

**Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 9, 2001**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3026  
(Representatives Ekstrom, Boucher, Gulleson, S. Kelsh, Mueller)  
(Senator Krauter)

A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the feasibility and desirability of wind energy development in North Dakota.

**WHEREAS**, wind power is a renewable and nonpolluting source of energy; and

**WHEREAS**, several studies have concluded that North Dakota has the greatest potential for wind energy development in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, wind energy projects could provide North Dakota agricultural producers with an additional source of income from wind generation without interfering with their agricultural operations; and

**WHEREAS**, wind energy projects may increase general economic activity in the state including construction of wind energy projects, landowner income, creation of long-term jobs from constructing and servicing wind generation facilities and the manufacturing of wind turbine components; and

**WHEREAS**, the use of public lands should be studied to determine whether these lands may be used for wind energy projects; and

**WHEREAS**, transmission constraints may exist that would hinder the export of electricity generated from wind turbines located in North Dakota;

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

That the Legislative Council study the feasibility and desirability of wind energy development in North Dakota; and

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

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2001,  
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Secretary of State