

INITIATED MEASURE APPROVED

CHAPTER 565

ELECTION OF COUNTY OFFICERS

An initiated measure for the amendment of section 8 of article VII of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to requiring elected county officers be elected in the jurisdiction they serve, requiring candidates for elective county office be residents at the time of election, and requiring sheriffs be elected.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 8 of article VII of the Constitution of North Dakota is amended and reenacted as follows:

Section 8. Each county shall provide for law enforcement, administrative and fiscal services, recording and registration services, educational services, and any other governmental services or functions as may be provided by law. Any elective ~~county~~ office provided for by the counties shall be for a term of four years. Elective officers shall be elected by the electors in the jurisdiction in which the elected officer is to serve. A candidate for election must be a resident in the jurisdiction in which they are to serve at the time of the election. The office of sheriff shall be elected.

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NOTE: This was measure No. 2 on the general election ballot.