Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3012

Introduced by

Representative Weisz

Senator Trenbeath

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the laws of this state

- 2 concerning arbitration of construction issues with the Department of Transportation.
- 3 WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Legislative Assembly to review existing laws to

4 ensure that the laws address the problems the laws are intended to rectify; and

- 5 **WHEREAS**, it is necessary from time to time for the Department of Transportation to
- 6 arbitrate issues concerning construction contracts; and
- 7 WHEREAS, recent use of arbitration has raised many issues and concerns with the
- 8 current law and system; and
- 9 WHEREAS, there is some concern with whether certain issues may be arbitrable and
- 10 whether certain issues should be handled by the courts; and
- 11 WHEREAS, mandatory arbitration may constrict the ability of the Department of
- 12 Transportation to best resolve contract disputes;

## 13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

- 14 OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:
- 15 That the Legislative Council study the laws of this state concerning arbitration of
- 16 construction issues with the Department of Transportation; and
- 17 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Council report its findings and
- 18 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
- 19 the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly.