

NORTH DAKOTA STATEWIDE

BALLOT MEASURE INFORMATION

> 2026 PRIMARY ELECTION



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> PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2026

This guide provides information about a statewide measure that will appear on the 2026 Primary Election ballot. It has information on what a vote for or against means, and the fiscal impact of the measure.

> CONSTITUTIONAL MEASURE NO. 1

- Placed on the ballot by the North Dakota Legislature
- To be voted on in the June 9, 2026, Primary Election where a majority vote would result in passage

The 2025 North Dakota Legislature passed Senate Concurrent Resolution 4007 which placed Constitutional Measure No. 1 on the ballot for a vote of the people. The measure seeks to amend two articles of the North Dakota Constitution (Article III, Section 9; and Article IV, Section 16) related to initiated petitions and ballot measures.

The constitutional ballot measure seeks to require changes proposed to the North Dakota Constitution be limited to a single subject. A "single subject" is intended to prevent the combination of unrelated topics to ensure voters can make clear choices when voting. All changes proposed to the North Dakota Constitution must be voted on by the people.

The Secretary of State would determine if any constitutional amendment brought through a petition process was single subject; the Legislative Assembly would limit proposed constitutional amendments brought during a legislative session to a single subject.

> WHAT YOUR VOTE MEANS

YES A "YES" vote on Constitutional Measure No. 1 means that future initiated petitions and ballot measures for changes to the North Dakota Constitution would be limited to one subject area.

NO A "NO" vote on Constitutional Measure No. 1 means that future initiated petitions and ballot measures for the North Dakota Constitution could contain changes for multiple subject areas and not be limited to one subject.

> FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated fiscal impact of this measure is none.

YES A YES vote would APPROVE amending the North Dakota Constitution as proposed.

NO A NO vote would make NO CHANGE to the North Dakota Constitution.

WHAT ARE STATEWIDE CONSTITUTIONAL BALLOT MEASURES?



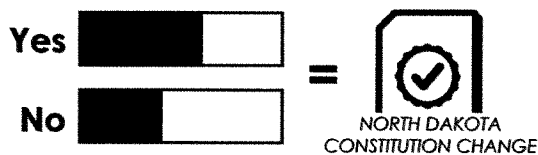
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➤ CONSTITUTIONAL BALLOT MEASURES CHANGE THE CONSTITUTION

The North Dakota Constitution can only be changed through a ballot measure brought to a vote of the people.

Constitutional ballot measures can be brought by either:

- **An initiated petition** – citizens seek ballot access to change the North Dakota Constitution by gathering signatures from 4% of North Dakota qualified voters – a total of 31,164 signatures. If enough qualified signatures are gathered, the petition becomes a ballot measure voted on in the next election.
- **A majority vote of the North Dakota Legislature** – a concurrent resolution to change the North Dakota Constitution can be brought during a legislative session and must have a simple majority vote of the North Dakota Legislature to be placed on the ballot in an upcoming election.



IF CONSTITUTIONAL MEASURE NO. 1 RECEIVES GREATER THAN 50% OF THE VOTE IT WILL CHANGE THE NORTH DAKOTA CONSTITUTION.

HOW CONSTITUTIONAL MEASURE NO. 1 WILL APPEAR ON THE JUNE 9, PRIMARY BALLOT

MEASURES BALLOT

Vote by darkening the oval (●) next to the word "YES" or "NO" following the explanation of each measure

Constitutional Measure No. 1 (Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4007, 2025 Session Laws, Ch. 615)

This constitutional measure would amend and reenact section 9 of article III and section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to requiring each resolution adopted by the legislative assembly proposing a constitutional amendment and each initiative petition and measure proposing a constitutional amendment be comprised of a single subject. The proposed amendment is summarized as follows: constitutional amendments would be limited to one subject. The Secretary of State shall not approve an initiative petition for circulation if the Secretary determines that the proposed amendment comprises more than one subject. Additionally, the legislative assembly is required to limit proposed amendments to the constitution to one subject.

The estimated fiscal impact of this measure is none.

- YES- Means you approve the measure summarized above.
- NO - Means you reject the measure summarized above.

POLLING LOCATIONS & ABSENTEE

To vote you must be at least 18 years old, a U.S. citizen, and have lived in North Dakota for 30 days prior to Election Day.

Find information on where you vote at vote.nd.gov.

- You can vote by **absentee**, or by **mail**.
- You can vote at an **early** voting location.
- You can vote on **Election Day**.



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VOTER IDENTIFICATION

You need one of the following forms of ID to vote:

- North Dakota Driver's License
- North Dakota Non-Driver ID
- Tribal ID or Tribal Letter
- Long Term Care Certificate

Identification, tribal government IDs, or documents should have your **name, residential address, and date of birth**.

**OFFICIAL BALLOT LANGUAGE
FOR MEASURES APPEARING ON THE BALLOT
JUNE 9, 2026**

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**Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4007
(Senators Hogue, Klein, Dever)
(Representatives Klemin, Lefor, Weisz)**

A concurrent resolution to amend and reenact section 9 of article III and section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to requiring each resolution adopted by the legislative assembly proposing a constitutional amendment and each initiative petition and measure proposing a constitutional amendment to be comprised of a single subject.

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This measure would require each resolution adopted by the legislative assembly proposing a constitutional amendment and each initiative petition and measure proposing a constitutional amendment to be comprised of a single subject.

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

That the following proposed amendments to section 9 of article III and section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota are agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at the primary election to be held in June of 2026, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota.

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

Section 9. A constitutional amendment may be proposed by initiative petition. The proposed amendment may not embrace or be comprised of more than one subject, as determined by the secretary of state, and the secretary of state may not approve the initiative petition for circulation if the proposed amendment comprises more than one subject. If signed by electors equal in number to four percent of the resident population of the state at the last federal decennial census, the petition may be submitted to the secretary of state. All other provisions relating to initiative measures apply hereteto initiative measures for constitutional amendments.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota is amended and reenacted as follows:

Section 16. Any amendment to this constitution may be proposed in either house of the legislative assembly, ~~and if~~. The proposed amendment may not embrace or be comprised of more than one subject. If agreed to upon a roll call by a majority of the members elected to each house, must be submitted to the electors and if a majority of the votes cast thereon upon the question are in the affirmative, the amendment is a part of this constitution.

Kyle Durrant
President of the Senate

Robi Weing
Speaker of the House

Shanda Mays
Secretary of the Senate

Bruce J. Reich
Chief Clerk of the House

Filed in this office this 29th day of April, 2025,
at 10:13 o'clock A M.

Michael Howe
Secretary of State

**ANALYSES OF THE STATEWIDE MEASURES
APPEARING ON THE ELECTION BALLOT
JUNE 9, 2026**

The following analysis is for the measure appearing on the statewide Primary Election ballot on June 9, 2026. This publication is required by section 16.1-01-07 of the North Dakota Century Code to enable voters to become familiar with the effect of proposed measures. The full text of each measure is available on the Office of the Secretary of State's website at vote.nd.gov or by requesting a copy from the Elections Division at 701-328-4146, or from the office of any County Auditor.

In addition, as required by section 16.1-01-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, a copy of the Legislative Council's report on the estimated fiscal impact of initiated Measures No. 1 is available on the Office of the Secretary of State's website at vote.nd.gov, by phone at 701-328-4146, by email at soselect@nd.gov, or by letter to Secretary of State, 600 E Boulevard Avenue Dept 108, Bismarck ND 58505-0500.

**Analysis of Initiated Constitutional Measure No. 1
(Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4007, 2025 Session Laws, Ch. 615)**

Initiated Constitutional Measure No. 1 was placed on the ballot by action of the 2025 North Dakota Legislative Assembly with passage of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4007 (2025 Session Laws, Chapter 610). If approved, this constitutional measure would amend and reenact section 9 of article III and section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to requiring each resolution adopted by the legislative assembly proposing a constitutional amendment and each initiative petition and measure proposing a constitutional amendment be comprised of a single subject. The proposed amendment would require constitutional amendments to be limited to one subject. The Secretary of State shall not approve an initiative petition for circulation if the Secretary determines that the proposed amendment comprises more than one subject. Additionally, the legislative assembly is required to limit proposed amendments to the constitution to one subject.

The estimated fiscal impact of this measure is none.

Voting "YES" means you approve the measure summarized above. Voting "NO" means you reject the measure summarized above.