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State of Minnesota  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION

H. F. No. 196

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, article IX, section 1;  
1.3 changing the method for amending the constitution.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

1.6 An amendment to the Minnesota Constitution is proposed to the people. If the  
1.7 amendment is adopted, article IX, section 1, will read:

1.8 Section 1. ~~A majority~~ Two-thirds of the members elected to each house of the legislature  
1.9 may propose amendments to this constitution. Proposed amendments shall be published  
1.10 with the laws passed at the same session and submitted to the people for their approval or  
1.11 rejection at a general election. If a majority of all the electors voting at the election vote to  
1.12 ratify an amendment, it becomes a part of this constitution. If two or more amendments  
1.13 are submitted at the same time, voters shall vote for or against each separately.

1.14 Sec. 2. SUBMISSION TO VOTERS.

1.15 The proposed amendment must be submitted to the people at the 2014 general  
1.16 election. The question submitted must be:

1.17 "Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to provide that a vote of two-thirds,  
1.18 rather than a majority, of the members of each house of the legislature is required to  
1.19 propose an amendment to the Constitution?

1.20 Yes .....

1.21 No .....