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### 2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3051

House Agriculture Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date February 14, 2003

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Minutes:

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**REP. POLLERT. VICE-CHAIR** Called the hearing to order.

REP, PAM GULLESON. Introduced the resolution. This is a study on an establishment of the Red River Valley Business and Technology Development Zone, and another is what we can do to enhance the zones that are already established with the USDA. The reason I am bringing this forward is, as you know, I worked for Senator Dorgan, and have a lot of opportunities to work with rural communities who have started really looking at what they can do to enhance their abilities to remain existent. USDA has a number of programs that are helpful in helping them do long term strategic planning. It strikes me that the state of North Dakota hasn't been playing a real intregral role in that. When the communities go to an extensive amount of work in putting in place plans and you see some federal dollars to help with this, I don't know that there is a real partnership between our state and these efforts. I think we need to look very closely at what we are doing in that area.

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The other part of this is the Ped River Valley Research Corridor, which has been established or designated as a corridor. That is based off of the federal research dollars that come to NDSU specifically, millions and millions of dollars over a biennium. While I was researching the corridor, that a number of states who have those types of research corridors, have put some pretty extensive initiatives into their phase that goes along side of that, to move it forward. Michigan is a good example and North Carolina. North Carolina established that they had a tremendous amount of research dollars available and then they established an economic development system that worked with that to bring it to this level. They have hundreds of companies that are outgrowth of that research. I think we need to be doing more of that in this state. Taking what we get from the federal level and enhancing it and moving it forward to make it a better situation for our state. I think, during the interium, we really need to look at this, and see what some other states have done and position ourselves.

**REP. POLLERT** Is it your intent to study all of the economic development efforts in the state, or are you just specifically trying to address this particular part.

REP. GULLESON I really am, I see it says including, what I would have preferred in the language from the council, would that it would say economic developments associated with the establishment of Red River Valley Business & Technology Development Zone, something like that.

**REP. POLLERT** If we amended, so it specifically talks to that part, is it all right with you? **REP. GULLESON** That is fine. My only concern is, if you amend this, will it take it off of the consent calendar?

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**REP. POLLERT** I don't think so. It will go on the 6th order then move it into the consent calendar.

**REP. KINGSBURY** How is this different, you are only going to concentrate on the Red River Valley?

REP. GULLESON Right now in North Dakota, we have the designations of those levels of free zones, common zones and champion community status zones. Those are designated through USDA to communities that are economically depressed. After the communities have come forward and sent those income numbers, they go through all of this strategic planning to get to the place where they can get a federal designation. My goal is to study all of those, and they go throughout the state, in addition to the Red River Valley. We ought to be looking at specific areas that have made a strong committment.

With no further testimony, the hearing was closed.

#### **COMMITTEE ACTION**

**REP. ONSTAD** Made a motion to amend the bill on page 1, line 2 and line 19, to replace "in the state" with "associated with and"

REP. WRANGHAM Second the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

REP. MUELLER Made a motion for a DO PASS AS AMENDED and place on the consent calendar.

REP. BOEHNING Second the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

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REP. POLLERT Was given the floor assignment.

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410) February 17, 2003 3:49 p.m.

Module No: HR-30-2973 Carrier: Pollert

Insert LC: 33073.0101 Title: .0200

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3051: Agriculture Committee (Rep. Nicholas, Chairman) recommends

AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS
(9 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 4 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3051 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 2, replace "in the state," with "associated with and"

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# 2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3051

Senate Agriculture Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 03/07/03

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Minutes:

Chairman Flakoll opened the hearing on HCR 3051. All members were present.

Representative Gulleson introduced and testified in favor of the resolution. She distributed a map of North Dakota Empowerment Program Communities. There are two sets of initiatives moving ahead in North Dakota. One is USDA rural development programs and is on the map. These communities have considerable out migration and they must compile extensive data and demographics. This information is presented to the USDA for acceptance to the program. When and if they obtain acceptance there are resources available to them including tax breaks and federal assistance. Representative Gulleson said North Dakota should partner with these communities as well.

The other initiative is the Red River Valley Business and Technology zone. This is the program started by Senator Dorgan a year ago with the research corridor. We would look to how we can enhance the research opportunities. States that have really benefited from their research corridors

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have partnered with their states in policy. North Carolina, Michigan and Oregon have done a good job with this. They have partnered with their state in terms of incentives, resources, infrastructure.

Senator Flakoll asked about the yellow areas on the map, there is a bit of a geographic disconnect.

Representative Gulleson said each of the categories on the map have different criteria. The Griggs-Steele empowerment zone comes with an appropriation and there are only a handful in the US. They achieved this status because they showed high out migration.

Senator Flakoll asked if we will be able to achieve a situation similar to the research corridor with Minot, Williston and Dickinson?

Representative Gulleson said that is a very good question. The goal is to extend the research corridor west and direct parts of the studies to other campuses.

Senator Seymour said Senator Dorgan said he has spoken to Minot State.

Representative Gulleson said that is true.

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Senator Nichols said there is a little concern - are we putting more resources into areas that already have many opportunities?

Representative Gulleson said the goal is development in the rural areas. The Empowerment Program Communities are all in rural areas.

Senator Flakoll asked if other successful technology zones or corridors have put them in rural areas?

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Representative Gulleson said you have to start in the center of research. Then you take it to the next level and extend opportunities to business. This study will help us learn about this. The North Carolina zone is 20 years old and has spread out to rural areas.

Chairman Flakoll closed the hearing on HCR 3051.

It was moved by Senator Seymour, seconded by Senator Klein, and passed on a roll call vote that the Senate Agriculture Committee take a Do Pass action on HCR 3051. Voting yes were Senator Flakoll, Senator Erbele, Senator Klein, Senator Urlacher, Senator Nichols and Senator Seymour. There were no negative votes cast. Senator Seymour will carry the resolution to the floor. Chairman Flakoll moved on to other business of the committee.

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Roll Call Vote #: 2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 30 5/ Senate Agriculture Check here for Conference Committee Legislative Council Amendment Number Action Taken Motion Made By Sen Seyman Seconded By Sec K-less Senators Yes No Senators Yes Senator Flakoll, Chairman Senator Nichols Senator Erbele, Vice Chairman Senator Seymour Senator Klein Senator Urlacher

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410) March 7, 2003 12:49 p.m.

Module No: SR-41-4233 Carrier: Seymour Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3051, as engrossed: Agriculture Committee (Sen. Fiakoli, Chairman) recommends

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