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of North Dakota

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4004

Introduced by

Senators Cleary, Barta, Lee

Representatives Nathe, Nelson

A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying accessible transportation in the state for older adults and individuals with disabilities.

WHEREAS, older adults and individuals with disabilities can achieve greater freedom when those individuals have full access to a variety of transit modes; and

WHEREAS, expanded access allows mobility and independence in the daily lives of an older adult or an individual with disabilities, but this only can be achieved when the pathways to transit, the infrastructure, and conditions in the built environment, allow full access to transit stops, stations, and vehicles; and

WHEREAS, since passage of the federal Americans with Disabilities Act in 1990, many transit agencies and governmental jurisdictions throughout the nation have made significant progress in providing accessible transportation, but making additional improvements and expanding accessible transportation is imperative to achieve full access and the mobility afforded by that access;

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

That the Legislative Management consider studying accessible transportation for older adults and individuals with disabilities in the state; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the study include evaluating statewide challenges to system services and barriers to expanding the state's accessible transportation infrastructure, examining the fiscal impact of providing accessible transportation, assessing the effective long-term modification of funding formulas to support accessible transportation, and evaluating modifications to anticipate the responsibilities of public entities under the federal Americans with Disabilities Act; 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-ninth Legislative Assembly.