

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. 3039
(Representatives Brandenburg, Gulleason, Kroeplin, Nicholas)
(Senators Christmann, Wanzek)

A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the relationship between state general fund revenue gains from economic growth and losses from providing income tax incentives for investment in value-added agricultural processing.

WHEREAS, value-added agricultural processing holds great promise to add strength to North Dakota's economy and to benefit the state's agricultural producers; and

WHEREAS, the Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly has disapproved legislation to provide income tax incentives for investments in value-added agricultural processing businesses primarily due to concerns about the loss of income tax revenues but with a lack of reliable information on potential revenue enhancements to be derived from economic development; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to understanding the full impact of incentives for investments in value-added agricultural processing to obtain detailed analysis of the potential benefits in increased future general fund revenues through stimulation of the state's economy by value-added agricultural processing and the information obtained could be used to structure legislation to offset anticipated revenue losses with anticipated revenue gains;

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

That the Legislative Council study the relationship between state general fund revenue gains from economic growth and losses from providing income tax incentives for investment in value-added agricultural processing, with emphasis on developing legislation to offset anticipated revenue losses from investment incentives with anticipated revenue gains from economic growth; 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.

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