

2021 South Dakota Legislature

House Joint Resolution 5003

HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS ENGROSSED

Introduced by: **Representative** Hansen

A JOINT RESOLUTION, Proposing and submitting to the voters at the next general election a new section to Article XI of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, relating to a three-fifths requirement for certain initiated constitutional amendments or measures.

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

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

Section 2. That Article XI of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, be amended byadding a NEW SECTION to read:

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§16. Initiated constitutional amendments or measures--Taxes or fees--

- 14 **Certain funding obligations--Vote required.**
- 15 Any initiated constitutional amendment, initiated measure, constitutional 16 amendment referred to the people by the Legislature, or measure referred to the people 17 by the Legislature that imposes or increases taxes or fees, and any initiated constitutional 18 amendment, initiated measure, constitutional amendment referred to the people by the 19 Legislature, or measure referred to the people by the Legislature that obligates the state 20 to appropriate funds of ten million dollars or more in any of the first five fiscal years after 21 enactment, to be annually adjusted for inflation as determined by the Legislature, shall 22 become part of the Constitution or statute, respectively, only if approved by three-fifths 23 of the votes cast thereon.