

**INITIATIVE PETITION
TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE,
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**

We, the undersigned, being qualified electors request the following initiated law be placed on the ballot as provided by law.

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PETITION TITLE

This initiated measure would amend section 34-06-22 of the North Dakota Century Code by increasing the state minimum wage from \$7.25 per hour to \$9.83 per hour, effective July 24, 2019; to \$12.41 per hour, effective July 24, 2020; to \$15.00 per hour, effective January 1, 2021; and, starting July 24, 2021 and annually thereafter, to a wage adjusted by the increase in the cost of living based on the consumer price index.

FULL TEXT OF THE MEASURE

IF MATERIAL IS UNDERSCORED, IT IS NEW MATERIAL WHICH IS BEING ADDED. IF MATERIAL IS OVERSTRUCK BY DASHES, THE MATERIAL IS BEING DELETED. IF MATERIAL IS NOT UNDERSCORED OR OVERSTRUCK, THE MATERIAL IS EXISTING LAW THAT IS NOT BEING CHANGED.

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

AN INITIATIVE to amend and reenact section 34-06-22 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the state's minimum wage.

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.

Section 34-06-22 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

34-06-22. State minimum wage rate.

1. Except as otherwise provided under this chapter and rules adopted by the commissioner, every employer shall pay to each of the employer's employees:
 - a. Effective July 24, ~~2007~~2019, a wage of at least ~~five dollars and eighty-five~~ nine dollars and eighty-three cents per hour;
 - b. Effective July 24, ~~2008~~2020, a wage of at least ~~six dollars and fifty-five~~ twelve dollars and forty-one cents per hour;
~~and~~
 - c. Effective ~~July 24, 2009~~January 1, 2021, a wage of at least ~~seven dollars and twenty-five cents~~ fifteen dollars per hour.
~~and~~
 - d. Commencing July 24, 2021 and annually thereafter, a wage identified by the North Dakota Commissioner of Labor which is adjusted by the increase, if any, in the cost of living.
2. Annually, the Commissioner of Labor shall adjust the wage as provided under subsection 1.
 - a. The Commissioner shall calculate the increase in the cost of living by measuring the percentage increase as of August of the immediately preceding year over the level as measured as of August of the previous year, the consumer price index for all urban consumers (all items, United States city average) as published by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics of the department of labor, with the amount of the minimum wage increase, if any, rounded up to the nearest five cents.
 - b. By October 15 of each year, the North Dakota Commissioner of Labor shall publish the adjusted minimum wage for the upcoming year on the Commissioners' internet home page.
3. This section does not limit the authority of the Commissioner to adopt rules establishing a state minimum wage rate that differs from the rates established under subsection 1.

INSTRUCTIONS TO PETITION SIGNERS

You are being asked to sign a petition. You must be a qualified elector. This means you are eighteen years old, you have lived in North Dakota thirty days, and you are a United States citizen. All signers shall also legibly print their name, complete residential address or rural route or general delivery address, and the date of signing on the petition. Every qualified elector signing a petition must do so in the presence of the individual circulating the petition.

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State of North Dakota

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(county where signed)

I, _____, being sworn, say that I am a qualified elector; that I reside at
(circulator)

(address);

that each signature contained on the attached petition was executed in my presence; and that to the best of my knowledge and belief each individual whose signature appears on the attached petition is a qualified elector; and that each signature contained on the attached petition is the genuine signature of the individual whose name it purports to be.

(signature of circulator)

Subscribed and sworn to before me on _____, 20____, at _____, North Dakota
(city)

(Notary Stamping Device)

(signature of notarial officer)