

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the feasibility and desirability
2 of implementing a state college savings plan that provides a state tuition tax credit, a
3 scholarshare program, or a prepaid college tuition program.

4 **WHEREAS**, the cost of a college or university education has risen faster than family
5 income, jeopardizing the ability of many families to afford higher education for their children;
6 and

7 **WHEREAS**, an educated populace is a required element to support our elective
8 democracy, to improve agriculture, to provide an educated work force, and to promote
9 economic growth for this state; and

10 **WHEREAS**, many other states have developed and implemented programs to promote
11 savings for college, including tuition tax credit programs and prepaid college tuition programs;

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

14 That the Legislative Council study the feasibility and desirability of implementing a state
15 college savings plan that provides a state tuition tax credit, a scholarshare program, or a
16 prepaid college tuition program; and

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