Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3044

Introduced by

Representatives Disrud, Ekstrom

Senator Bercier

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the feasibility and desirability

2 of supporting development of the state's wind energy resources.

3 **WHEREAS**, North Dakota has been identified as having the greatest wind energy

4 potential for electric power generation of any state in the nation; and

5 **WHEREAS**, there is a growing market for renewable energy across the United States

6 and many utilities have implemented green pricing programs to market renewable energy; and

7 WHEREAS, development of the state's wind energy resources may create jobs in North

8 Dakota involving manufacturing and installing wind generation equipment and managing,

9 operating, and maintaining wind power stations; and

10 WHEREAS, landowners in North Dakota may realize additional income opportunities

11 from leasing lands for wind generation stations while still being able to farm or graze that land;

12 and

WHEREAS, the sale of electricity from the generation of wind energy in the state may
lead to enhanced tax revenues for the state;

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

16 OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

17 That the Legislative Council study the feasibility and desirability of supporting

18 development of the state's wind energy resources; and

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

21 the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly.