Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3074

Introduced by

Representative Warner

1	A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the current statutory
2	framework of commercial entities, including possible inconsistent treatment of similarly situated
3	entities.
4	WHEREAS, North Dakota law provides for associations, joint ventures, trusts, business
5	trusts, enterprises, estates, partnerships, limited liability partnerships, limited liability limited
6	partnerships, cooperatives, limited liability companies, limited liability corporations,
7	corporations, nonprofit corporations, nonprofit organizations, professional organizations,
8	professional corporations, professional limited liability companies, professional limited liability
9	partnerships, and professional organizations; and
10	WHEREAS, in addition, these types of commercial entities frequently may be further
11	distinguished as closely held, foreign, or domestic; and
12	WHEREAS, the creation of new types of commercial entities is ongoing; and
13	WHEREAS, inconsistent statutory references to commercial entities results in confusion
14	and the need for judicial clarification or interpretation; and
15	WHEREAS, inconsistent treatment of similarly situated entities may be contrary to
16	legislative intent and may have the unintended consequence of hindering commercial
17	development in this state;
18	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
19	OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:
20	That the Legislative Council study the current statutory framework of commercial
21	entities, including inconsistent treatment of similarly situated entities; and
22	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislative Council report its findings and
23	recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
24	the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly.