

Fifty-fifth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4053

Introduced by

Senators LaFountain, Nalewaja, Robinson

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the prevention of and
2 dispositional alternatives to juvenile crime with a focus on services offered to American Indian
3 children.

4 **WHEREAS**, according to 1992 statistics, American Indian children represent seven
5 percent of all the children in North Dakota, but represent 28 percent of the children in juvenile
6 detention and 36 percent of the admissions to the North Dakota Youth Correctional Center; and

7 **WHEREAS**, dispositional alternatives to admission to the North Dakota Youth
8 Correctional Center include community service, employment, education, self-help groups, drug
9 and alcohol testing and treatment, house arrest, electronic monitoring, curfew, and supervision
10 sessions; and

11 **WHEREAS**, there are special problems concerning delinquency in the rural and tribal
12 areas of this state; and

13 **WHEREAS**, there is a need to identify and treat the problems of juveniles that enter the
14 juvenile justice system;

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

17 That the Legislative Council study the prevention of and dispositional alternatives to
18 juvenile crime with a focus on services offered to American Indian children; and

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