

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, PROPOSED

CHAPTER 621

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4016
(Stroup, Nasset, Freed, Thane, Roen)

DEBT LIMITS OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 183 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, relating to the debt limits of political subdivisions.

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

That the following proposed amendment to section 183 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota is agreed to and shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state of North Dakota at the primary election to be held in 1972, in accordance with the provisions of section 202 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, as amended, provided, however, that this proposed amendment shall not be submitted to the electorate if the people of the state of North Dakota shall prior thereto approve a revision of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, as submitted by the Constitutional Convention, which provides for increased debt limitations for political subdivisions. The question of whether increased debt limitations have been provided for by an adopted revision shall be determined by the attorney general.

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, school district or any other political subdivision, shall never exceed eight per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein; provided that any incorporated city, may by a sixty percent vote, increase such indebtedness two per centum on such assessed value beyond said eight per centum limit, and a school district, by a majority vote may increase such indebtedness four percent on such assessed value beyond said eight per centum limit; provided also that 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; provided further that any incorporated city may become indebted in any amount not exceeding five per centum 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, school district, or any other political subdivision shall be void.

4
Filed March 31, 1971

CHAPTER 622

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3020
(Hickle, Bunker, Fleming, Patrick)

EIGHTEEN-YEAR-OLD VOTING

A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 121 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, relating to lowering of the voting age from twenty-one to eighteen.

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

That the following proposed amendment to section 121 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota is agreed to and shall be submitted to the qualified electors at the first statewide election that is held following the special election called to consider the proposals of the Constitutional Convention, provided, however, that this amendment shall not be submitted to the electorate if the attorney general shall determine that the Constitutional Convention has proposed an amendment or revision to the Constitution which would allow persons eighteen years of age and upwards to vote in all elections.

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.) Section 121 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 121. Every person of the age of eighteen or upwards who is a citizen of the United States, and who shall have resided in the state one year, and in the county ninety days, and in the precinct thirty days next preceding any election shall be a qualified elector at such election, provided that where a qualified elector moves from one precinct to another within the state, he shall be entitled to vote in the precinct from which he moves until he establishes his residence in the precinct to which he moves.

Filed March 31, 1971

CHAPTER 623

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3045
(Committee on Appropriations)

CONSTITUTIONAL STATUS OF
UND-ELLENDALE BRANCH

A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 216 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, and subsection 1 of article 54 of the amendments to the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, relating to the removal of the constitutional status of the Ellendale Branch of the University of North Dakota.

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

That the following proposed amendments to section 216 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, and subsection 1 of article 54 of the amendments to the Constitution of the state of North Dakota are agreed to and shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state of North Dakota at the primary election to be held in 1972, in accordance with the provisions of section 202 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota, as amended, provided that these proposed amendments shall not be submitted to the electorate if, prior to the time for submission, the Attorney General shall have determined that the Constitutional Convention shall have proposed and the electorate shall have accepted a revision or amendment to the Constitution of the state of North Dakota providing for removal of the constitutional status of the Ellendale Branch of the University of North Dakota.

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.) Section 216 of the Constitution of the state of North Dakota is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 216. The following named public institutions are hereby permanently located as hereinafter provided, each to have so much of the remaining grant of one hundred seventy thousand acres of land made by the United States for "other educational and charitable institutions" as is allotted by law, namely:

First: A soldiers' home, when located, or such other charitable institution as the legislative assembly may determine, at Lisbon, in the county of Ransom, with a grant of forty thousand acres of land.

Second: The blind asylum shall be known as the North Dakota school for the blind and may be removed from the county of Pembina to such other location as may be determined by the board of administration to be in the best interests of the students of such institution and the state of North Dakota.

Third: A school of forestry, or such other institution as the legislative assembly may determine, at such place in one of the counties of McHenry, Ward, Bottineau, or Rolette, as the electors of said counties may determine by an election for that purpose, to be held as provided by the legislative assembly.

Fourth: A scientific school or such other educational or charitable institution as the legislative assembly may prescribe, at the city of Wahpeton, county of Richland, with a grant of forty thousand acres.

Fifth: A state normal school at the city of Minot in the county of Ward.

Sixth: (a) A state normal school at the city of Dickinson, in the county of Stark. (b) A state hospital for the insane at such place within this state as shall be selected by the legislative assembly, provided, that no other institution of a character similar to any one of those located by this article shall be established or maintained without a revision of this Constitution.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.) Subsection 1 of article 54 of the amendments to the Constitution of the state of North Dakota is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

1. A board of higher education, to be officially known as the State Board of Higher Education, is hereby created for the control and administration of the following state educational institutions, to-wit:

(1) The State University and School of Mines, at Grand Forks, with their substations.

(2) The State Agricultural College and Experiment Station, at Fargo, with their substations.

(3) The School of Science, at Wahpeton.

(4) The State Normal Schools and Teachers Colleges, at Valley City, Mayville, Minot, and Dickinson.

(5) The School of Forestry, at Bottineau.

(6) And such other State institutions of higher education as may hereafter be established.