

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3043
(Representative Keiser)**

A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the fiscal note process.

WHEREAS, legislative rules require fiscal notes to be attached to measures that have a potential impact on revenues or expenditures of the state, cities, counties, and school districts; and

WHEREAS, a fiscal note is requested of a state agency determined to be in the best position to estimate the impact of proposed legislation; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to decisions of the Legislative Assembly to be able to rely upon accurate and unbiased preparation of fiscal notes; and

WHEREAS, careful examination of past fiscal notes should be undertaken to determine whether fiscal notes are accurate and unbiased and whether improvements could be made in the process or reliability of fiscal notes for the benefit of the legislative process;

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

That the Legislative Council study the fiscal note process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in conducting this study, the Legislative Council may use the services of the State Auditor in auditing from a financial and performance-based standpoint a representative sampling of fiscal notes that have been prepared on recent legislation; and

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

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