

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

COMMERCE AND LABOR COMMITTEE

Monday and Tuesday, July 10-11, 2000

Roughrider Room, State Capitol

Bismarck, North Dakota

Monday, July 10, 2000

8:30 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of minutes of May 8-9, 2000, meeting
Comments by Chairman Glassheim

HERITAGE TOURISM STUDY

8:35 a.m. Comments by Mr. Tracy Potter, Executive Director, Fort Abraham Lincoln Foundation, regarding the status of lease negotiations with the Parks and Recreation Department

8:40 a.m. Comments by Mr. Doug Prchal, Director, Parks and Recreation Department, regarding the status of lease negotiations with the Fort Abraham Lincoln Foundation

WORKERS' COMPENSATION REPORT

8:45 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Paul Kramer, Executive Director, Workers Compensation Bureau, of the workers' compensation safety audit of Roughrider Industries work programs and the bureau's performance audit of the modified workers' compensation coverage program

JOB SERVICE NORTH DAKOTA REPORT

9:15 a.m. Presentation by Ms. Jennifer Gladden, Executive Director, Job Service North Dakota, of a report regarding incentives to encourage an employee to decrease the length of time that employees receive unemployment compensation benefits and to encourage negative employers to become positive employers

9:45 a.m. Coffee break

RENAISSANCE ZONE REPORT

10:00 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Richard Gray, Americans with Disabilities Act Building Code Program Manager, Division of Community Services, of the progress of renaissance zones

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STUDY

10:30 a.m. Comments by Mr. John Cosgriff, Manager, InvestAmerica Investment Advisors, Inc., regarding capital investment opportunities offered by his organization

11:00 a.m. Comments by Mr. Syver Vinje, Securities Commissioner, regarding venture capital investment

11:40 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft regarding venture capital corporation incorporation requirements

Comments by interested persons

Committee discussion

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

- 1:00 p.m. Comments by Mr. Ron Ness, Executive Director, North Dakota Petroleum Council, regarding the state of the petroleum industry in the state
- 1:30 p.m. Comments by Mr. Paul Lucy, President, Economic Development Association of North Dakota, regarding proposed economic development legislation
- 2:00 p.m. Comments by Senator Tony Grindberg regarding the status of the Economic Development Connection Task Force of the Higher Education Committee
- 2:15 p.m. Coffee break
- 2:30 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft regarding education loan incentives to encourage graduates to stay in the state
Comments by interested persons
Committee discussion
- 3:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft regarding Department of Economic Development and Finance goals
Comments by interested persons
Committee discussion
- 3:30 p.m. Recess

Tuesday, July 11, 2000

- 8:30 a.m. Comments by representatives of the Department of Economic Development and Finance regarding economic development services provided by state agencies and provided by commerce departments of other states
- 9:30 a.m. Comments by teleconference of Mr. Miles Friedman, Executive Officer, and Ms. Nancy McCrea, Project Manager, National Association of State Development Agencies, regarding the association's *NASDA Report to North Dakota on Potential Fine Tuning of State Economic Development Program*
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee break
- 10:15 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft regarding the creation of a Department of Commerce
- 10:25 a.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the creation of a Department of Commerce bill draft
- 11:25 a.m. Committee discussion and directives
- 12:30 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Representatives Eliot Glassheim (Chairman), Rick Berg, Curtis E. Brekke, Byron Clark, Glen Froseth, William E. Gorder, Howard Grumbo, Nancy Johnson, George J. Keiser, Lawrence R. Klemin, Amy N. Kliniske, Dale C. Severson, Dorvan Solberg, Elwood Thorpe
Senators Tony Grindberg, Karen K. Krebsbach, Deb Mathern, Duane Mutch, Harvey Sand, Harvey D. Tallackson, Vern Thompson