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1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to study hospital sterilization
2 protocol and the feasibility and desirability of regulating hospital central supply, processing, and
3 distribution technicians in the state.

4 **WHEREAS**, every sterile instrument and supply in hospital operating rooms comes directly
5 from central supply, processing, and distribution; and

6 **WHEREAS**, central supply, processing, and distribution technicians are a direct line to
7 patient safety and well-being; and

8 **WHEREAS**, central supply, processing, and distribution technicians are responsible for the
9 dispensing, decontamination, assembly, and sterilization of hospital equipment; and

10 **WHEREAS**, regulating hospital technicians would help to reduce the occurrence of
11 hospital-acquired infections; and

12 **WHEREAS**, regulating the industry would ensure patient safety by promoting the
13 standardization and consistency of technician certification among various independent medical
14 organizations;

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

17 That the Legislative Management study hospital sterilization protocol and the feasibility and
18 desirability of regulating hospital central supply, processing, and distribution technicians in the
19 state; and

20 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Management report its findings and
21 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
22 the Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly.