

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Conference Committee Amendments****ENGROSSED HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 3019**

Introduced by

Representatives Sukut, Berg, Koppelman

Senators Cook, Hogue, Lyson

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study Section 18 of Article X of the
2 Constitution of North Dakota.

3 **WHEREAS**, Section 18 of Article X of the Constitution of North Dakota has existed
4 unchanged for more than eighty years; and

5 **WHEREAS**, this constitutional provision has profound effects on state and political
6 subdivision interaction with businesses and citizens and it is incumbent upon the Legislative
7 Assembly to determine whether the constitutional provision adequately governs the current
8 status of state and local government needs and limitations with respect to businesses and the
9 citizens of the state; and

10 **WHEREAS**, legislation has been proposed to authorize direct payment of tax dollars to
11 taxpayers, which action may be in violation of Section 18 of Article X of the Constitution of
12 North Dakota;

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

15 That the Legislative Council study Section 18 of Article X of the Constitution of North
16 Dakota, including alternatives for direct payments of tax dollars to taxpayers; and

17 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Council report its findings and
18 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
19 the Sixty-second Legislative Assembly.