



2025 South Dakota Legislature

House Concurrent Resolution 6003

Introduced by: **Representative** Hansen

1 **A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, To provide for an interim study regarding property**
2 **tax reduction and preservation of the American dream to own a home.**

3 WHEREAS, home ownership is a cornerstone of the American dream, fostering financial
4 security, stable communities, and generational prosperity; and

5 WHEREAS, rising property taxes place an increasing financial burden on the homeowners
6 of this state, make it more difficult for young families to afford their first home, for middle-
7 class families to maintain financial stability, and for retirees on fixed incomes to remain in
8 their homes; and

9 WHEREAS, it is a fundamental responsibility of the Legislature to be a prudent steward of
10 the taxpayers' money, ensuring that every dollar taken from the people of this state in the
11 form of taxes is necessary, justified, and used efficiently; and

12 WHEREAS, responsible stewardship requires a thorough review of government spending
13 at both the state and local levels to identify inefficiencies, redundancies, and non-essential
14 expenditures that contribute to an excessive tax burden on homeowners; and

15 WHEREAS, property tax relief is critical to ensuring that home ownership remains
16 accessible and sustainable for future generations of this state;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the One
18 Hundredth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the
19 Executive Board of the Legislative Research Council establish an interim committee to conduct
20 a comprehensive review of property tax policies and identify impactful, substantive measures
21 to provide significant and lasting tax relief for the homeowners of this state;

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the interim committee consist of:

- 1 (1) Four members of the House of Representatives, one of whom must be a member
2 of the minority party, appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;
3 (2) Four members of the House of Representatives, appointed by the majority leader
4 of the House of Representatives;
5 (3) Four members of the Senate, one of whom must be a member of the minority
6 party, appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
7 (4) Four members of the Senate appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
8 (5) The commissioner of the Bureau of Finance and Management, who shall serve in
9 an ex officio nonvoting capacity; and
10 (6) The Governor or the Lieutenant Governor, or their designee, who shall serve in an
11 ex officio nonvoting capacity; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the members of the interim committee shall select one
13 from among themselves to serve as the chair and another to serve as the vice-chair; and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the interim committee seek relevant input from
15 representatives of executive branch agencies; representatives of the political subdivisions of
16 this state, including counties, municipalities, and school districts; representatives of higher
17 education; representatives of private sector businesses and industry, including agriculture,
18 the construction trades, health care, and social service providers; and taxpayers; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the committee report its findings and recommendations,
20 together with any proposed legislation, to the Executive Board of the Legislative Research
21 Council, on or before December 1, 2025.