Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4002

Introduced by

Legislative Council

(Workforce Committee)

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the state's workforce system,

2 the feasibility and desirability of enacting legislation to address the issues identified in the

3 2007-08 interim Workforce Committee's consultant's report, and the implementation of

4 workforce initiatives enacted by the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly.

5 **WHEREAS**, during the 2007-08 interim the Legislative Council's Workforce Committee 6 studied the state's system for addressing workforce needs through a workforce system initiative

7 that included receipt of agency reports regarding implementation of workforce legislation

8 enacted during the 2007 legislative session, active participation in five focus groups across the

9 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

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- 1 Workforce Committee's consultant's report, and the implementation of workforce initiatives
- 2 enacted by the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly; and
- 3 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Council report its findings and
- 4 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
- 5 the Sixty-second Legislative Assembly.