Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2011

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3007 (Representatives Amerman, J. Kelsh) (Senator Dotzenrod)

A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to study eminent domain laws as they relate to pipeline siting.

WHEREAS, pipelines may be built across multiple states, including this state, without a direct benefit to the people of this state; and

WHEREAS, the eminent domain laws of this state may be used against property owners in this state to locate a pipeline on their property without their consent; and

WHEREAS, the property taken by eminent domain may be taken without consideration for the surrounding property and future uses of the property; and

WHEREAS, the burden is on the property owner to defend against eminent domain for which the property owner incurs legal fees and costs;

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

That the Legislative Management study eminent domain laws as they relate to pipeline siting; and

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