

Fifty-sixth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4033

Introduced by

Senators Krauter, Bowman, Lyson

Representatives Froelich, Kempenich, Lundgren

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study outmigration of North Dakota
2 residents.

3 **WHEREAS**, between 1990 and 1997, fourteen of North Dakota's counties have
4 experienced a decrease in population of over 10 percent; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the United States Census Bureau estimates that between July 1, 1997, and
6 July 1, 1998, North Dakota's population decreased by over 2,700, which translated into a
7 -.4 percent decrease, the largest percentage decrease among the 50 states; and

8 **WHEREAS**, North Dakota's neighboring states have experienced increases in
9 population between 1990 and 1998 ranging from approximately six to 10 percent;

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

12 That the Legislative Council study outmigration of North Dakota residents; and

13 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Governor, the State Board of Higher Education,
14 the Bank of North Dakota, and the Department of Economic Development and Finance
15 cooperate with the Legislative Council in identifying methods through which the state may stop
16 the flow of outmigration; 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.