Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2003

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3032 (Representatives Warnke, Aarsvold, Delmore) (Senators Lyson, Traynor)

A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the feasibility and desirability of converting vacant public school buildings in rural areas into methamphetamine detoxification and treatment facilities.

WHEREAS, declining population in rural areas of the state has resulted in the consolidation of schools leaving a number of public school buildings vacant; and

WHEREAS, between 1993 and 2001, the state's inmate population increased by 65 percent and is projected to increase another 21 percent between 2002 and 2012; and

WHEREAS, 28 percent of all inmate admissions in 2001 were the result of drug offenses and more than one-third of male admissions and one-half of female admissions reported daily drug use before admission; and

WHEREAS, the manufacture and use of methamphetamines in the state has reached epidemic proportions; and

WHEREAS, converting vacant public school buildings to methamphetamine detoxification and treatment facilities may be an option that would use vacant school buildings and help ease the overcrowding problems in the corrections system;

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

That the Legislative Council study the feasibility and desirability of converting vacant public school buildings in rural areas into methamphetamine detoxification and treatment facilities; 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-ninth 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 ______, 2003,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State