

Sixty-first
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 3047

Introduced by

Representatives Myxter, Boucher, Mock

Senators Bakke, O'Connell, Taylor

1 A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 4 of article V of the Constitution of North
2 Dakota, relating to the qualifications of certain state officials; and to provide an effective date.

3 **STATEMENT OF INTENT**

4 This measure sets forth the qualifications of certain state officials and provides that this change
5 will take effect on November 6, 2012.

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

8 That the following proposed amendment to section 4 of article V 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 2010, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the
11 Constitution of North Dakota.

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

14 **Section 4.** To be eligible to hold an elective office established by this article, ~~a person~~
15 an individual must be a qualified elector of this state, unless otherwise provided must be at
16 least twenty-five years of age on the day of the election, and must have been a resident of this
17 state for the five years preceding election to office.

18 1. To be eligible to hold the office of governor or lieutenant governor, ~~a person~~ an
19 individual must be at least thirty years old on the day of the election. ~~The attorney~~
20 ~~general must be licensed to practice law in this state, hold a master's degree in~~
21 business administration, and have ten years experience in business or
22 government.

23 2. To be eligible to hold the office of agriculture commissioner, an individual must
24 hold a master's degree and have ten years' experience in production agriculture or
25 in an agriculture-related business.

- 1 3. To be eligible to hold the office of attorney general, an individual must hold a
2 juris doctor degree, be licensed to practice law in this state, and have ten years'
3 experience in the legal profession.
- 4 4. To be eligible to hold the office of insurance commissioner, an individual must hold
5 a baccalaureate degree, be licensed to provide insurance products in this state,
6 and have five years' experience in the provision of insurance products.
- 7 5. To be eligible to hold the office of public service commissioner, an individual must
8 hold a baccalaureate degree in a field related to natural resources or in
9 engineering and have five years' experience in a business regulated by the public
10 service commission.
- 11 6. To be eligible to hold the office of secretary of state, an individual must hold a
12 master's degree in political science and have seven years' experience in
13 government, politics, or a related field.
- 14 7. To be eligible to hold the office of state auditor, an individual must hold a
15 baccalaureate degree, be licensed as a certified public accountant, and have
16 seven years' experience in the accounting profession.
- 17 8. To be eligible to hold the office of state treasurer, an individual must hold a
18 baccalaureate degree in business and have five years' experience in business.
- 19 9. To be eligible to hold the office of superintendent of public instruction, an individual
20 must be licensed to teach in this state by the education standards and practices
21 board, hold a doctoral degree, hold an administrator's credential on the day of the
22 election and throughout the superintendent's term of office and have ten years'
23 experience in the field of education.

24 **SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.** If approved by the voters, this measure becomes
25 effective on November 6, 2012.