

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3032

Introduced by

Representatives Warnke, Aarsvold, Delmore

Senators Lyson, Traynor

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the feasibility and desirability
2 of converting vacant public school buildings in rural areas into methamphetamine detoxification
3 and treatment facilities.

4 **WHEREAS**, declining population in rural areas of the state has resulted in the
5 consolidation of schools leaving a number of public school buildings vacant; and

6 **WHEREAS**, between 1993 and 2001, the state's inmate population increased by
7 65 percent and is projected to increase another 21 percent between 2002 and 2012; and

8 **WHEREAS**, 28 percent of all inmate admissions in 2001 were the result of drug
9 offenses and more than one-third of male admissions and one-half of female admissions
10 reported daily drug use before admission; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the manufacture and use of methamphetamines in the state has reached
12 epidemic proportions; and

13 **WHEREAS**, converting vacant public school buildings to methamphetamine
14 detoxification and treatment facilities may be an option that would use vacant school buildings
15 and help ease the overcrowding problems in the corrections system;

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

18 That the Legislative Council study the feasibility and desirability of converting vacant
19 public school buildings in rural areas into methamphetamine detoxification and treatment
20 facilities; and

21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Council report its findings and
22 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
23 the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly.