

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to study election and lobbying
2 laws.

3 **WHEREAS**, in the two decades since the last comprehensive interim study of election laws,
4 there have been numerous United States Supreme Court decisions that have significantly
5 impacted the administration of elections and campaign finance law; and

6 **WHEREAS**, changes in election technology and voting methods have led to efficiencies in
7 election administration while also raising questions regarding ballot security and the potential for
8 manipulation of the election process; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the length and cost of election campaigns have increased greatly; and

10 **WHEREAS**, there has not been a comprehensive study of lobbying laws in this state;

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

13 That the Legislative Management study election and lobbying laws; and

14 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the study of election and lobbying laws include an
15 examination of election administration and voting methods, voter identification requirements,
16 residency requirements for voting and for candidates and elected officials, corrupt practices in
17 campaigns, campaign finance reporting requirements, and lobbyist registration and reporting;
18 and

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