

**Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2005**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3025
(Representatives Ruby, Bellew)

A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the issues of fairness and equity as they relate to the issuance and enforcement of child visitation orders.

WHEREAS, approximately 70 percent of the caseload of North Dakota courts involves issues related to family law, including divorce, custody, and visitation as well as modifications to custody and visitation; and

WHEREAS, every child has a right to be guided, nurtured, and supported emotionally and physically by both parents regardless of the parents' marital status; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota Century Code Section 14-09-28 provides that each parent of a child has certain rights and duties with respect to custody and visitation; and

WHEREAS, concerns have been expressed that there are inequities in the enforcement of child visitation orders in the state;

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

That the Legislative Council study the issues of fairness and equity as they relate to the issuance and enforcement of child visitation orders; 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 Sixtieth Legislative Assembly.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2005,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State