# CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, DISAPPROVED

## CHAPTER 697

#### LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE AND AUTHORITY

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4004, chapter 606, 1977 Session Laws, proposed by the Forty-fifth Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota, providing for the repeal of sections 60, 62, 180, and 181 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, relating to deadlines for the introduction of bills in the legislature and the contents of the general appropriation bill, the levy and collection of a poll tax, and the general powers of the legislature regarding tax matters.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. REPEAL.) Sections 60, 62, 180, and 181 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota are hereby repealed.

Disapproved September 5, 1978

35,313 to 38,512

NOTE: This was constitutional measure No. 1 on the primary election ballot.

# STATE REVENUE LIMITATION

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4012, chapter 608, 1977 Session Laws, proposed by the Forty-fifth Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota, providing for the amendment of section 174 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, relating to the raising of revenue on an ad valorem basis.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.) Section 174 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota is hereby amended and reeacted to read as follows:

Section 174. The legislative assembly shall provide for raising revenue sufficient to defray the expenses of the state for each year, not to exceed in any one year when raising revenues based upon an ad valorem tax on property, four mills on the dollar of the valuation of all taxable property in the state, to be ascertained by the last assessment made for state and county purposes, and also a sufficient sum to pay the interest on the state debt.

Disapproved September 5, 1978

18,110 to 56,755

NOTE: This was constitutional measure No. 3 on the primary election ballot.

#### POLITICAL SUBDIVISION BONDING LIMITS

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4013, chapter 609, 1977 Session Laws, proposed by the Forty-fifth Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota, providing for the amendment of section 183 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, relating to bonding limitations of political subdivisions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.) Section 183 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 183. The debt of any county, township, city, town, school district, or any other political subdivision, shall never exceed eight percent upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, except any incorporated city may, by a two-thirds vote, increase such indebtedness three percent on such assessed value beyond said eight percent limit, and a school district, by a majority vote may increase such indebtedness five percent on such assessed value beyond said eight percent limit. Any county or city by a majority vote may issue bonds upon any revenue-producing utility owned by such county or city, or for the purchasing or acquiring the same or building or establishment thereof, in amounts not exceeding the physical value of such utility, industry, or enterprise.

In estimating the indebtedness which a city, county, township, school district, or any other political subdivision may incur, the entire amount, exclusive of the bonds upon said revenue-producing utilities, whether contracted prior or subsequent to the adoption of this Constitution, shall be included, except any incorporated city may become indebted in any amount not exceeding four percent of such assessed value without regard to the existing indebtedness of such city for the purpose of constructing or purchasing waterworks for furnishing a supply of water to the inhabitants of such city, or for the purpose of constructing sewers, and for no other purposes whatever. All bonds and obligations in excess of the amount of indebtedness permitted by this Constitution, given by any city, county, township, town, school district, or any other political subdivision shall be void.

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24,459 to 48,974

NOTE: This was constitutional measure No. 4 on the primary election ballot.

#### CORPORATE AUTHORITY

House Concurrent Resolution No. 3006, chapter 604, 1977 Session Laws, proposed by the Forty-fifth Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota, providing for the repeal of sections 132, 133, 137, 138, 140, 141, 143, 144, and 145 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, relating to the charters of corporations in existence at the time the Constitution took effect, the authorized business of a corporation, the issuance of stocks and bonds by a corporation, the operating conditions for railroad corporations, the definition of a corporation, and notes and bills circulated by banks.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. REPEAL.) Sections 132, 133, 137, 138, 140, 141, 143, 144, and 145 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota are hereby repealed.

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27,933 to 43,985

NOTE: This was constitutional measure No. 7 on the primary election ballot.

#### SALARIES OF PUBLIC OFFICERS

House Concurrent Resolution No. 3015, chapter 605, 1977 Session Laws, proposed by the Forty-fifth Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota, providing for the amendment of section 84 of the North Dakota Constitution, relating to the salaries of public officers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.) Section 84 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 84. Salaries of public officers shall be as prescribed by law, but the salaries of any of the said officers shall not be diminished during the period for which they shall have been elected. All fees and profits arising from any of the said offices shall be deposited in the state treasury.

Disapproved September 5, 1978

34,185 to 41,539

NOTE: This was constitutional measure No. 8 on the primary election ballot.