.**

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

4 * **Section 1.** Article X, sec. 12, Constitution of the State of Alaska is amended to read:

5 **Section 12. Boundaries. (a)** A local boundary commission or board shall be
6 established by law in the executive branch of the state government. The commission
7 or board may consider any proposed local government boundary change. It may
8 present proposed changes to the legislature during the first ten days of any regular
9 session. **Subject to (b) of this section, the** [THE] change **becomes** [SHALL
10 BECOME] effective [FORTY-FIVE DAYS AFTER PRESENTATION OR] at the
11 end of the session [, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER,] unless disapproved **during that**
12 **session** by a resolution concurred in by a majority of the members of each house. The
13 commission or board, subject to law, may establish procedures whereby boundaries
14 may be adjusted by local action.

15 * **Sec. 2.** Article X, sec. 12, Constitution of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new
16 subsection to read:

1 (b) Unless no voters reside within the area, a proposed annexation to or
2 detachment from a city or an organized borough is subject to approval by a majority of
3 the voters voting on the question who reside within the area proposed for annexation
4 or detachment.

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