NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 7, 2016
Roughrider Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the minutes of the November 4, 2015, meeting

9:05 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum regarding additional responsibilities assigned to the committee relating to behavioral health occupational boards

9:10 a.m. Comments by interested persons

9:15 a.m. Committee discussion

DENTAL SERVICES STUDY

9:20 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services regarding the number of dentists enrolled in the Medicaid and children's health insurance programs and outcomes reported by providers benefiting from the department's loan repayment program

9:35 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Community HealthCare Association of the Dakotas regarding:

- Dental services offered at community health centers in the state;
- Plans to expand services in long-term care facilities and schools;
- Workforce challenges;
- Training and technical assistance opportunities for community health center oral health programs; and
- Other opportunities to improve access to dental services in the state

9:55 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the North Dakota Hospital Association regarding an update on a survey of member hospitals and information available regarding emergency room visits related to dental services

10:10 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Indian Affairs Commission regarding the credentialing process for dental assistants and dental hygienists on the reservation

10:35 a.m. Comments by interested persons

10:50 a.m. Committee discussion

STUDY OF EMPLOYMENT RESTRICTIONS IN PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

11:00 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services regarding:

- A comparison of the state's median income and the federal poverty level for recent years;
- Asset limits for public assistance programs, including information regarding the department's flexibility in setting limits; and
- A comprehensive report on public assistance programs, including income levels, unemployment rates in each county, and the effect public assistance programs have on one another

11:30 a.m. Comments by interested persons

11:50 a.m. Committee discussion

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

DEATH INVESTIGATION AND FORENSIC PATHOLOGY CENTER STUDY

1:00 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the State Department of Health regarding a summary of professionals serving as county coroners in the state and an update on the stakeholder group established by the State Department of Health, including information regarding the development of a system approach to death investigation, a regional death investigation system framework, and statewide standards for death investigation

1:20 p.m. Comments by interested persons

1:50 p.m. Committee discussion

OTHER COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

2:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum regarding funds appropriated for prevention or treatment programs relating to risk associated behavior

2:10 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives

2:30 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Senators: Judy Lee (Chairman), Howard C. Anderson Jr., Tyler Axness, Joan Heckaman, Dave Oehlke, John M. Warner

Representatives: Rich S. Becker, Alan Fehr, Dwight Kiefert, Gail Mooney, Gary Paur, Todd Porter, Karen M. Rohr, Jay Seibel, Marie Strinden

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