

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4025

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress to promote development of North Dakota's wind
2 energy resource by appropriating funds to provide a two and one-half cents per kilowatt hour
3 wind energy production tax credit.

4 **WHEREAS**, the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota enacted legislation
5 allowing installations on property leased by a taxpayer to qualify for a long-form income tax
6 credit for installation of a geothermal, solar, or wind energy device; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota also provided a
8 sales and use tax exemption for production equipment and tangible personal property used in
9 construction of a wind-powered electrical generating facility before January 1, 2011, if a facility
10 has an electrical energy generation unit with a nameplate capacity of 100 kilowatts or more; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota reduced the taxable
12 valuation of centrally assessed wind turbine electric generators from 10 percent of assessed
13 value to three percent of assessed value if the generation unit has a nameplate generation
14 capacity of 100 hundred kilowatts or more and construction is completed before January 1,
15 2011; and

16 **WHEREAS**, development of North Dakota's wind energy resource will benefit the
17 national economy by providing a source of clean, renewable energy thus obviating the need for
18 imported oil; and

19 **WHEREAS**, Congress should support development of the state's wind energy resource
20 by appropriating funds to provide a wind energy production tax credit of up to two and one-half
21 cents per kilowatt hour; and

22 **WHEREAS**, enactment of a wind energy production tax credit would promote the
23 manufacturing of wind turbine towers and blades resulting in increased manufacturing of wind
24 turbine equipment in the United States;

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

3 That the Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly urges the Congress of the United States to
4 promote development of North Dakota's wind energy resource by appropriating funds to provide
5 a two and one-half cents per kilowatt hour wind energy production tax credit; and

6 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
7 resolution to the Secretary of the Department of Energy and to each member of the North
8 Dakota Congressional Delegation.