

**Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 9, 2001**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3042
(Representatives Lemieux, Brandenburg, D. Johnson)

A concurrent resolution urging Congress to ensure the economic viability and competitiveness of American farmers by adopting legislation that would grant states the authority to issue state registrations to parties who wish to import Canadian crop protection products that are identical or substantially similar to products registered with the Environmental Protection Agency for use in the United States.

WHEREAS, agriculture plays an important role in the economic viability and culture of the state of North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, crop protection products are used to produce high-quality and safe commodities marketed nationally and internationally; and

WHEREAS, farmers in this state use crop protection products in a safe and responsible manner; and

WHEREAS, farmers need access to crop protection products as those available to Canadian producers to be competitive and economically viable; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota farmers are prohibited by federal law and regulations to import and use Canadian crop protection products without the consent of the product registrant;

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

That the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly urges the Congress of the United States to adopt legislation granting states the authority to issue state registrations to parties who wish to import Canadian crop protection products that are identical or substantially similar to products registered with the Environmental Protection Agency for use in the United States; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution to the Secretary of Agriculture, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, the chairmen of the Senate and House Agriculture Committees, and to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2001,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State