Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2011

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3009
(Representatives Conklin, Koppelman)
(Senators Mathern, Warner)

A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 4 of article XI of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to oaths of office of elected and appointed officials.

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This amendment provides that members of the executive branch are required to take the oath prescribed by this section.

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

That the following proposed amendment to section 4 of article XI of the Constitution of North Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at the general election to be held in 2012, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota.

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 4 of article XI of the Constitution of North Dakota is amended and reenacted as follows:

Section 4. Members of the legislative assembly and the executive and judicial ~~department~~branches, except such inferior officers as may be by law exempted ~~shall~~, before they enter on the duties of their respective offices, shall take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm as the case may be) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of North Dakota; and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of _____ according to the best of my ability, so help me God" (if an oath), (under pains and penalties of perjury) if an affirmation, and ~~no~~any other oath, declaration, or test ~~shall~~may not be required as a qualification for any office or public trust.