FIRST ENGROSSMENT

Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3019

Introduced by

Representatives Sukut, Berg, Koppelman Senators Cook, Hogue, Lyson

- 1 A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 18 of article X of the Constitution of North
- 2 Dakota, relating to allowing the legislative assembly to enact legislation to provide for return of
- 3 surplus tax collections to citizens of the state; and to provide an effective date.

4 STATEMENT OF INTENT

- 5 This measure allows the legislative assembly to provide for payments to citizens of the state
- 6 when the legislative assembly determines surplus tax collections warrant such payments.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE

SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

- 9 That the following proposed amendment to section 18 of article X of the Constitution of
- 10 North Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the qualified electors of North Dakota at
- 11 the primary election to be held in 2010, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the
- 12 Constitution of North Dakota.

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- 13 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 18 of article X of the Constitution of North Dakota
- 14 is amended and reenacted as follows:
- **Section 18.** The state, any county, or city may make internal improvements and may
- 16 engage in any industry, enterprise, or business, not prohibited by article XX of the constitution,
- 17 but neither the state nor any political subdivision thereof shall of the state may otherwise loan
- or give its credit or make donations to or in aid of any individual, association, or corporation
- 19 except for reasonable support of the poor, nor subscribe to or become the owner of capital
- 20 stock in any association or corporation. If the legislative assembly determines that state
- 21 revenues and fund balances warrant return of funds to taxpayers of the state, the legislative
- 22 assembly may provide for payments to taxpayers of the state in the manner the legislative
- 23 assembly determines appropriate.
- 24 **SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.** If approved by the voters, this measure becomes
- 25 effective on January 1, 2011.