

Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly, State of North Dakota, begun in the Capitol in the City of Bismarck, on Monday, the sixth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3006
(Legislative Council)
(Budget Committee on Home and Community Care)

A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study long-term care financing issues to determine the changes necessary to develop alternative services and the feasibility of a managed care system for long-term care services.

WHEREAS, during the 1995-96 interim the Department of Human Services and the Department of Health formed a Task Force on Long-Term Care Planning and presented recommendations to the Legislative Council's Budget Committee on Home and Community Care and the Insurance and Health Care Committee regarding long-term care financing; and

WHEREAS, the Budget Committee on Home and Community Care supports the long-range goals of reducing the number of long-term care beds in North Dakota and of providing incentives to deliver alternative home and community-based services; and

WHEREAS, the current long-term care payment system should be reviewed to determine if some categories of nursing home residents could receive services in alternative, less costly settings; and

WHEREAS, a managed care program for long-term care services could result in the development of alternative care in a cost-efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, financial, regulatory, and other impediments may exist that prevent the development of alternative services to long-term care;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

That the Legislative Council study nursing facility and other residential care systems to determine the changes necessary to assist in the development of alternative services, the financial incentives necessary to encourage nursing facilities to reduce the number of beds and to develop alternative services, if some categories of long-term care residents could receive services in alternative, less costly settings and any related cost savings, and the feasibility of a managed care system for long-term care services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislative Council report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 1997,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State