Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3062

Introduced by

Representative Boucher

- 1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study alternative dispositions,
- 2 including boot camps, for youth in the juvenile justice system.
- 3 WHEREAS, arrests of juveniles have increased 4.5 percent from 1995 to 1996, and
- 4 arrests of juveniles have increased 45 percent from 1987 to 1996; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the majority of offenses have been historically for larceny or theft, liquor law
- 6 violations, and for being a runaway; and
- 7 WHEREAS, youth who have committed nonviolent crimes have a good chance of
- 8 rehabilitation; and
- 9 WHEREAS, there is a need due to the increased numbers of youth in the juvenile
- 10 justice system for an intermediate dispositional alternative between community placement and
- 11 long-term detention; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the short-term, intensive treatment of youth in boot camps has shown
- 13 long-term positive change in youth's attitudes;

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

- 15 OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:
- 16 That the Legislative Council study dispositional alternatives, including boot camps, for
- 17 youth in the juvenile system; and
- 18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Council report its findings and
- 19 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
- 20 the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly.