Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3019

Introduced by

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the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly.

Representatives Headland, Brandenburg, D. Johnson, Mitskog, Schmidt, Schreiber-Beck Senators Sorvaag, Wanzek

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying the fiscal and 2 safety impacts of United States Fish and Wildlife Service easements in North Dakota on the 3 Department of Transportation, Department of Agriculture, and counties. 4 WHEREAS, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service owns perpetual easements in North 5 Dakota, including easements adjacent to roadways; and 6 WHEREAS, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service may impose regulatory 7 requirements on state agencies and political subdivisions constructing or improving roads or 8 engaging in other projects when the United States Fish and Wildlife Service deems its interests 9 would be impacted by the projects; and 10 WHEREAS, the imposition of federal requirements may delay or otherwise negatively 11 impact the construction and improvement of roads or other projects in North Dakota; and 12 WHEREAS, delays and other impacts from federal requirements may impede road 13 improvements and repairs necessary for public safety and increase the cost of construction to 14 the state and political subdivisions; 15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF 16 NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN: 17 That the Legislative Management consider studying the fiscal and safety impacts of United 18 States Fish and Wildlife Service easements in North Dakota on the Department of 19 Transportation, Department of Agriculture, and counties. 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislative Management reports its findings and 21 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to