

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3047

Page 1, line 1, after "resolution" replace the remainder of the resolution with "for the amendment of section 4 of article V of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to the qualifications of certain state officials; and to provide an effective date.

**STATEMENT OF INTENT**

This measure sets forth the qualifications of certain state officials and provides that this change will take effect on November 6, 2012.

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

That the following proposed amendment to section 4 of article V of the Constitution of North Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at the general election to be held in 2010, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota.

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 4 of article V of the Constitution of North Dakota is amended and reenacted as follows:

**Section 4.**

1. To be eligible to hold an elective office established by this article, ~~a person~~ an individual must be a qualified elector of this state, unless otherwise provided must be at least twenty-five years of age on the day of the election, and must have been a resident of this state for the five years preceding election to office.
  - a. To be eligible to hold the office of governor or lieutenant governor, ~~a person~~ an individual must be at least thirty years old on the day of the election. ~~The~~
  - b. To be eligible to hold the office of agriculture commissioner, an individual must hold a degree in a field related to agriculture or have been engaged in production agriculture for at least five years.
  - c. To be eligible to hold the office of attorney general, an individual must be licensed to practice law in this state.
  - d. To be eligible to hold the office of insurance commissioner, an individual must be licensed to practice law in this state or be licensed to provide insurance products in this state.
  - e. To be eligible to hold the office of public service commissioner, an individual must hold a degree in natural resources, engineering, or public administration, unless both other public service commissioners meet the requirements of this subsection.
  - f. To be eligible to hold the office of secretary of state, an individual must:

- (1) Hold a degree in business or public administration; or
- (2) Have served for one term as a member of the North Dakota legislative assembly or as a member of a board of county commissioners.
- g. To be eligible to hold the office of state auditor, an individual must be licensed to practice certified public accounting in this state.
- h. To be eligible to hold the office of state treasurer, an individual must:
  - (1) Hold a degree in business, finance, or public administration; or
  - (2) Have served for one term as a member of the North Dakota legislative assembly or as a member of a board of county commissioners.
- i. To be eligible to hold the office of tax commissioner, an individual must:
  - (1) Hold a degree in business, finance, or public administration; or
  - (2) Have served for one term as a member of the North Dakota legislative assembly or as a member of a board of county commissioners.
- j. To be eligible to hold the office of superintendent of public instruction, an individual must be licensed to teach in this state.
- 2. Subdivision b and subdivisions d through j of subsection 1 do not apply to individuals who were:
  - a. Elected or appointed to their respective offices before November 6, 2012; and
  - b. Reelected, or elected if appointed, to their respective offices after November 5, 2012.

**SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.** If approved by the voters, this measure becomes effective on November 6, 2012."

Renumber accordingly