

# State of South Dakota

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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1004

Introduced by: Representatives Jensen, Bolin, Boomgarden, Brunner, Deelstra, Greenfield, Haggar, Hansen (Jon), Hickey, Hoffman, Hubbel, Kopp, Liss, Magstadt, Miller, Munsterman, Nelson (Stace), Olson (Betty), Schaefer, Solum, Steele, Stricherz, Tornow, Tulson, Van Gerpen, Vanneman, Verchio, and Willadsen and Senators Rhoden, Kraus, Lederman, Maher, and Schlekeway

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION, Proposing and submitting to the electors at the next general election  
2 an amendment to Article V, section 1 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota  
3 relating to prohibiting the application of international law, the law of foreign nations, and  
4 certain foreign religious or moral codes in the state courts of South Dakota.

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF SOUTH  
6 DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

7 Section 1. That at the next general election held in the state, the following amendment to  
8 Article V, section 1 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, as set forth in section 2 of  
9 this Joint Resolution, which is hereby agreed to, shall be submitted to the electors of the state  
10 for approval.

11 Section 2. That Article V, section 1 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, be  
12 amended to read as follows:

13 § 1. The judicial power of the state is vested in a unified judicial system consisting of a



1 Supreme Court, circuit courts of general jurisdiction and courts of limited original jurisdiction  
2 as established by the Legislature. No such court may apply international law, the law of any  
3 foreign nation, or any foreign religious or moral code with the force of law in the adjudication  
4 of any case under its jurisdiction.