

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3045

Introduced by

Representatives Conrad, Delmore, Dosch, Wieland

Senators Fischer, Wardner

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the feasibility and desirability
2 of authorizing nonprofit organizations to participate in a government self-insurance pool.

3 **WHEREAS**, many nonprofit organizations in North Dakota qualify for 501(c)(3)
4 recognition by the federal Internal Revenue Service; and

5 **WHEREAS**, 501(c)(3) organizations provide medical and recreational services, human
6 services, and cultural activities that may not otherwise be available; and

7 **WHEREAS**, nonprofit organizations are generally supported through charitable
8 contributions or government contracts; and

9 **WHEREAS**, many nonprofit organizations have experienced significantly increased
10 insurance costs in recent years even though legal claims against nonprofit organizations in this
11 state have been minimal compared to similar organizations in other states; and

12 **WHEREAS**, although political subdivisions in the state have maintained low insurance
13 rates through a government self-insurance pool, nonprofit organizations have not been afforded
14 the opportunity to participate in the self-insurance pool; and

15 **WHEREAS**, allowing nonprofit organizations to participate in a government
16 self-insurance pool would reduce costs for political subdivisions that contract for services with
17 nonprofit organizations and reduce the portion of contributions made by the public to nonprofit
18 organizations which must be devoted to insurance costs; and

19 **WHEREAS**, a study of methods through which nonprofit organizations could be
20 included within a government self-insurance pool may determine an effective solution for
21 reducing insurance costs for nonprofit organizations;

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

24 That the Legislative Council study the feasibility and desirability of authorizing nonprofit
25 organizations to participate in a government self-insurance pool; and

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