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1 A concurrent resolution to amend and reenact section 2 of article III of the Constitution of North 2 Dakota, relating to the drafting of an initiative measure. 3 STATEMENT OF INTENT 4 This measure would require the Legislative Assembly to provide a procedure through which a 5 sponsoring committee for an initiated measure may request drafting services from the 6 Legislative Council. 7 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE** OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE 8 **CONCURRING THEREIN:** 9 That the following proposed amendment to section 2 of article III of the Constitution of North 10 Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at the 11 general election to be held in 2020, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the 12 Constitution of North Dakota. 13 SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 2 of article III of the Constitution of North Dakota is 14 amended and reenacted as follows: 15 Section 2. A petition to initiate or to refer a measure must be presented to the secretary of 16 state for approval as to form. A request for approval must be presented over the names and 17 signatures of twenty-five or more electors as sponsors, one of whom must be designated as 18 chairman of the sponsoring committee. The secretary of state shall approve the petition for 19 circulation if it is in proper form and contains the names and addresses of the sponsors and the 20 full text of the measure. 21 The legislative assembly may provide by law for a procedure through which the legislative 22 council may establish an appropriate method for determining the fiscal impact of an initiative 23 measure and for making the information regarding the fiscal impact of the measure available to

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- 1 The legislative assembly shall provide by law for a procedure through which the legislative
- 2 <u>council may provide drafting services for an initiated measure sponsoring committee to ensure</u>
- 3 the initiated measure conforms to legislative council form and style drafting guidelines. The
- 4 <u>legislative council may not alter the intent of the sponsoring committee of a proposed initiated</u>
- 5 measure.