

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4044

Introduced by

Senators St. Aubyn, W. Stenehjem

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the feasibility and desirability
2 of consolidating under the School for the Blind all programs and services provided to children
3 and adults who are blind or visually impaired.

4 **WHEREAS**, the state has a significant interest in ensuring that children and adults who
5 are blind or visually impaired are able to function as independently as possible; and

6 **WHEREAS**, children and adults who are blind or visually impaired require a continuum
7 of educational, rehabilitative, and other services or assistance if they are to function as
8 independently as possible; and

9 **WHEREAS**, it is the responsibility of the state to make available an appropriate
10 continuum of services to children and adults who are blind or visually impaired; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the state offers a variety of services to children and adults who are blind or
12 visually impaired through the School for the Blind and the Vocational Rehabilitation Division of
13 the Department of Human Services;

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

16 That the Legislative Council study the feasibility and desirability of consolidating under
17 the School for the Blind all programs and services provided to children and adults who are blind
18 or visually impaired; and

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