

Fifty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.

Introduced by

Representative Winrich

1 A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 10 of article V of the Constitution of North
2 Dakota, relating to the threatened use of the governor's veto power.

3 STATEMENT OF INTENT

4 This measure would remove the prohibition on the threatened use of the governor's veto power.

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

7 That the following proposed amendment to section 10 of article V of the Constitution of
8 North Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at
9 the primary election to be held in 2006, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the
10 Constitution of North Dakota.

11 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 10 of article V of the Constitution of North Dakota
12 is amended and reenacted as follows:

13 **Section 10.** A governor who asks, receives, or agrees to receive any bribe upon any
14 understanding that the governor's official opinion, judgment, or action shall be influenced
15 thereby, or who gives or offers, or promises the governor's official influence in consideration
16 that any member of the legislative assembly shall give the member's official vote or influence on
17 any particular side of any question or matter upon which the member may be required to act in
18 the member's official capacity, ~~or who menaces any member by the threatened use of the~~
19 ~~governor's veto power,~~ or who offers or promises any member that the governor will appoint
20 any particular person or persons to any office created or thereafter to be created, in
21 consideration that any member shall give the member's official vote or influence on any matter
22 pending or thereafter to be introduced into either house of the legislative assembly, or who
23 threatens any member that the governor will remove any person or persons from office or
24 position with intent in any manner to influence the action of that member, must be punished in

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- 1 the manner now, or that may hereafter be, provided by law, and upon conviction thereof forfeits
- 2 all right to hold or exercise any office of trust or honor in this state.