Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3013

Introduced by

Representatives DeKrey, Dahl, Delmore

Senators Fiebiger, Hacker, Nelson

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study statutes and institutional

2 resources relating to the domestic violence protection order process, including criminal cases

3 for alleged violation of protection orders.

4 **WHEREAS**, a recent study conducted by a Supreme Court advisory group revealed

5 significant questions about whether current statutes governing the domestic violence protection

6 order process adequately fulfill their intended purpose; and

7 **WHEREAS**, there are concerns that imbalances exist in institutional and other

8 resources available to parties to the protection order process to the extent that an equitable

9 resolution of issues may be compromised; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the manner in which services are provided to parties to a domestic violence

11 protection order proceeding has not been the subject of recent study to determine whether

12 current statutes are adequately implemented; and

13 WHEREAS, issues concerning the civil protection order process also extend to statutes

14 and processes governing criminal cases for alleged violation of protection orders;

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

16 **OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

That the Legislative Council study statutes and institutional resources relating to the
domestic violence protection order process, including criminal cases for alleged violation of
protection orders; and

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

22 the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly.