

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3064

Introduced by

Representatives Mueller, Delmore, Gulleson, Maragos

Senators Espegard, Fischer

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the use of remote-controlled
2 locomotives and related safety and security.

3 **WHEREAS**, railroads have safety and security concerns especially when crossing
4 highways, going over or around rivers and other public water supplies, and traveling through
5 areas populated with residents of this state; and

6 **WHEREAS**, railroad equipment may present a significant danger to persons and
7 property from collision, derailment, and release of hazardous materials and the cause of this
8 danger may be intentional through deliberate acts or unintentional; and

9 **WHEREAS**, there may need to be requirements that a railroad operating a
10 remote-controlled locomotive notify the appropriate city official before entering the city, follow
11 established criteria for the safe transport and switching of hazardous materials, have quality
12 assurance regarding training and adequacy of operators of remote-controlled locomotives that
13 develop the appropriate skills needed for safe operation, and follow established criteria for
14 effective and reliable protection and security of remote-controlled locomotives at any location
15 accessible to the general public;

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

18 That the Legislative Council study the use of remote-controlled locomotives and related
19 safety and security; and

20 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Council report its findings and
21 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
22 the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly.