

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to study the growth in use of state
2 False Claims Acts with qui tam provisions in state and local taxation matters and whether that
3 approach is feasible and desirable in North Dakota.

4 **WHEREAS**, False Claims Acts, with qui tam provisions, have been enacted in twenty states
5 which include incentives for private citizens to report and initiate action against other taxpayers
6 for underpayment of taxes; and

7 **WHEREAS**, enactment of False Claims Act laws has sparked court actions and public
8 policy debates on a national level about the application, administration, and wisdom of these
9 laws; and

10 **WHEREAS**, detailed examination should be undertaken of the issues involved in court
11 actions and debate of False Claims Act laws to determine the feasibility and desirability of
12 employing such laws in this state;

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

15 That the Legislative Management study the growth in use of state False Claims Acts with
16 qui tam provisions in state and local taxation matters and whether that approach is feasible and
17 desirable in North Dakota; and

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