

Fifty-fifth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4005

Introduced by

Senator Lips

1 A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 13 of article VI of the Constitution of North
2 Dakota, relating to the filling of judicial vacancies.

3 **STATEMENT OF INTENT**

4 This amendment provides that a person appointed to fill a judicial vacancy shall serve for the
5 remainder of the term rather than to the next general election.

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 13 of article VI 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 1998, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the
11 Constitution of North Dakota.

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

14 **Section 13.** A judicial nominating committee ~~shall~~ must be established by law. ~~Any~~
15 ~~The governor shall fill any~~ vacancy in the office of supreme court justice or district court judge
16 ~~shall be filled by appointment by the governor~~ from a list of candidates nominated by the
17 committee, unless the governor calls a special election to fill the vacancy for the remainder of
18 the term. An appointment ~~shall continue until the next general election, when the office shall be~~
19 ~~filled by election~~ continues for the remainder of the term.