

**Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Wednesday, January 3, 2007**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3012
(Representatives Owens, Dietrich, Grande)
(Senator Bakke)

A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the determination of the cost of elementary and secondary education.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Instruction is statutorily charged with determining the cost of elementary and secondary education; and

WHEREAS, in determining the cost of elementary and secondary education, state law provides that the Superintendent of Public Instruction is to consider all costs except capital outlays for buildings, sites, and debt service and expenditures for school activities, lunch programs, and transportation; and

WHEREAS, the school districts of this state vary considerably with respect to their size, with respect to the educational opportunities that they make available to their students, and with respect to their efficiencies; and

WHEREAS, the equitable distribution of state funds to school districts for elementary and secondary education requires a common understanding of what constitutes the cost of that education;

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

That the Legislative Council study the determination of the cost of elementary and secondary education, and the determination of the cost of delivering only that education required by state law, assuming a student-teacher ratio of 20 to 1 and excluding all extracurricular activities; 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 Sixty-first Legislative Assembly.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2007,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State