

**Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly, State of North Dakota, begun in the Capitol in the City of Bismarck, on Tuesday, the fifth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine**

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3040**  
(Representatives Wald, Belter, Grosz)  
(Senators Kinnoin, Solberg, Wardner)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1999,  
at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State