

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 12

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY SENATOR BISHOP

Introduced: 1/21/20

Referred: Prefiled

A RESOLUTION

1 **Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to actions**
2 **upon veto.**

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

4 * **Section 1.** Article II, sec. 16, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:

5 **Section 16. Action Upon Veto.** Upon receipt of a veto message during a
6 regular session of the legislature, the legislature shall meet immediately in joint
7 session and reconsider passage of the vetoed bill or item. Bills [TO RAISE
8 REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION BILLS OR ITEMS], although vetoed, become
9 law by affirmative vote of [THREE-FOURTHS OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE
10 LEGISLATURE. OTHER VETOED BILLS BECOME LAW BY AFFIRMATIVE
11 VOTE OF] two-thirds of the membership of the legislature. Bills vetoed after
12 adjournment of the first regular session of the legislature shall be reconsidered by the
13 legislature sitting as one body no later than the fifth day of the next regular or special
14 session of that legislature. Bills vetoed after adjournment of the second regular session
15 shall be reconsidered by the legislature sitting as one body no later than the fifth day
16 of a special session of that legislature, if one is called. The vote on reconsideration of a

1 vetoed bill shall be entered on the journals of both houses.

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