

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to study the feasibility and
2 desirability of utilizing state funds to provide health insurance, workers' compensation
3 insurance, or other benefits to volunteer firefighters, volunteer emergency medical service
4 personnel, and volunteer ambulance workers across the state.

5 **WHEREAS**, volunteer firefighters, volunteer emergency medical service personnel, and
6 volunteer ambulance workers are a vital resource regarding the administering of aid to others in
7 times of crisis; and

8 **WHEREAS**, it is important to offer protection and peace of mind to volunteers, and their
9 families, who willingly place themselves in harm's way for the benefit of those in need; and

10 **WHEREAS**, a failure to look out for the health and well-being of volunteers may have a
11 negative impact on those individuals' willingness to continue to fill vital volunteer roles in the
12 future to the detriment of the entire 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 feasibility and desirability of utilizing state
16 funds to provide health insurance, workers' compensation insurance, or other benefits to
17 volunteer firefighters, volunteer emergency medical service personnel, and volunteer
18 ambulance workers across the state; 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.