

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4007

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress and the Food and Drug Administration to end the
2 marketing and advertising of e-cigarettes to youth.

3 **WHEREAS**, e-cigarettes are known by many different names, including "e-cigs",
4 "e-hookahs", "mods", "vape pens", "vapes", "tank systems", and "electronic nicotine delivery
5 systems"; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports e-cigarettes are
7 the most commonly used tobacco products among youth, with 2018 CDC data showing
8 3.6 million middle and high school students used e-cigarettes in the past 30 days; and

9 **WHEREAS**, e-cigarettes are available in more than 7,000 fruit and candy flavors and
10 advertising and marketing use cartoons and celebrities, which are appealing to youth; and

11 **WHEREAS**, e-cigarettes contain nicotine, which is a highly addictive drug and has
12 immediate biochemical effects on the brain and body; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has found e-cigarettes contain a
14 number of toxins, carcinogens, and components suspected of being harmful to humans and
15 acknowledges consumers of e-cigarettes have no way of knowing whether e-cigarettes are safe
16 or how much nicotine or other potentially harmful chemicals are being inhaled; and

17 **WHEREAS**, although the FDA has banned youth marketing techniques and advertising for
18 cigarettes and the FDA has taken the first step in establishing FDA oversight of e-cigarettes,
19 there are no federal restrictions preventing the sale and advertising of e-cigarettes to youth;

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

22 That the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly urges the Congress of the United States and the
23 FDA to end the marketing and advertising of e-cigarettes to youth; and

- 1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution
- 2 to the each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation and the Commissioner of
- 3 the Food and Drug Administration.