

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 2 of article III of the Constitution of North  
2 Dakota, relating to granting the legislative assembly the authority to provide a procedure for  
3 determining the fiscal impact of initiative measures.

4 **STATEMENT OF INTENT**

5 This measure authorizes the legislative assembly to provide for by law a procedure for  
6 determining the fiscal impact of initiative measures.

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

9 That the following proposed amendment to section 2 of article III of the Constitution of  
10 North Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at  
11 the primary election to be held in 2004, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the  
12 Constitution of North Dakota.

13 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 2 of article III of the Constitution of North Dakota  
14 is amended and reenacted as follows:

15 **Section 2.** A petition to initiate or to refer a measure ~~shall~~ must be presented to the  
16 secretary of state for approval as to form. A request for approval ~~shall~~ must be presented over  
17 the names and signatures of twenty-five or more electors as sponsors, one of whom ~~shall~~ must  
18 be designated as chairman of the sponsoring committee. The secretary of state shall approve  
19 the petition for circulation if it is in proper form and contains the names and addresses of the  
20 sponsors and the full text of the measure.

21 The legislative assembly may provide by law for a procedure through which the  
22 legislative council may establish an appropriate method for determining the fiscal impact of an  
23 initiative measure and for making the information regarding the fiscal impact of the measure  
24 available to the public.