

A JOINT RESOLUTION, Proposing and submitting to the electors at the next general election an amendment to Article IX of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, authorizing local initiatives to provide for the cooperation and organization of local government.

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

Section 1. That at the next general election held in the state, the following amendments to Article IX of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, as set forth in section 2, of this Joint Resolution, and section 2 of this Joint Resolution establishing an effective date of January 1, 1999, which are hereby agreed to, shall be submitted to the electors of the state for approval.

Section 2. That Article IX of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read as follows:

§ 4. The voters of any unit of local government shall have the right to initiate proposals for cooperation within or between governmental units, either within or without the state, except as the Legislature shall provide otherwise by law. Such proposals may include combining, eliminating, and joint financing of offices, functions, and governmental units. Such proposals shall be adopted if approved at an election by a majority of the votes cast thereon in each affected unit. A number not less than ten percent of those voting in the last preceding gubernatorial election in an affected jurisdiction may by petition initiate the question of whether to adopt the proposal. The Legislature by law shall provide procedures to ensure the orderly implementation of this section.

Section 3. The effective date of § 4 of Article IX of the Constitution is January 1, 1999.

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Chief Clerk

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Speaker of the House

Attest:

Chief Clerk

President of the Senate

Attest:

Secretary of the Senate

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