

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.

Introduced by

Senator Miller

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the reporting of student
2 enrollments at institutions under the control of the State Board of Higher Education to determine
3 the number and percentage of nonresident students that attend each institution, the amount of
4 tuition paid by nonresident students, and whether the resident and nonresident tuition policies
5 are fair and equitable.

6 **WHEREAS**, Table 1 of the North Dakota University System's 2008 Fall Enrollment
7 Report states that the headcount enrollment, which is defined in the report as the number of
8 students enrolled at each institution following the 15th day of classes, regardless of
9 credit-hours, is 43,442; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Table 2 of the North Dakota University System's 2008 Fall Enrollment
11 Report states that the full-time enrollment, which is the number of headcount students enrolled
12 at each institution following the 15th day of classes and taking at least 12 credit-hours is
13 31,818; and

14 **WHEREAS**, Table 10 of the North Dakota University System's 2008 Fall Enrollment
15 Report states that the headcount enrollments by tuition residency status, which is defined as
16 the official institutionally determined residence for tuition purposes, reflect 25,890 North Dakota
17 resident students and 17,552 nonresident students for a total of 43,442; and

18 **WHEREAS**, Table 11 of the North Dakota University System's 2008 Fall Enrollment
19 Report states that the nonresident headcount of undergraduate enrollments by state or
20 jurisdiction other than North Dakota is 14,281; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Table 12 of the North Dakota University System's 2008 Fall Enrollment
22 Report states that the nonresident headcount of graduate and professional headcount
23 enrollments by state or jurisdiction other than North Dakota is 2,184; and

1 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with State Board of Higher Education policies, institutions
2 are encouraged to waive tuition and fees to promote enrollment of a culturally diverse student
3 body; and

4 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with State Board of Higher Education policies, institutions
5 are permitted to grant partial waivers or total waivers of both resident and nonresident tuition;
6 and

7 **WHEREAS**, the North Dakota University System's enrollment data needs to be
8 compiled in a manner that allows for accurate comparisons that are readily available and
9 comprehensible, including the number of resident and nonresident students that are enrolled in
10 the institutions; the percentage of nonresident students; the amount of tuition charged
11 nonresident students; the amount of nonresident tuition waived by each institution; and the
12 amount of tuition actually paid by nonresident students;

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

15 That the Legislative Council study the reporting of student enrollments at institutions
16 under the control of the State Board of Higher Education to determine the number and
17 percentage of nonresident students that attend each institution, the amount of tuition paid by
18 nonresident students, and whether the resident and nonresident tuition policies are fair and
19 equitable; and

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