

**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.

**SPONSORING COMMITTEE**

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**PETITION TITLE**

This initiated measure would add a new section to article I of the North Dakota Constitution preventing the government from burdening the sincere exercise of religious liberty by a person or religious organization, absent proof of a compelling governmental interest, and then only by use of the least restrictive means.

**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:**

**SECTION 1.** A new section to Article I of the Constitution of North Dakota is created and enacted as follows:

Government may not burden a person's or religious organization's religious liberty. The right to act or refuse to act in a manner motivated by a sincerely held religious belief may not be burdened unless the government proves it has a compelling governmental interest in infringing the specific act or refusal to act and has used the least restrictive means to further that interest. A burden includes indirect burdens such as withholding benefits, assessing penalties, or an exclusion from programs or access to facilities.

**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 must add their complete residential address or rural route or general delivery address and the date of signing. Every qualified elector signing a petition must do so in the presence of the individual circulating the petition.

**QUALIFIED ELECTORS**

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA )  
)ss.  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
(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 SEAL / STAMP)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature of notary)  
Notary Public  
My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_