

Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly, State of North Dakota, begun in the Capitol in the City of Bismarck, on Monday, the sixth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3005
(Legislative Council)
(Budget Committee on Home and Community Care)

A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study Native American long-term care needs and access to appropriate services and the functional relationship between state service units and the Native American reservation service systems.

WHEREAS, during the 1995-96 interim the Department of Human Services and the Department of Health formed a Task Force on Long-Term Care Planning and presented recommendations to the Legislative Council's Budget Committee on Home and Community Care and Insurance and Health Care Committee; and

WHEREAS, in the area of long-term care service inventory, distribution, and alternatives, it was reported long-term care services within North Dakota Native American service areas and reservations vary widely, ranging from a nontribe owned and operated nursing facility to unlicensed facilities and home-based care provided under several entitlement programs; and

WHEREAS, coordination and application of various Native American long-term care programs and service components are directed by tribal policy and organizational structure; and

WHEREAS, some states, including the state of Washington, have specially targeted service programs for residents of reservations and case management has been employed to coordinate the care arrangement and delivery; and

WHEREAS, various noninstitutional care components appear to be available on reservations, but service arrangement and delivery may not be adequately coordinated and case management services for elderly reservation residents, if available, could result in a significant increase in the effectiveness of service delivery for that population;

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

That the Legislative Council study Native American long-term care and case management needs and access to appropriate services and the functional relationship between state service units and the Native American reservation service systems; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislative Council report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 1997,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State