

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Urging the South Dakota Board of Regents to continue to pursue collaborative efforts with the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education.

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Board of Regents and the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education have initiated discussion regarding cooperative ventures between the two university systems; and

WHEREAS, during the 1996 interim, the South Dakota Legislative Research Council and the North Dakota Legislative Council established the North Dakota/South Dakota Commission to study and identify ways that the two states can collaborate to deliver government services more efficiently; and

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Board of Regents and the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education participated in the deliberations on the North Dakota/South Dakota Commission and identified several areas for potential cooperation between the two university systems, including exploration of cooperative purchasing arrangements, implementation of joint student follow-up processes, development and improvement of research infrastructure and research capabilities, provision of services by the academic community to the public sector, distance education, the development of information systems, and provision of reciprocity between the states for certain low-enrollment programs:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Seventy-second Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the South Dakota Board of Regents and the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education are urged to continue to pursue collaborative efforts between the two systems. Copies of this resolution are to be forwarded to the South Dakota Board of Regents and the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education.

Adopted by the Senate,

January 18, 1997

Concurred in by the House of Representatives,

January 24, 1997

Carole Hillard
President of the Senate

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