A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying state and federal veterans' programs, the programs' eligibility requirements, and the efficiency of public or private entities responsible for the administration of state and federal veterans' programs to ensure all current and future North Dakota veterans receive the care, assistance, and benefits to which the veterans are entitled.

WHEREAS, the Administrative Committee on Veterans' Affairs was established on July 1, 1971, and is responsible for the organization, policy, and general administration of all veterans' affairs in North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Department of Veterans' Affairs is to assist veterans of North Dakota and their dependents in obtaining all state and federal benefits to which they are entitled; and

WHEREAS, the federal and state benefits available to eligible veterans and their dependents include health care benefits, employment benefits and assistance, educational benefits and tuition assistance, and housing assistance; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive review of all state and federal veterans' programs and the programs' eligibility requirements, and an assessment of the efficiency of public or private entities responsible for the administration of state and federal veterans' programs is necessary to ensure all current and future North Dakota veterans receive the care, assistance, and benefits to which the veterans are entitled;

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

That the Legislative Management consider studying state and federal veterans' programs, the programs' eligibility requirements, and the efficiency of public or private entities responsible for the administration of state and federal veterans' programs to ensure all current and future North Dakota veterans receive the care, assistance, and benefits to which the veterans are entitled; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the study must include consultation with the Administrative Committee on Veterans' Affairs, the Department of Veterans' Affairs, the Adjutant General, and any veterans organization seeking to provide input; 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.
Filed in this office this _________ day of ________________________________, 2019,

at _______ o’clock _______ M.

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Secretary of State