

Introduced by

1 A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 9 of article III of the Constitution of North
2 Dakota, relating to the number of signatures required on a petition to initiate a constitutional
3 amendment.

4 **STATEMENT OF INTENT**

5 This measure changes the number of signatures required on a petition to initiate a constitutional
6 amendment from four percent of the resident population of the state to ten percent of the
7 number of votes cast for the office of governor at the preceding gubernatorial election.

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

10 That the following proposed amendment to section 9 of article III of the Constitution of North
11 Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at the
12 general election to be held in 2020, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the
13 Constitution of North Dakota.

14 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 9 of article III of the Constitution of North Dakota is
15 amended and reenacted as follows:

16 **Section 9.** A constitutional amendment may be proposed by initiative petition. If signed by
17 electors equal in number to ~~four~~ten percent of the resident population of the state at the last
18 ~~federal decennial census~~number of votes cast for the office of governor at the preceding
19 gubernatorial election, the petition may be submitted to the secretary of state. All other
20 provisions relating to initiative measures apply hereto.