

Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly, State of North Dakota, begun in the Capitol in the City of Bismarck, on Monday, the sixth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3018
(Representatives Kempenich, Byerly, Drovda)
(Senator Bowman)**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 1997,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State