

Fifty-eighth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

**ENGROSSED HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 3003**

Introduced by

Legislative Council

(Family Law Committee)

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study state and local funding
2 obligations for social services, including child support enforcement services.

3 **WHEREAS**, in 1997 the Legislative Assembly enacted House Bill No. 1041, the "swap"
4 legislation, which exchanged state and county administrative and funding responsibilities for
5 economic assistance programs effective January 1, 1998; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the consolidation of county human service administration was one of the
7 goals of the "swap" legislation and a review of whether that goal has been fully accomplished is
8 necessary; and

9 **WHEREAS**, counties with Indian reservations and counties neighboring those counties
10 are finding it increasingly difficult to fund social services, due in part to limited taxable property
11 and increased social service needs; and

12 **WHEREAS**, there is a perceived inequity in requiring counties to fund social service
13 programs such as child support enforcement services when there is limited county control over
14 the program;

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

17 That the Legislative Council study state and local funding obligations for social services,
18 including child support enforcement services; and

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