Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2070

Introduced by

Human Services Committee

(At the request of the Department of Human Services)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide for application by the department of human services for federal
- 2 funds for the implementation of an aging and disability resource center; to provide an
- 3 appropriation; and to declare an emergency.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- 5 SECTION 1. Application for aging and disability resource center funding. No later
- 6 than December 31, 2007, the department of human services shall seek federal funds for the
- 7 planning and implementation of an aging and disability resource center for the state. The
- 8 resource center will be a single point of information program at the community level which will
- 9 help people make informed decisions about the full range of long-term care service and support
- 10 options and which will provide information and assistance to individuals needing either public or
- 11 private resources, to professionals seeking assistance on behalf of their clients, and to
- 12 individuals planning for their future long-term care needs. Upon receipt of federal funds, the
- 13 department of human services may establish the aging and disability resource center or it may
- 14 request bids and award a contract for the provision of this service.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$40,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, and from special funds derived from federal funds, the sum of \$800,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary to the department of human services for the purpose of establishing or contracting for the provision of an aging and disability resource center, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2009.

21 **SECTION 3. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.