

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3015

Introduced by

Representatives Dobervich, P. Anderson, Buffalo, Mitskog, M. Nelson

Senators Hogan, Mathern

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying the feasibility
2 and desirability of implementing a community health worker program, including
3 recommendations regarding a definition of a community health worker, the scope of work of a
4 community health worker, the infrastructure for training of community health workers, the
5 development of a community health worker certification process and related training curriculum
6 and continuing education requirements, a strategy for community health worker services being
7 Medicaid-reimbursed services, and private insurers' use of community health workers.

8 **WHEREAS**, community health workers serve as a connection between health care
9 professionals' care and patients' home-based implementation of that care; and

10 **WHEREAS**, utilization of community health workers is an evidence-based approach to
11 chronic disease prevention and management; and

12 **WHEREAS**, utilization of community health workers has been evidenced to reduce
13 nonemergent utilization of emergency and specialty services;

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

16 That the Legislative Management consider studying the feasibility and desirability of
17 implementing a community health worker program, including recommendations regarding a
18 definition of a community health worker, the scope of work of a community health worker, the
19 infrastructure for training of community health workers, the development of a community health
20 worker certification process and related training curriculum and continuing education
21 requirements, a strategy for community health worker services being Medicaid-reimbursed
22 services, and private insurers' use of community health workers.

23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Management report its findings and
24 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
25 the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly.