

Fifty-eighth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE CONCURRENT  
RESOLUTION NO. 4017

Introduced by

Senators Stenehjem, Andrist, Heitkamp

Representatives Belter, Boucher, Brusegaard

1 A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 18 of article X of the Constitution of North  
2 Dakota, relating to the giving of credit or donations by the state and political subdivisions.

3 **STATEMENT OF INTENT**

4 This measure removes the prohibition on the state and political subdivisions from making loans  
5 or donations to aid individuals, associations, or corporations.

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 18 of article X of the Constitution of  
9 North Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at  
10 the primary 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 18 of article X of the Constitution of North Dakota  
13 is amended and reenacted as follows:

14 **Section 18.** The state, any county, or a city may make internal improvements and may  
15 engage in any industry, enterprise, or business, ~~not prohibited by article XX of the constitution,~~  
16 ~~but neither the state nor any political subdivision thereof shall otherwise loan or give its credit or~~  
17 ~~make donations to or in aid of any individual, association or corporation except for reasonable~~  
18 ~~support of the poor, nor~~ and may subscribe to or become the owner of capital stock in any  
19 association or corporation.