

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

BUDGET COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Wednesday, September 9, 1998
Roughrider Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

10:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the minutes of the June 23-24, 1998, meeting

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES STUDY

10:05 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services of a status report on the department's strategic planning process

10:35 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a resolution draft encouraging the sharing of county social services and the distribution of the resolution draft regarding the study of the Department of Human Services recommended by the committee to the Legislative Council at the June 1998 meeting

10:45 a.m. Comments by representatives of the North Dakota Association of County Social Service Board Directors regarding the resolution draft encouraging the sharing of county social services

11:15 a.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the resolution draft

11:30 a.m. Committee direction regarding the resolution draft encouraging the sharing of county social services and recommendations to the Legislative Council

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

STUDY OF SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES' RESPONSIBILITIES

1:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft regarding state and county responsibilities for subsidized adoption

1:05 p.m. Presentation by Ms. Linda Schell, Director, Children and Family Services Division, Department of Human Services, of information regarding:

- The updated fiscal impact of the bill draft regarding subsidized adoptions
- A status report on the state/county committee reviewing the responsibilities for children and family services, including:

Results of a county staff time study

Proposed core and contractual services

- An update regarding the federal Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997

2:00 p.m. Comments by Mr. Larry Bernhardt and other representatives of the North Dakota Association of County Social Service Board Directors regarding the committee's study, the bill draft regarding subsidized adoption, the Children and Family Services State/County Committee status report, and the study of county and state responsibilities for persons with disabilities and the elderly

3:00 p.m. Comments by private agencies and service contractors and other interested persons regarding the committee's study of the responsibilities of social service agencies

3:30 p.m. Committee direction regarding the bill draft and recommendations to the Legislative Council

4:00 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Senators Tim Mathern (Chairman), Bill L. Bowman, Tom Fischer, Jerome Kelsh, Judy Lee, Rod St. Aubyn, Russell T. Thane

Representatives Leonard J. Jacobs, Roxanne Jensen, Connie Johnsen, James A. Kerzman, Clara Sue Price, Wanda Rose, Ken Svedjan, Gerald O. Sveen, Janet Wentz