## 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

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4053 (Senators LaFountain, Nalewaja, Robinson)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 1997,

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

Secretary of State