

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4008**

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the need for guardianship  
2 services, standards and practices for guardians, and funding for programs for individuals with  
3 mental illness, vulnerable elderly individuals, and individuals with traumatic brain injuries.

4 **WHEREAS**, guardians provide an essential service for incapacitated individuals; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the behavior of guardians needs to be at a high standard to protect these  
6 incapacitated individuals; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the need for guardianship services for incapacitated individuals is unknown  
8 and the need appears not to be met; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the needs of individuals with mental illness, traumatic brain injury, and the  
10 elderly may require funding for programs to increase their quality of life, including their  
11 protection through guardianship services;

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

14 That the Legislative Council study the need for guardianship services, standards and  
15 practices for guardians, and funding for programs for individuals with mental illness, vulnerable  
16 elderly individuals, and individuals with traumatic brain injuries; 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.