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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill proposes a state constitutional amendment that would require future proposed state constitutional amendments be enacted by law.

The intended effect of this change would be to require approval or veto of proposed amendments by the governor, subject to the legislature's existing authority to override a governor's veto.

Ratification of this amendment would be subject to Minnesota's current procedures: legislative approval, by majority vote, and ratification by the people at a general election are required. Approval of the governor is not required. To be ratified, the proposed amendment must receive the affirmative vote of a majority of all voters voting at the election.

This proposed amendment would appear on the ballot at the 2016 state general election.

#### Section

- 1 Constitutional amendment proposed.** Provides the proposed new state constitutional text, as an amendment to Article IX, section 1, of the Minnesota Constitution.
- 2 Submission to voters.** Directs the proposed amendment to be submitted to the voters at the 2016 state general election, and specifies the wording of the question that must appear on the ballot at that election.