

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3006

Introduced by

Legislative Council

(Budget Committee on Home and Community Care)

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study long-term care financing
2 issues to determine the changes necessary to develop alternative services and the feasibility of
3 a managed care system for long-term care services.

4 **WHEREAS**, during the 1995-96 interim the Department of Human Services and the
5 Department of Health formed a Task Force on Long-Term Care Planning and presented
6 recommendations to the Legislative Council's Budget Committee on Home and Community
7 Care and the Insurance and Health Care Committee regarding long-term care financing; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the Budget Committee on Home and Community Care supports the
9 long-range goals of reducing the number of long-term care beds in North Dakota and of
10 providing incentives to deliver alternative home and community-based services; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the current long-term care payment system should be reviewed to
12 determine if some categories of nursing home residents could receive services in alternative,
13 less costly settings; and

14 **WHEREAS**, a managed care program for long-term care services could result in the
15 development of alternative care in a cost-efficient manner; and

16 **WHEREAS**, financial, regulatory, and other impediments may exist that prevent the
17 development of alternative services to long-term care;

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

20 That the Legislative Council study nursing facility and other residential care systems to
21 determine the changes necessary to assist in the development of alternative services, the
22 financial incentives necessary to encourage nursing facilities to reduce the number of beds and
23 to develop alternative services, if some categories of long-term care residents could receive
24 services in alternative, less costly settings and any related cost savings, and the feasibility of a
25 managed care system for long-term care services; and

- 1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Council report its findings and
- 2 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
- 3 the Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly.