

Fifty-fifth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3018

Introduced by

Representatives Kempenich, Byerly, Drovdal

Senator Bowman

1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress to provide funds to widen and provide an attached
2 walkway to the bridge over the Burlington Northern tracks on United States Highway 85 north of
3 Bowman, North Dakota.

4 **WHEREAS**, United States Highway 85 is the International Can-Am Highway; and

5 **WHEREAS**, this highway is regularly used by the oil and agriculture industries; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the three-span steel girder bridge on United States Highway 85 over the
7 railroad tracks north of Bowman was constructed in 1939, is 166 feet in length, and is only 24
8 feet wide from curb to curb; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the traffic over the bridge was approximately 1,000 vehicles per day in
10 1989 and has increased to approximately 1,125 vehicles per day in 1995; and

11 **WHEREAS**, expanding the clear deck width curb to curb to 32 feet by using the
12 pedestrian sidewalk that is on the east side of the bridge would increase the safety for the
13 motoring public; and

14 **WHEREAS**, a separate walkway attached to the bridge would provide a safe path for
15 children to attend school and recreational activities;

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

18 That the Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly urges the Congress of the United States to
19 provide funds to widen and provide an attached walkway to the bridge over the Burlington
20 Northern tracks on United States Highway 85 north of Bowman, North Dakota; and

21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
22 resolution to the Secretary of the Department of Transportation and to each member of the
23 North Dakota Congressional Delegation.