

Fifty-eighth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3049

Introduced by

Representative Warnke

Senator Mathern

1 A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 4 of article XI of the Constitution of North
2 Dakota, relating to oaths of office of elected officials.

3 STATEMENT OF INTENT

4 This amendment provides that members of the executive branch are required to take the oath
5 prescribed by this section.

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE HOUSE OF 7 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

8 That the following proposed amendment to section 4 of article XI of the Constitution of
9 North Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at
10 the general election to be held in 2004, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the
11 Constitution of North Dakota.

12 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 4 of article XI of the Constitution of North Dakota
13 is amended and reenacted as follows:

14 **Section 4.** Members of the legislative assembly and the executive and judicial
15 department branches, except such inferior officers as may be by law exempted ~~shall~~, before
16 ~~they~~ the members enter on the duties of their respective offices, shall take and subscribe the
17 following oath or affirmation: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm as the case may be) that I will
18 support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of North Dakota;
19 and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of _____ according to the best of
20 my ability, so help me God" (if an oath), (under pains and penalties of perjury) if an affirmation,
21 and ~~no~~ any other oath, declaration, or test ~~shall~~ may not be required as a qualification for any
22 office or public trust.