

State of South Dakota

EIGHTY-FIFTH SESSION
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2010

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3

Introduced by: Senators Knudson, Abdallah, Adelstein, Brown, Dempster, Fryslie, Gant, Garnos, Gray, Hansen (Tom), Haverly, Howie, Hunhoff (Jean), Nelson, Novstrup (Al), Olson (Russell), Rhoden, Schmidt, Tieszen, and Vehle and Representatives Faehn, Boomgarden, Brunner, Carson, Conzet, Deadrick, Greenfield, Hamiel, Juhnke, Kirkeby, Krebs, Lust, Moser, Novstrup (David), Olson (Betty), Olson (Ryan), Putnam, Rausch, Rave, Romkema, Rounds, Tidemann, Turbiville, and Van Gerpen

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION, Proposing and submitting to the electors at the next general election
2 an amendment to Article VI of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, relating to the
3 right of individuals to vote by secret ballot.

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

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

10 Section 2. That Article VI of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, be amended by
11 adding a NEW SECTION read as follows:

12 § 28. The rights of individuals to vote by secret ballot is fundamental. If any state or federal



- 1 law requires or permits an election for public office, for any initiative or referendum, or for any
- 2 designation or authorization of employee representation, the right of any individual to vote by
- 3 secret ballot shall be guaranteed.