Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4003

Introduced by

Legislative Management

(Government Finance Committee)

- 1 A concurrent resolution to amend and reenact section 24 of article X of the Constitution of North
- 2 Dakota, relating to the foundation aid stabilization fund.
- 3 STATEMENT OF INTENT This measure provides for additional purposes for the foundation aid stabilization fund.
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- 5 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE** OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE
 - **CONCURRING THEREIN:**
- 7 That the following proposed amendment to section 24 of article X of the Constitution of
- 8 North Dakota is agreed to and must be submitted to the gualified electors of North Dakota at the
- 9 primary election to be held in June 2016, in accordance with section 16 of article IV of the
- 10 Constitution of North Dakota.

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- 11 SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 24 of article X of the Constitution of North Dakota is
- 12 amended and reenacted as follows:
- 13 Section 24. Twenty percent of the revenue from oil extraction taxes from taxable oil
- 14 produced in this state must be allocated as follows:
- 15 Fifty percent must be deposited in the common schools trust fund. 1.
- 16 2. Fifty percent must be deposited in the foundation aid stabilization fund in the state
- 17 treasury, the interest income of which must be transferred to the state general fund on
- 18 July first of each year. The principal of the foundation aid stabilization fund may be
- 19 expended only upon order of the governor, who may direct such a transfer only to
- 20 offset foundationstate school aid reductions that were made by executive action
- 21 pursuant to law due to a revenue shortage. Whenever the principal balance of the
- 22 foundation aid stabilization fund exceeds fifteen percent of the general fund
- 23 appropriation for state school aid for the most recently completed biennium as
- 24 determined by the office of management and budget, the legislative assembly may
- 25 appropriate or transfer any excess principal balance for the purpose of making low-

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- 1 interest loans for school construction projects, addressing existing or anticipated
- 2 <u>unfunded benefit obligations of state retirement funds, or other education-related</u>
- 3 <u>purposes.</u>