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Fifty-ninth
Legislative Assembly          ENGROSSED SENATE CONCURRENT
of North Dakota               RESOLUTION NO. 4030

Introduced by

   Senators Brown, O'Connell

   Representatives Devlin, Metcalf

1   A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the delivery of long-term care

2   services in North Dakota with primary emphasis on the individual's preferred method of care,

3   patient safety, quality of care, potential duplication of service, and the direction of state

4   assistance.

5       **WHEREAS**, North Dakota continues to see growth in its aging and disabled population;

6   and

7       **WHEREAS**, the overwhelming majority of the state's citizens prefer to receive long-term

8   care services in the least restrictive environment, maintaining dignity and independence as long

9   as possible; and

10      **WHEREAS**, long-term care services in North Dakota continue to be directed toward

11  institutionalization; and

12      **WHEREAS**, continuing to increase funding for institutional long-term care does not

13  consider citizen preference nor the efficiency of home and community-based services; and

14      **WHEREAS**, transitioning from a method of delivery and payment for institutional care to

15  the delivery and payment of home and community-based services is necessary to limit the

16  financial burden on the state of North Dakota, while meeting the needs and providing the

17  preferred method of care to the individual in the long-term care continuum;

18      **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF NORTH DAKOTA,**

19  **THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:**

20      That the Legislative Council study the delivery of long-term care services in North

21  Dakota with primary emphasis on the individual's preferred method of care, patient safety,

22  quality of care, potential duplication of service, and the direction of state assistance; and

23      **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Council report its findings and

24  recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to

25  the Sixtieth Legislative Assembly.