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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to elections; proposing an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution,  
1.3 article VII, section 1; lowering the voting age to 16 years in school district  
1.4 elections.

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

1.6 Section 1. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

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

1.9 Section 1. Every person 18 years of age or more or, in a school district election, every  
1.10 person 16 years of age or more, who has been a citizen of the United States for three  
1.11 months and who has resided in the precinct for 30 days next preceding an election shall  
1.12 be entitled to vote in that precinct. The place of voting by one otherwise qualified who  
1.13 has changed his residence within 30 days preceding the election shall be prescribed by  
1.14 law. The following persons shall not be entitled or permitted to vote at any election in this  
1.15 state: A person not meeting the above requirements; a person who has been convicted of  
1.16 treason or felony, unless restored to civil rights; a person under guardianship, or a person  
1.17 who is insane or not mentally competent.

1.18 Sec. 2. SUBMISSION TO VOTERS.

1.19 The proposed amendment must be submitted to the people at the 2008 general  
1.20 election. The question submitted must be:

2.1 "Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to lower the voting age to 16 years in  
2.2 school district elections?"

2.3 Yes .....  
2.4 No ....."