

Sixty-third
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3039

Introduced by

Representatives K. Koppelman, Heller, Karls, Kiefert, B. Koppelman, Meier, Paur, Steiner,
Thoreson, Toman

Senators Berry, Hogue

1 A concurrent resolution to create and enact a new section to article IV of the Constitution of
2 North Dakota, relating to consideration by the legislative assembly of amendments to the United
3 States Constitution.

4 **STATEMENT OF INTENT**

5 This measure would prohibit the legislative assembly from considering for ratification or
6 permitting a process for ratification in North Dakota of any amendment to the United States
7 Constitution if the amendment was proposed by a "runaway" constitutional convention that
8 exceeded its scope of authority.

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

11 That the following proposed new section to article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota is
12 agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at the primary
13 election to be held in 2014, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of
14 North Dakota.

15 **SECTION 1.** A new section to article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota is created and
16 enacted as follows:

17 The legislative assembly may not consider, ratify, or permit a process for ratification ~~or~~
18 ratify in North Dakota of any amendment to the United States Constitution which has been
19 proposed by a convention called under article 5 of the United States Constitution if the
20 proposed amendment is beyond the scope of the convention as defined by the states that
21 called for the convening of the convention.