

# CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS APPROVED

## CHAPTER 396

### KOREAN VETERANS BONUS BOND ISSUE

House Concurrent Resolution "D", Chapter 358, 1955 Session Laws, proposed by the 34th Legislative Assembly of the state of North Dakota to provide for an amendment of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota relating to a Korean Veterans Bonus Bond Issue by adding thereto the following article to the amendments thereof:

*Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:*

#### ARTICLE 65

§ 1.) The legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota is hereby authorized and empowered to provide by legislation for the issuance, sale and delivery of the bonds of the state of North Dakota in the principal amount not to exceed \$9,000,000.00, the proceeds thereof to be used in payment of adjusted compensation to North Dakota veterans of the Korean conflict who served in the armed forces of the United States or any of its allies during the period from June 25, 1950 to July 27, 1953 on the basis of terms of service, and under such terms and conditions as the legislative assembly may prescribe.

Approved June 26, 1956.

85908 to 59441

**Note:** This measure was No. 1 on the primary election ballot.

## CHAPTER 397

## COMPENSATION FOR PUBLIC TAKING PRIVATE PROPERTY

House Concurrent Resolution "O", Chapter 359, 1955 Session Laws, proposed by the 34th Legislative Assembly of the state of North Dakota to provide for the amendment of section 14 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota relating to compensation for private property taken or damaged for public use by omitting the words ", and" , "other than municipal" and adding the words, "provided however, that when the state or any of its departments, agencies or political subdivisions seeks to acquire right of way, it may take possession upon making an offer to purchase and by depositing the amount of such offer with the clerk of the district court of the county wherein the right of way is located. The clerk shall immediately notify the owner of such deposit. The owner may thereupon appeal to the court in the manner provided by law, and may have a jury trial, unless a jury be waived, to determine the damages." so as to read as follows:

*Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:*

## ARTICLE 66

§ 14.) Private property shall not be taken or damaged for public use without just compensation having been first made to, or paid into court for the owner. No right of way shall be appropriated to the use of any corporation until full compensation therefor be first made in money or ascertained and paid into court for the owner, irrespective of any benefit from any improvement proposed by such corporation, which compensation shall be ascertained by a jury, unless a jury be waived, provided however, that when the state or any of its departments, agencies or political subdivisions seeks to acquire right of way, it may take possession upon making an offer to purchase and by depositing the amount of such offer with the clerk of the district court of the county wherein the right of way is located. The clerk shall immediately notify the owner of such deposit. The owner may thereupon appeal to the court in the manner provided by law, and may have a jury trial, unless a jury be waived, to determine the damages.

Approved June 26, 1956.

68111 to 60371

Note: This measure was No. 5 on the primary election ballot.

## CHAPTER 398

## REMOVE FOUR YEAR LIMIT ON COUNTY TREASURER TERM

Submitted by initiative petition for an amendment of section 173 of article 10 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, as amended, to provide for the removal of the four-year restriction upon the term of office of county treasurer by omitting the words "The sheriff and treasurer of any county shall not hold their respective offices for more than four years in succession." and inserting the words "The legislative assembly shall enact appropriate legislation to make this amendment effective at their first session after its adoption." so as to read as follows:

**BALLOT TITLE:** A petition to amend and reenact section 173 of article 10 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, as amended, providing for the removal of the four-year restriction upon the term of office of county treasurer.

*Be It Enacted by the People of the State of North Dakota:*

## ARTICLE 67

**§ 1. Amendment.)** Section 173 of article 10 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, as amended, is hereby reenacted to read as follows:

**SECTION 173.** At the first general election after the adoption of this amendment, and every two years thereafter, there shall be elected in each county, organized under the provision of section 172 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, a register of deeds, county auditor, treasurer, sheriff, state's attorney, county judge and a clerk of the district court, who shall be electors in the county in which they are elected and who shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified; provided in counties having fifteen thousand population or less, the county judge shall also be clerk of the district court; provided further that in counties having a population of six thousand or less the register of deeds shall also be clerk of the district court and county judge. The legislative assembly shall enact appropriate legislation to make this amendment effective at their first session after its adoption.

Approved June 26, 1956.

67339 to 63345

**Note:** This measure was No. 9 on the primary election ballot.

**Note:** All of the above approved constitutional amendments are shown with preambles and titles as they were on the actual ballots submitted to the electorate.