

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3010

Introduced by

Representatives Meier, Beadle, Dosch, D. Johnson, Kelsh, Schatz, Steiner, Strinden

Senators Dever, Murphy

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to study the identification of
2 properly trained assistance ~~dogs~~animals providing legitimate service to their owners, waivers of
3 local registration fees, and the effect of various local ordinances on the acquisition and use of
4 assistance ~~dogs~~animals.

5 **WHEREAS**, assistance ~~dogs~~animals are specially trained to provide specific services to
6 their handlers; and

7 **WHEREAS**, assistance ~~dogs~~animals provide to their owners the opportunity to fully
8 participate in social, educational, and occupational settings, thereby greatly enhancing the
9 quality of their owners' lives; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the owners of assistance ~~dogs~~animals have legal rights governing access to
11 public places; and

12 **WHEREAS**, individuals who falsely identify their companion ~~dogs~~animals as assistance
13 ~~dogs~~animals and individuals who, with the intent to mislead, claim that their companion
14 ~~dogs~~animals are assistance ~~dogs~~animals, negatively impact those who have a legitimate need
15 to be accompanied by a highly trained assistance ~~dog~~animal;

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

18 That the Legislative Management study whether properly trained assistance ~~dogs~~animals
19 providing legitimate service to their owners should be licensed or identified in a manner that
20 readily distinguishes them from other companion ~~dogs~~animals that are falsely or fraudulently
21 claimed to be assistance ~~dogs~~animals, whether special privileges such as waivers of local
22 registration fees should be implemented for assistance ~~dogs~~animals, and whether local
23 ordinances do or could impede the acquisition and use of assistance ~~dogs~~animals; and

- 1 | **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Management report its findings and
- 2 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
- 3 the Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly.