

Fifty-sixth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3040

Introduced by

Representatives Wald, Belter, Grosz

Senators Kinnoin, Solberg, Wardner

1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress to make the federal income tax fairer, simpler, flatter,
2 lower, and subject to fewer exceptions and special interest provisions.

3 **WHEREAS**, the federal income tax is the primary exposure of most citizens to the
4 federal government, and instead of fostering respect for the Congress and the federal
5 government, the income tax is a source of derision for those entities; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the common perceptions are that the federal income tax is an example of
7 government gone astray and that the existing Internal Revenue Code is the product of
8 manipulation of Congress by special interest groups; and

9 **WHEREAS**, due to the complexity of laws, regulations, and rulings on income taxes, the
10 average taxpayer has little hope of being proficient in preparing his or her own federal income
11 tax return; and

12 **WHEREAS**, no other Act of Congress would do more to enhance public perception of
13 Congress and the federal government than to make the federal income tax fairer, simpler,
14 flatter, lower, and subject to fewer exceptions and special interest provisions;

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

17 That the Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly urges the Congress of the United States to
18 make the federal income tax fairer, simpler, flatter, lower, and subject to fewer exceptions and
19 special interest provisions; and

20 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
21 resolution to the chairman of the United States House of Representatives Ways and Means
22 Committee, the chairman of the United States Senate Finance Committee, and each member of
23 the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.