Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.

Introduced by

Senator Krauter

1	A concurrent resolution declaring the renewable energy policy of the Legislative Assembly.
2	WHEREAS, North Dakota is blessed with an abundance of diverse energy resources;
3	and
4	WHEREAS, North Dakota possesses the country's greatest wind resources; and
5	WHEREAS, renewable energy production promotes sustainable rural economic
6	development by creating new jobs and stimulating business and economic activity in local
7	communities across North Dakota; and
8	WHEREAS, North Dakota is a leader in developing advanced technology in capture,
9	transport, and storage of carbon dioxide from power plants; and
10	WHEREAS, increased use of renewable energy will enhance the country's energy
11	self-sufficiency and independence; and
12	WHEREAS, fuel diversity, economic, and environmental benefits from renewable
13	energy production accrue to the public at large, and therefore all consumers and utilities should
14	support expanded development of these resources to meet the state's electricity demand and
15	stabilize electricity prices; and
16	WHEREAS, 28 other states have adopted renewable portfolio standards; and
17	WHEREAS, North Dakota has an objective that 10 percent of all retail electricity sold in
18	the state be obtained from renewable energy and recycled energy by 2015;
19	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE
20	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:
21	That the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly supports mandating a goal of 25 percent of the
22	state and nation's energy supply come from renewable energy resources by the year 2025; and
23	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly supports a
24	long-term extension of the production tax credit for renewable sources, including wind energy.