Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3039

Introduced by

Representatives Disrud, Wikenheiser

Senator Urlacher

1 A concurrent resolution to encourage the Secretary of State to appoint a committee to conduct

2 a comprehensive study of North Dakota election laws.

- 3 WHEREAS, it has been at least 10 years since the last comprehensive study of election
- 4 laws in this state; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, the presidential controversy debacle in Florida illustrates the need for
- 6 regular comprehensive reviews of election laws and procedures; and
- 7 WHEREAS, rapidly evolving election technologies are paving the way for dramatic
- 8 changes in voting and election procedures; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the Secretary of State, in his role as the state's chief election officer, is the

10 individual best suited to undertake a comprehensive study of election laws in this state;

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

12 OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

- 13 That the Legislative Assembly encourages the Secretary of State to appoint a
- 14 committee to conduct a comprehensive study of North Dakota election laws; and
- 15 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if the Secretary of State appoints such a committee,
- 16 the committee should include representation from cities, counties, townships, school districts,
- 17 political parties, voter advocacy groups, disability groups, and the technology sector; and
- 18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if the Secretary of State appoints such a committee,
- 19 the committee conclude its deliberations so that the Secretary of State may recommend any
- 20 necessary statutory changes to the Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly.