Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3002

Introduced by

Legislative Council

(Budget Committee on Government Finance)

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the state's investment process 2 as it relates to the state bonding fund and the fire and tornado fund and monitor the 3 performance of all investments of the State Investment Board and the Board of University and 4 School Lands. 5 WHEREAS, it is beneficial for the state to realize maximum investment returns while 6 minimizing investment risks; and 7 WHEREAS, the State Investment Board oversees the investment of the fire and tornado 8 fund, which totaled \$16.1 million as of June 30, 1996, and the state bonding fund, which totaled 9 \$3.7 million as of June 30, 1996, along with many other statutory and contracted funds totaling 10 over \$2 billion; and 11 WHEREAS, the fire and tornado fund and the state bonding fund earned one-year 12 annualized returns as of the June 30, 1996, of 6.45 percent and 6.98 percent, respectively, 13 while other funds administered by the State Investment Board earned one-year annualized 14 returns as of June 30, 1996, ranging from 5.63 percent to 24.7 percent; and 15 WHEREAS, the mission of the State Investment Board is to prudently invest assets 16 entrusted to it in the best financial interests of each fund's beneficiaries; and 17 WHEREAS, the objectives of the Retirement and Investment Office include providing 18 the greatest possible long-term benefits by maximizing the total rate of return on investments or 19 maintaining the desired minimum balance in a fund, within prudent risk parameters and 20 appropriate liquidity restraints; and 21 WHEREAS, the adequacy of the funds is dependent on the investment performance of 22 the funds: 23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 24 OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

That the Legislative Council study the state's investment process as it relates to the
state bonding fund and the fire and tornado fund and to monitor the performance of all
investments of the State Investment Board and the Board of University and School Lands; 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 Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly.