Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4011**

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution requesting the Legislative Management to consider studying the issue

2 of food allergy safety and awareness in the food service industry, the regulatory burden of

3 potentially implementing a mandatory food allergy awareness program, and the potential costs

4 associated with a mandatory food allergy awareness program.

5 WHEREAS, food allergies affect up to fifteen million Americans; and

6 WHEREAS, North Dakota does not require food allergy safety and awareness training in

7 the restaurant industry; and

8 WHEREAS, implementing a food allergy awareness program requiring restaurants to give

9 notice requesting patrons to inform the restaurant of any food allergies affecting the patron,

10 requiring food service employees to receive training regarding food allergies, and requiring food

11 service employees to inform patrons of potential allergens in menu items will enhance the

12 safety and the restaurant dining experience for patrons with food allergies;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE

14 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

15 That the Legislative Management consider studying the issue of food allergy safety and

16 awareness in the food service industry, the regulatory burden of potentially implementing a

17 mandatory food allergy awareness program, and the potential costs associated with a

18 mandatory food allergy awareness program; and

19 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Management report its findings and

20 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to

21 the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly.