Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4005

Introduced by

Senators Krauter, Erbele, Urlacher

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1 A concurrent resolution urging the United States Secretary of Agriculture to implement a cost of 2 production insurance pilot program. 3 WHEREAS, cost of production insurance is a concept that allows producers of program 4 and specialty crops to insure between 70 and 90 percent of their documented variable costs of 5 production; and 6 WHEREAS, cost of production insurance would greatly enhance each producer's ability 7 to survive natural disasters and economic crises; and 8 WHEREAS, cost of production insurance would significantly limit the federal 9 government's budget exposure for agricultural losses; and 10 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Agriculture's Risk Management Agency 11 has received a proposal for implementation of a cost of production insurance pilot program but 12 has not yet implemented such a program; and 13 WHEREAS, in its initial phase, a cost of production insurance pilot program would cover 14 commodities such as almonds, apricots, corn, cotton, cranberries, nectarines, onions, peaches, 15 rice, soybeans, sugarcane, and wheat; 16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE 17 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN: 18 That the Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly urges the United States Secretary of 19 Agriculture to implement a cost of production insurance pilot program; and 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this 21 resolution to the President of the United States, the Secretary of the United States Department 22 of Agriculture, and to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.