

Introduced by

Senator Luick

1 A concurrent resolution to amend and reenact sections 1 and 3 of article II of the Constitution of  
2 North Dakota, relating to elective franchise for an election on a question related to property tax  
3 or bonding; and to provide an effective date.

4 **STATEMENT OF INTENT**

5 This measure allows an individual to vote in a political subdivision in which the individual owns  
6 property on a question related to property tax or bonding and provides these changes will take  
7 effect on August 1, 2027.

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

10 That the following proposed amendment to sections 1 and 3 of article II of the Constitution  
11 of North Dakota are agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota  
12 at the general election to be held in 2026, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the  
13 Constitution of North Dakota.

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

16 **Section 1.** The general election of the state shall be held biennially as provided by law.

17 1. Only a citizen of the United States, who has attained the age of eighteen years and  
18 who is a North Dakota resident, shall be a qualified elector. When an elector moves  
19 within the state, ~~he~~the elector shall be entitled to vote in the precinct from which ~~he~~the  
20 elector moves until ~~he~~the elector establishes voting residence in another precinct. The  
21 legislative assembly shall provide by law for the determination of residence for voting  
22 eligibility, other than physical presence. ~~No~~An elector ~~shall~~may not lose ~~his~~the elector's  
23 residency for voting eligibility solely by reason of ~~his~~the elector's absence from the  
24 state.

1        2. A citizen of the United States, who has attained the age of eighteen years and owns  
2            property in this state, may vote in an election on a question related to property tax or  
3            bonding in a political subdivision in which the individual owns property.

4        3. The legislative assembly shall provide by law for secrecy in voting, for absentee  
5            voting, for administration of elections and for the nomination of candidates.

6        **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 3 of article II of the Constitution of North Dakota is  
7            amended and reenacted as follows:

8        **Section 3.** Only a qualified elector may vote in any general, special, or primary election for  
9            a federal, statewide, state legislative, district, county, township, city, or school district office, or  
10          for a statewide, district, or political subdivision ballot measure. Except both a qualified elector  
11          and a property owner may vote in a political subdivision election on a question related to  
12          property tax or bonding, in the district in which the qualified elector or property owner owns  
13          property.

14        **SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.** If approved by the electors, this measure becomes  
15          effective on August 1, 2027.