Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3014

Introduced by

Representatives Dobervich, Mitskog, Mock, Rohr, Schneider, Schreiber-Beck, Tveit, Westlind Senators Anderson, Hogan, Kannianen, K. Roers

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying solutions to

2 provider and end-user barriers to access to and utilization of telehealth services in this state.

3 WHEREAS, telehealth is an evidence-based best practice for expanding access to care for

4 North Dakota's rural and tribal communities and for areas experiencing health care workforce

5 shortages; and

6 **WHEREAS**, limited evaluation and research information is available publicly regarding

7 North Dakota telehealth end users to apply to developing, expanding, and resourcing telehealth

8 services in North Dakota; and

9 WHEREAS, Internet service access, access to electronic devices, reimbursement,

10 regulations, sustainability, transportation, and interoperability have been identified as potential

11 barriers to telehealth services efficacy for populations who may experience the greatest benefit

12 from telehealth;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF

14 NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

15 That the Legislative Management consider studying solutions to provider and end-user

16 barriers to access to and utilization of telehealth services in this state; and

17 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Management report its finding and

18 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendation, to

19 the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly.