

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4051

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the desirability of requiring that
2 a core curriculum be taught from kindergarten through grade 12; and if determined to be
3 desirable, to develop a core curriculum or endorse an existing core curriculum for delivery to
4 each North Dakota school child, regardless of where the child resides; and to determine the
5 desirability and feasibility of requiring the state to assume all costs of delivering that core
6 curriculum to each North Dakota school child.

7 **WHEREAS**, the Constitution of North Dakota states that the Legislative Assembly is to
8 provide for "the establishment and maintenance of a system of public schools which shall be
9 open to all children of the state"; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the Constitution of North Dakota states that the Legislative Assembly shall
11 take "steps as may be necessary to prevent illiteracy, secure a reasonable degree of uniformity
12 in course of study, and to promote industrial, scientific, and agricultural improvements"; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the Legislative Assembly believes that each North Dakota school child
14 should be challenged academically in, at the very least, the disciplines of mathematics, science,
15 English, history, geography, music, art, and physical education, regardless of where in the state
16 the child resides;

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

19 That the Legislative Council study the desirability of requiring that a core curriculum be
20 taught from kindergarten through grade 12; and if determined to be desirable, to develop a core
21 curriculum or endorse an existing core curriculum for delivery to each North Dakota school
22 child, regardless of where the child resides; and to determine the desirability and feasibility of
23 requiring the state to assume all costs of delivering that core curriculum to each North Dakota
24 school child; and

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