Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4010

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress to adopt whole-farm cost of production insurance that 2 is based on a producer's actual production cost history. 3 WHEREAS, North Dakota is second among states in the use of federal crop insurance 4 products; and 5 WHEREAS, North Dakota has experienced several consecutive years of natural 6 disasters that have reduced actual production history; and 7 WHEREAS, many producers have found that their level of coverage has eroded or is 8 unavailable as a result of consecutive years of natural disasters; and 9 WHEREAS, the current federal crop insurance system, which relies upon production 10 units, price history, and yield history, has been subject to both fraud and abuse; and 11 WHEREAS, many producers and lending institutions require more coverage and 12 reliability than can be provided by existing federal crop insurance products and ad hoc disaster 13 spending to cover production costs in the event of catastrophic natural disasters; and 14 WHEREAS, the taxpayers of this state and country deserve a more fiscally responsible 15 plan than off-budget emergency spending to deal with catastrophic agricultural losses; 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 Congress of the United States to 19 adopt whole-farm cost of production insurance that is based on a producer's actual production 20 cost history; and 21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this 22 resolution to the President of the United States, the Secretary of the United States Department 23 of Agriculture, and to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.