

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1433

Page 1, line 2, after "16.1-11-27" insert ", 16.1-11-30"

Page 1, line 3, remove "and" and after "40-21-02" insert ", 44-02-05, and 44-02-08"

Page 9, after line 10, insert:

**"SECTION 10. AMENDMENT.** Section 16.1-11-30 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**16.1-11-30. Separate column on primary election ballot required for each political party.** Any party that had printed on the ballot at the last preceding presidential election the names of a set of presidential electors pledged to the election of the party's candidates for president and vice president or a candidate for governor and those candidates for presidential electors or governor received at least five percent of the total vote cast for presidential electors or the office of governor within this state at that election; any party that had printed on the ballot at the last preceding non-presidential election a candidate for attorney general or secretary of state, and the candidate received at least five percent of the total vote cast for the office the candidate was seeking at the election; or any party that has organized according to all the requirements of chapter 16.1-03 must be provided with a separate column on primary election ballots.

Any other political organization is entitled to endorse candidates or have candidates petition to be included on the primary ballot in a consolidated column or on a special election ballot, if a petition signed by at least seven thousand qualified electors of this state is filed with the secretary of state before four p.m. of the sixtieth day before a primary or special election, naming the political organization, stating the platform principles of the party, and requesting the names of its candidates to be included on the state's primary ballot in a consolidated column. If the petition is mailed, it must be in the possession of the secretary of state before four p.m. on the sixtieth day prior to a primary or special election. Candidates of that party are entitled to the same rights and privileges as those of other parties. Petitions circulated according to this section must be filed with the secretary of state in accordance with section 1-01-50.

A political organization that had printed on the ballot at the last preceding presidential election the names of a set of presidential electors pledged to the election of the party's candidates for president and vice president or a candidate for governor and those candidates for presidential electors or governor received at least five percent of the total vote cast for presidential electors or the office of governor within this state at that election are entitled to organize according to the requirements of chapter 16.1-03."

Page 11, after line 16, insert:

**"SECTION 16. AMENDMENT.** Section 44-02-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**44-02-05. Vacancy in board of county commissioners - How filled.** When a vacancy occurs in the board of county commissioners, the remaining members of the

board, with the district judge selected by the remaining county commissioners, immediately shall appoint some suitable person to fill the vacancy from the district in which the vacancy occurred. If a majority of the officers fails to agree upon a person to fill the vacancy, the county treasurer or, if the county does not have an elected treasurer, another elective county officer must be called in and shall act as an additional member of the board to fill the vacancy. The appointee holds office until the appointee's successor is elected at the next general election that occurs at least sixty days after the vacancy and the successor has qualified.

**SECTION 17. AMENDMENT.** Section 44-02-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**44-02-08. Appointment to be made in writing - Term.** Any appointment to fill a vacancy under ~~the provisions of~~ this chapter must be made in writing, and, except as otherwise expressly provided by law, continues in force until the first general election ~~thereafter~~ that occurs at least sixty days after the vacancy, when the vacancy will be filled by election, and thereafter until the appointee's successor by election is qualified."

Renumber accordingly