

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4004**

Introduced by

Senators Cleary, Barta, Lee

Representatives Nathe, Nelson

1 | A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to ~~consider studying~~study  
2 | accessible transportation in the state for older adults and individuals with disabilities.

3 |       **WHEREAS**, older adults and individuals with disabilities can achieve greater freedom when  
4 | those individuals have full access to a variety of transit modes; and

5 |       **WHEREAS**, expanded access allows mobility and independence in the daily lives of an  
6 | older adult or an individual with disabilities, but this only can be achieved when the pathways to  
7 | transit, the infrastructure, and conditions in the built environment, allow full access to transit  
8 | stops, stations, and vehicles; and

9 |       **WHEREAS**, since passage of the federal Americans with Disabilities Act in 1990, many  
10 | transit agencies and governmental jurisdictions throughout the nation have made significant  
11 | progress in providing accessible transportation, but making additional improvements and  
12 | expanding accessible transportation is imperative to achieve full access and the mobility  
13 | afforded by that access;

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

16 |       That the Legislative Management ~~consider studying~~shall study accessible transportation for  
17 | older adults and individuals with disabilities in the state; and

18 |       **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the study include evaluating statewide challenges to system  
19 | services and barriers to expanding the state's accessible transportation infrastructure,  
20 | examining the fiscal impact of providing accessible transportation, assessing the effective  
21 | long-term modification of funding formulas to support accessible transportation, and evaluating  
22 | modifications to anticipate the responsibilities of public entities under the federal Americans with  
23 | Disabilities Act; and

- 1        **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Management report its findings and
- 2        recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
- 3        the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly.