Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

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1	A concurrent resolution urging Congress to provide for consistent grain grading.
2	WHEREAS, the production and sale of wheat directly impacts the economic well-being
3	of farmers and country elevators, and indirectly impacts rural communities, the state, and the
4	nation; and
5	WHEREAS, the efficient marketing of grain depends upon the consistent application of
6	a grain grading system; and
7	WHEREAS, inconsistencies between the test results of wheat that is first graded at
8	country elevators and then graded at destination ports result in country elevators being placed
9	at substantial financial risk; and
10	WHEREAS, grain grading standards that differ depending on where and to whom they
11	are applied cause mistrust and raise concerns about the quality of American products;
12	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE OF
13	NORTH DAKOTA, THE CONCURRING THEREIN:
14	That the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly urges the Congress of the United States to
15	provide for consistent grain grading; and
16	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
17	resolution to the Secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture and to each member
18	of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.

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