

2025 South Dakota Legislature  
**House Joint Resolution 5003**

**AMENDMENT HJR5003D  
FOR THE HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS ENGROSSED RESOLUTION**

1 **A JOINT RESOLUTION, Proposing and submitting to the voters at the next general**  
2 **election an amendment to the Constitution of the State of South Dakota,**  
3 **requiring that a constitutional amendment receive an affirmative vote of at**  
4 **least sixty percent of the votes cast before the measure is enacted.**

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

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

10 **Section 2. That Article XXIII, § 3 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota,**  
11 **be AMENDED:**

12 **§ 3.** ~~Any~~A constitutional amendment or revision must be submitted to the voters  
13 and ~~shall become~~ becomes a part of the Constitution only ~~when~~ if approved by ~~a majority~~  
14 ~~of the votes cast thereon~~ an affirmative vote of at least sixty percent of the votes cast on  
15 the question. The Legislature may provide for the withdrawal ~~by its sponsors~~ of an initiated  
16 amendment, by its sponsors, at any time prior to its submission to the voters.

17 **Section 3.** This amendment becomes a part of the Constitution only if approved by an  
18 affirmative vote of at least sixty percent of the votes cast on the question.

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