

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS APPROVED

CHAPTER 430

JURISDICTION OF UNITED STATES AND INDIAN LANDS

Senate Concurrent Resolution "Q", chapter 403, 1957 Session Laws, proposed by the 35th Legislative Assembly of the state of North Dakota to provide for the amendment of paragraph 2 of section 203 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, relating to state jurisdiction over lands of the United States and Indian lands by inserting the words "provided, however, that the Legislative Assembly of the state of North Dakota may, upon such terms and conditions as it shall adopt, provide for the acceptance of such jurisdiction as may be delegated to the state by Act of Congress;" so as to read as follows:

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

SECTION 203. Second. The people inhabiting this state do agree and declare that they forever disclaim all right and title to the unappropriated public lands lying within the boundaries thereof, and to all lands lying within said limits owned or held by any Indian or Indian tribes, and that until the title thereto shall have been extinguished by the United States, the same shall be and remain subject to the disposition of the United States, and that said Indian lands shall remain under the absolute jurisdiction and control of the Congress of the United States, provided, however, that the Legislative Assembly of the state of North Dakota may, upon such terms and conditions as it shall adopt, provide for the acceptance of such jurisdiction as may be delegated to the state by act of Congress; that the lands belonging to citizens of the United States residing without this state shall never be taxed at a higher rate than the lands belonging to residents of this state; that no taxes shall be imposed by this state on lands or property therein, belonging to, or which may hereafter be purchased by the United States or reserved for its use. But nothing in this article shall preclude this state from taxing as other lands are taxed, any lands owned or held by any Indian who has severed his tribal relations, and has obtained from the United States or from any person, a title thereto, by patent or other grant, save and except such lands as have been or may be granted to any Indian or Indians under any acts of Congress containing a provision exempting the lands thus granted from

taxation, which last mentioned lands shall be exempt from taxation so long, and to such an extent, as is, or may be provided in the act of Congress granting the same.

Approved June 24, 1958.

74,398 to 40,639

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

CHAPTER 431

ELECTIVE FRANCHISE

Senate Concurrent Resolution "B-B", chapter 402, 1957 Session Laws, proposed by the 35th Legislative Assembly of the state of North Dakota to provide for amendment of section 121 of article V of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, as amended, relating to the elective franchise, is hereby amended by omitting the words "qualified elector" ",", and "entitled to vote" and inserting the words "person of the age of twenty-one or upwards who is a citizen of the United States and", "and" and "qualified elector" so as to read as follows, and to repeal article 40 of the additions to and amendments of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota relating to the elective franchise:

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

SECTION 121. Every person of the age of twenty-one or upwards who is a citizen of the United States and who shall have resided in the state one year and in the county ninety days and in the precinct thirty days next preceding any election shall be a qualified elector at such election. Provided that where a qualified elector moves from one precinct to another within the state he shall be entitled to vote in the precinct from which he moves until he establishes his residence in the precinct to which he moves.

Approved June 24, 1958.

99,749 to 25,296

Note: This measure was No. 2 on the primary election ballot.