State of South Dakota

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1001

Introduced by: Representatives Feinstein, Ahlers, Cutler, Engels, Gillespie, Gosch, Hunt, Lust, and Nygaard and Senators Turbak Berry and Heidepriem

- 1 A JOINT RESOLUTION, To propose a constitutional amendment to repeal certain provisions 2 of the State Constitution relating to corporations.
- 3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF SOUTH
- 4 DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:
- 5 Section 1. That at the next general election held in the state, the following amendments to
- 6 Article XVII of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, as set forth in sections 2 to 4,
- 7 inclusive, of this Joint Resolution, which is hereby agreed to, shall be submitted to the electors
- 8 of the state for approval.
- 9 Section 2. That Article XVII, section 5 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, be
- 10 repealed.
- 11 § 5. In all elections for directors or managers of a corporation, each member or shareholder
- 12 may cast the whole number of his votes for one candidate, or distribute them upon two or more
- 13 candidates, as he may prefer.
- Section 3. That Article XVII, section 8 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, be
- 15 repealed.

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1 § 8. No corporation shall issue stocks or bonds except for money, labor done, or money or

- 2 property actually received; and all fictitious increase of stock or indebtedness shall be void. The
- 3 stock and indebtedness of corporations shall not be increased except in pursuance of general
- 4 law, nor without the consent of the persons holding the larger amount in value of the stock first
- 5 obtained, at a meeting to be held after sixty days notice given in pursuance of law.
- 6 Section 4. That Article XVII, section 19 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota,
- 7 be repealed.
- 8 § 19. The term "corporations," as used in this article, shall be construed to include all joint
- 9 stock companies or associations having any of the powers or privileges of corporations not
- 10 possessed by individuals or partnerships.