Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3044

Introduced by

Representatives Mueller, DeKrey, Kaldor

Senators Horne, Triplett, Wardner

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the allocation of wind rights. 2 WHEREAS, defining wind rights and establishing a connection between wind rights and 3 the surface estate would provide all stakeholders consistency and stability in the development 4 of wind power; and 5 WHEREAS, noise and visual disturbances created by wind towers are issues that are 6 best addressed at the beginning stages of a wind farm and in a consistent manner; and 7 WHEREAS, consistent spacing between wind turbines and from property boundaries 8 provides for fair allocation of wind resources while respecting property rights; and 9 WHEREAS, other rights as to natural resources, for example, oil and gas, which are 10 connected with real property, are allocated in relation to the surface rights and not on a 11 first-come, first-served basis; 12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 13 OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN: 14 That the Legislative Council study the allocation of wind rights; and 15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislative Council report its findings and 16 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to

17 the Sixty-second Legislative Assembly.