

Fifty-eighth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.

Introduced by

Senators Mathern, Bowman, Thane

Representative Maragos

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the economic and social
2 benefits of solid waste reduction and the implementation of recycling programs including the
3 expansion of Project Safe Send to rural communities, job creation in the solid waste industry,
4 growth of the solid waste industry, the life span of existing municipal solid waste landfills, and
5 identification of impediments to waste reduction in the state, including the development of
6 markets, training, identification of technical needs, and funding.

7 **WHEREAS**, the disposition of the state's solid waste is an issue that affects every
8 resident of North Dakota and is of great concern to the residents of this state; and

9 **WHEREAS**, there are a limited number of municipal solid waste landfills in the state;
10 and

11 **WHEREAS**, the capacity of existing municipal solid waste landfills in the state is
12 decreasing; and

13 **WHEREAS**, new municipal landfills are expensive to develop;

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

16 That the Legislative Council study the economic and social benefits of solid waste
17 reduction and the implementation of recycling programs including the expansion of Project Safe
18 Send to rural communities, job creation in the solid waste industry, growth of the solid waste
19 industry, the life span of existing municipal solid waste landfills, and identification of
20 impediments to waste reduction in the state, including the development of markets, training,
21 identification of technical needs, and funding; 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-eighth Legislative Assembly.