

## NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

### Tentative Agenda

### **BUDGET SECTION**

Tuesday, October 8, 2002  
Senate Chamber, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of minutes of the August 22, 2002, meeting
- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Office of Management and Budget regarding:
- The status of the state general fund, as compared to original and revised projections
  - The status of the tobacco settlement collections
  - An update regarding North Dakota's homeland security issues and impacts, including state agency efforts and related budget impacts
- 9:30 a.m. Review by the Legislative Council staff of preliminary information regarding the 2003-05 biennium state general fund budget
- 9:45 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Information Technology Department on a report on performance measures and the status of state information technology projects and plans, pursuant to Section 9 of 2001 Senate Bill No. 2043 and North Dakota Century Code (NDCC) Section 54-59-19
- 10:00 a.m. Consideration of the following state agency requests that have been authorized by the Emergency Commission and require consideration by the Budget Section:
- **Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (Request #1410)** - To increase spending authority by \$125,000 to accept federal funds from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice, Victim of Crime Act (VOCA), for crime victim services line item to passthrough to local agencies that assist crime victims
  - **Mill and Elevator Association (Request #1412)** - To increase special funds spending authority by \$3,500,000 for salary line item (\$300,000) and for operating line item (\$3,200,000) for insurance premium (\$1,100,000); overtime (\$300,000); repairs and utilities (\$1,150,000); demurrage (\$150,000); laboratory supplies and fumigations (\$300,000); and interest expense (\$500,000) because of higher than anticipated expenses resulting from the aftermath of September 11 events and the Mill and Elevator Association's record production and shipment volumes
  - **Department of Human Services (Request #1415)** - To increase spending authority by \$18,839,639 to accept federal funds (\$18,172,779) from the United States Department of Health and Human Services (\$10,598,175) and the United States Department of Agriculture (\$7,574,604) and other funds from the agency's child support collections (\$666,860) for grants - assistance payments line item (\$18,839,639) to be used for temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) (\$3,130,404); for child care assistance (\$1,053,433); for low-income home energy assistance (LIHEAP) (\$7,081,198); and for food stamp - electronic benefit

transfer (\$7,574,604); resulting from increased caseload and because of changes to federal regulations that will provide funding for additional benefits being available to recipients

- **Public Service Commission (Request #1416)** - To increase other funds spending authority for the operating line item by \$69,000 from the Public Service Commission's valuation fund to pay expenses related to the analysis, research, and hearing for a telecommunications utility's request for proposed fee schedule for interconnection, unbundled network elements, and resale
- **Adjutant General (Request #1417)** - To increase spending authority by \$5 million to accept federal funds from the National Guard Bureau for army guard contracts line item for maintenance and repair projects at federally supported assets located at the Camp Grafton Training Facility, Devils Lake, and the Raymond Bohn Armory Complex, Bismarck
- **Department of Commerce (Request #1419)** - To increase spending authority by \$117,595 to accept federal funds from the United States Department of Health and Human Services (state commission administration and professional development assistance training) for salary line item (\$45,720); operating line item (\$63,875); equipment line item (\$8,000); and one FTE position for the North Dakota State Commission on National and Community Service, created by Executive Order 2002-02.3 (revised July 19, 2002) and as authorized by the federal National and Community Services Act of 1990, to develop and communicate a statewide vision to encourage citizen engagement in service to youth and community
- **Department of Parks and Recreation (Request #1420)** - To increase other funds spending authority by \$150,000 for operating line item (\$135,000) and extraordinary repairs line item (\$15,000) for expenses related to park operations, moving, and geothermal lighting
- **Division of Emergency Management (Request #1422)** - To increase spending authority by \$265,000 to accept federal funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for grants line item for predisaster mitigation program to conduct local and regional mitigation planning activities to meet the requirements of the Disaster Management Act of 2000
- **Division of Emergency Management (Request #1423)** - To increase spending authority by \$1,955,000 to accept federal funds from FEMA (\$1,725,000) and to accept other funds (\$230,000), from the proceeds of loan from the Bank of North Dakota (borrowed in accordance with the provisions of North Dakota Century Code Section 37-17.1-23) for salaries line item (\$65,400); operating line item (\$21,110); and for grants line item (\$1,868,490) for expenses related to the spring 2002 flooding disaster declaration

11:00 a.m.

Presentation by a representative of the Workers Compensation Bureau regarding:

- The status of the risk management workers' compensation program, pursuant to NDCC Section 65-04-03.1
- The progress of construction and proposed rental space within the new Workers Compensation Bureau building, pursuant to Section 5 of 2001 House Bill No. 1024
- The provision of extraterritorial workers' compensation insurance, pursuant to NDCC Section 65-08.1-02

- 11:30 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Commerce on the performance measures and the status of the Department of Commerce, pursuant to Section 7 of 2001 Senate Bill No. 2019
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess
- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Human Services on the status of actual medical assistance expenditures to date compared to projections and whether the actual expenditures for the biennium are anticipated to exceed funding appropriated, pursuant to Section 20 of 2001 House Bill No. 1012
- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the North Dakota University System office regarding workforce training funds raised in each region during the 2002 fiscal year, pursuant to Section 5 of Senate Bill No. 2020
- 2:15 p.m. Comments by a representative of the Administrative Committee on Veterans Affairs regarding the Veterans Home performance audit, including the committee action addressing the audit recommendations relating to the management of the Veterans Home
- 3:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum on block grant hearings required during the 2003 legislative session and a resolution draft authorizing the Budget Section to hold any legislative block grant hearings required during the 2003-04 interim
- 3:15 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum on federal funds to be received by state agencies during the 2001-03 and 2003-05 bienniums
- 3:30 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Budget Committee on Government Services on the committee's July 10, 2002, budget tour of the International Peace Garden, and the committee's July 11, 2002, budget tours of the North Central Human Service Center and the State Fair
- 3:45 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Budget Committee on Human Services on the committee's September 4, 2002, budget tours of the Lake Region Human Service Center, School for the Deaf, and Camp Grafton, and the committee's September 5, 2002, budget tour of the Developmental Center
- 4:00 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 4:15 p.m. Adjourn

### **Committee Members**

Representatives Ken Svedjan(Chairman), Ole Aarsvold, Wesley R. Belter, LeRoy G. Bernstein, James Boehm, Merle Boucher, Rex R. Byerly, Ron Carlisle, Jeff Delzer, Eliot Glassheim, Pam Gulleon, Robert Huether, Keith Kempenich, James Kerzman, Kim Koppelman, Bob Martinson, David Monson, Bob Skarphol, Blair Thoreson, Mike Timm, Francis J. Wald, John M. Warner, Amy Warnke, Janet Wentz

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