

**Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2009**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4002
(Legislative Council)
(Workforce Committee)

A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the state's workforce system, the feasibility and desirability of enacting legislation to address the issues identified in the 2007-08 interim Workforce Committee's consultant's report, and the implementation of workforce initiatives enacted by the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly.

WHEREAS, during the 2007-08 interim the Legislative Council's Workforce Committee studied the state's system for addressing workforce needs through a workforce system initiative that included receipt of agency reports regarding implementation of workforce legislation enacted during the 2007 legislative session, active participation in five focus groups across the state, and active participation in the Workforce Congress; and

WHEREAS, the Workforce Committee contracted with Thomas P. Miller and Associates to facilitate the focus groups and the Workforce Congress and to provide a report summarizing information gathered, prioritizing workforce-related action items, and identifying workforce system policy and implementation options and recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the interim Workforce, Education, and Higher Education Committees held a joint meeting to address workforce-related committee activities in order to coordinate workforce study activities; and

WHEREAS, although the Workforce, Education, and Higher Education Committees approved and recommended legislative packages addressing workforce-related issues, there are significant workforce action items in the Thomas P. Miller and Associates report which have not been fully addressed and which warrant additional legislative study and consideration;

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

That the Legislative Council study the state's workforce system, the feasibility and desirability of enacting legislation to address the issues identified in the 2007-08 interim Workforce Committee's consultant's report, and the implementation of workforce initiatives enacted by the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly; 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-second Legislative Assembly.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2009,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State