

Sixty-seventh
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 4007

Introduced by

Senators Schaible, Klein, Luick

Representatives D. Johnson, Schmidt

1 A concurrent resolution ~~to amend and reenact section 3 of article IX of the Constitution of North~~
2 ~~Dakota, relating to the membership of the board of university and school lands.~~directing the
3 Legislative Management to consider studying the memberships of the Board of University and
4 School Lands and the Industrial Commission.

5 STATEMENT OF INTENT

6 ~~This measure adds the agriculture commissioner to the board of university and school lands.~~

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

9 ~~— That the following proposed amendment to section 3 of article IX of the Constitution of~~
10 ~~North Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at the~~
11 ~~general election to be held in 2022, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the~~
12 ~~Constitution of North Dakota.~~

13 ~~— **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 3 of article IX of the Constitution of North Dakota is~~
14 ~~amended and reenacted as follows:~~

15 ~~— **Section 3.** The superintendent of public instruction, governor, attorney general, secretary of~~
16 ~~state, and state treasurer, and agriculture commissioner comprise a board of commissioners, to~~
17 ~~be denominated the "board of university and school lands". Subject to the provisions of this~~
18 ~~article and any law that may be passed by the legislative assembly, the board has control of the~~
19 ~~appraisement, sale, rental, and disposal of all school and university lands, and the proceeds~~
20 ~~from the sale of such lands shall be invested as provided by law.~~

21 **WHEREAS,** the membership of the Board of University and School Lands overlaps partially
22 with the membership of the Industrial Commission; and

23 **WHEREAS,** potential conflicts of interest may arise for members of the board and
24 commission; and

1 WHEREAS, the membership of the Board of University and School Lands and the
2 membership of the Industrial Commission have not been studied or addressed for many years;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE
4 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

5 That the Legislative Management consider studying the membership of the Board of
6 University and School Lands and the membership of the Industrial Commission as the
7 memberships relate to any potential conflicts of interest; and

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the study include consideration of possible changes to
9 the composition of the membership of the Board of University and School Lands and
10 membership of the Industrial Commission relating to potential conflicts of interest, and include
11 consideration of possible changes to Article IX of the Constitution of North Dakota; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislative Management report its findings and
13 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
14 the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly.