Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3047

Introduced by

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Representatives Carlson, K. Koppelman, Nathe, Vigesaa

Dakota, relating to the fiscal impact of initiated measures.

3	STATEMENT OF INTENT
4	This measure would require that initiated measures that are estimated to have a fiscal impact of
5	twenty million dollars or more must be placed on the general election ballot.
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 2 of article III of the Constitution of North
9	Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at the
10	general election to be held in 2016, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the
11	Constitution of North Dakota.
12	SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 2 of article III of the Constitution of North Dakota is
13	amended and reenacted as follows:
14	Section 2. A petition to initiate or to refer a measure must be presented to the secretary of
15	state for approval as to form. A request for approval must be presented over the names and
16	signatures of twenty-five or more electors as sponsors, one of whom must be designated as
17	chairman of the sponsoring committee. The secretary of state shall approve the petition for
18	circulation if it is in proper form and contains the names and addresses of the sponsors and the
19	full text of the measure.
20	The legislative assembly may provide by law for a procedure through which the legislative
21	council may establish an appropriate method for determining the fiscal impact of an
22	initiative initiated measure and for making the information regarding the fiscal impact of the
23	measure available to the public. If the legislative council determines the fiscal impact of an
24	initiated measure will be twenty million dollars or more during the next full biennium after the
25	measure is due to become effective and the secretary of state determines the petition includes
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A concurrent resolution to amend and reenact section 2 of article III of the Constitution of North

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- 1 the required number of signatures and qualifies to be placed on the ballot as provided under
- 2 this article, the secretary of state shall place the measure on the next general election ballot.