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Sixty-third
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3005

Introduced by

Representatives Kempenich, Brandenburg, Pollert, Rust

Senators Bowman, Lyson, O'Connell

1   A concurrent resolution to amend and reenact section 9 of article III of the Constitution of North

2   Dakota, relating to initiated constitutional amendments.

3   **STATEMENT OF INTENT**

4   This measure would require that a petition to initiate a constitutional amendment must contain

5   signatures equal in number to at least four percent of the resident population from each of at

6   least fifty percent of the counties in the state. This measure would require that initiated

7   constitutional amendments be placed on the general election ballot.

8   **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE**

9   **SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

10   That the following proposed amendment to section 9 of article III of the Constitution of North

11 Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at the

12 general election to be held in 2014, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the

13 Constitution of North Dakota.

14   **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 9 of article III of the Constitution of North Dakota is

15 amended and reenacted as follows:

16   **Section 9.** A constitutional amendment may be proposed by initiative petition. ~~If~~The petition

17 may be submitted to the secretary of state if signed by electors equal in number to four percent

18 of the resident population of the state at the last federal decennial census and if of the total

19 amount of signatures submitted, the petition ~~may be submitted to the secretary of~~includes

20 signatures of electors equal in number to at least four percent of the resident population from

21 each of at least fifty percent of the counties in the state. If the secretary of state finds a petition

22 to be sufficient, the secretary of state shall place the measure on the ballot at the next general

23 election. All other provisions relating to initiative measures apply hereto.