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**HOUSE BILL DRH30042-LUye-37**

Short Title: Constitutional Amendment/Repeal Literacy Test. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative T. Brown.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO REPEAL THE  
3 LITERACY TEST REQUIREMENT.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 4 of Article VI of the North Carolina Constitution is repealed.

6 **SECTION 2.** The amendment set out in Section 1 of this act shall be submitted to  
7 the qualified voters of the State at the statewide general election to be held on November 3, 2026,  
8 which election shall be conducted under the laws then governing elections in the State. Ballots,  
9 voting systems, or both may be used in accordance with Chapter 163 of the General Statutes. The  
10 question to be used in the voting systems and ballots shall be:

11 "[ ] FOR [ ] AGAINST

12 Constitutional amendment to remove the literacy test requirement for voting from the  
13 North Carolina Constitution. The federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 prohibits implementation of  
14 this requirement."

15 **SECTION 3.** The State Board of Elections shall certify the results of the referendum  
16 conducted under Section 2 of this act. If a majority of votes cast on the question are in favor of  
17 the amendment set out in Section 1 of this act, the Secretary of State shall enroll the amendment  
18 among the permanent records of that office. If a majority of votes cast on the question are against  
19 the amendment set out in Section 1 of this act, the amendment shall have no effect.

20 **SECTION 4.** If the certification from the State Board of Elections under Section 3  
21 of this act reflects that a majority of votes cast on the question are in favor of the amendment set  
22 out in Section 1 of this act, the amendment set out in Section 1 of this act is effective upon  
23 certification.

24 **SECTION 5.** Except as otherwise provided, this act is effective when it becomes  
25 law.

