

**Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Thursday, January 3, 2019**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4014
(Senators Hogan, J. Lee, Mathern)
(Representatives Devlin, Weisz)

A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying the implementation of the recommendations of the Human Services Research Institute's study of North Dakota's behavioral health system.

WHEREAS, in 2017-18, the Human Services Research Institute conducted a comprehensive study of North Dakota's behavioral health system for the Behavioral Health Division of the Department of Human Services; and

WHEREAS, a main objective of the study was to provide actionable recommendations for enhancing the comprehensiveness, integration, and cost-effectiveness of the state's behavioral health system to effectively meet the needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, in conducting the study, the Human Services Research Institute conducted focus groups, community listening sessions, and interviews around the state; and

WHEREAS, in April 2018, the Human Services Research Institute issued its final report detailing its findings from the study; and

WHEREAS, the Human Services Research Institute's behavioral health analysis identified 13 categories and 65 specific recommendations to direct future behavioral health public policy and services;

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

That the Legislative Management consider studying the implementation of the recommendations of the Human Services Research Institute's study of North Dakota's behavioral health system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in conducting the study, the Legislative Management receive regular updates on each of the major recommendation areas from the report; identify the availability, access, and delivery of behavioral health services; seek input from stakeholders, including law enforcement, social and clinical service providers, medical providers, mental health advocacy organizations, emergency medical service providers, juvenile court personnel, educators, tribal governments, and state and local agencies; and consider options for improving access and the availability for behavioral health care; and

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2019,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State