Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3051

Introduced by

Representatives Kretschmar, Brandenburg, D. Johnson

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study imposition of criminal and civil

2 penalties, fines, fees, and forfeitures by administrative rule.

3 WHEREAS, it is a legislative responsibility to assure that criminal and civil penalties,

4 fines, fees, and forfeitures are imposed according to law and within the purview of an

5 appropriate level of legislative and public scrutiny; and

6 WHEREAS, imposition of criminal and civil penalties, fines, fees, and forfeitures by

7 administrative rule may not provide adequate safeguards of public consideration and legislative

8 deliberation, which are provided by consideration of legislation by the full Legislative Assembly;

9 and

10 **WHEREAS**, it is incumbent upon the Legislative Assembly to conduct a thorough review

11 of criminal and civil penalties, fines, fees, and forfeitures to ensure that legislative and public

12 interests are properly addressed in existing administrative rules and procedures for

13 implementation and imposition of administrative rules imposing criminal and civil penalties,

14 fines, fees, and forfeitures;

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

16 OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

17 That the Legislative Council study imposition of criminal and civil penalties, fines, fees,18 and forfeitures by administrative rule; 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 Sixty-second Legislative Assembly.