

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3020

Introduced by

Representatives Berg, Boucher, Nicholas

Senators Flakoll, O'Connell, Stenehjem

1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress to implement the 2003-04 emergency agricultural
2 disaster assistance legislation in the same manner as the 2001-02 legislation.

3 **WHEREAS**, during the 2004 growing season, the state of North Dakota experienced
4 severe and extreme weather conditions which had disastrous results to the agricultural
5 economy; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the United States Congress has enacted emergency agricultural disaster
7 assistance legislation that parallels the agricultural disaster assistance legislation of 2001-02;
8 and

9 **WHEREAS**, the United States Secretary of Agriculture is implementing the emergency
10 agricultural disaster assistance legislation;

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

13 That the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly urges the United States Secretary of
14 Agriculture to implement the 2003-04 emergency agricultural disaster assistance legislation in
15 the same manner as the 2001-02 legislation; to specifically include paragraph 83 of the 5-DAP
16 handbook, which grants to the Farm Service Agency's Technical Committee the authority to
17 provide quality loss payments according to commodity market discounts prevalent in each
18 state; and to use pertinent commodity price data to accurately calculate the value of a
19 commodity for purposes of imposing the 95 percent cap; and

20 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
21 resolution to the President of the United States, the Secretary of the United States Department
22 of Agriculture, the United States Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency administrator
23 of farm programs, and to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.