

Delegate Proposal No. 134

Date: May 15, 1995

It is proposed that a constitutional amendment be prepared that does the following:

Adds a provision to the Constitution to cover the definition of "mutual consent" as used by the Covenant.

Provides that the consent of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands under the Covenant is to be expressed only by a declaration passed by both houses of the Legislature, signed by the Governor, and approved by the people by referendum under the same requirements as for the approval of an amendment to the Constitution by popular initiative.

(An amendment to the Constitution by popular initiative now requires a majority of the votes cast and at least two-thirds of the votes cast in each of two senatorial districts. Art. XVIII, Sec. 5(b))

Submitted by:

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CONSTITUTIONAL ARTICLE THAT WOULD BE AMENDED: Art. XVIII, adds a new Section 6

CONSTITUTIONAL ARTICLES THAT WOULD BE AFFECTED: None