

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT APPROVED

CHAPTER 620

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3069

(Representatives Carlson, Belter, Devlin)

(Senators Flakoll, O'Connell, Wardner)

INITIATIVE MEASURE FISCAL IMPACT

A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 2 of article III of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to granting the legislative assembly the authority to provide a procedure for determining the fiscal impact of initiative measures.

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This measure authorizes the legislative assembly to provide for by law a procedure for determining the fiscal impact of initiative measures.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

That the following proposed amendment to section 2 of article III of the Constitution of North Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at the primary election to be held in 2004, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota.

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 2 of article III of the Constitution of North Dakota is amended and reenacted as follows:

Section 2. A petition to initiate or to refer a measure ~~shall~~ **must** be presented to the secretary of state for approval as to form. A request for approval ~~shall~~ **must** be presented over the names and signatures of twenty-five or more electors as sponsors, one of whom ~~shall~~ **must** be designated as chairman of the sponsoring committee. The secretary of state shall approve the petition for circulation if it is in proper form and contains the names and addresses of the sponsors and the full text of the measure.

The legislative assembly may provide by law for a procedure through which the legislative council may establish an appropriate method for determining the fiscal impact of an initiative measure and for making the information regarding the fiscal impact of the measure available to the public.

Approved June 8, 2004

54,048 to 23,812

NOTE: This was measure No. 2 on the 2004 primary election ballot.