## Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2005

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4009 (Senator Wardner)

- A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study school district and library funding sources to determine if a method can be found to provide an incentive to reduce school district and library property tax levies.
- **WHEREAS**, property taxes levied by school districts and libraries constitute a majority of all property taxes levied in the state; and
- WHEREAS, school districts and libraries that reduce property tax levies receive a reduction in foundation aid allocations and reduced property tax levy authority in future years under current law; and
- **WHEREAS**, school district and library funding sources should be examined to determine whether there are methods available to encourage reduction of property tax levies by school districts and libraries; and
- **WHEREAS**, foundation aid allocations may encourage school districts and libraries to determine the maximum property tax levy that may be imposed and build a budget around that amount to avoid loss of state funding;

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

That the Legislative Council study school district and library funding sources to determine if a method can be found which would provide an incentive to reduce school district property tax levies; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Council report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the Sixtieth Legislative Assembly.

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