

## NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

### Tentative Agenda

### **BUDGET SECTION**

Wednesday, October 15, 2003  
Senate Chamber, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 10:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of minutes of the June 24, 2003, meeting
- 10:05 a.m. Presentations by a representative of the Office of Management and Budget on:
- The status of the state general fund
  - The status of the tobacco settlement proceeds
  - Any line item transfers to accommodate information technology funding reductions, pursuant to Section 8 of 2003 House Bill No. 1505
  - The status of state employee position reductions and expected agency budgetary savings, pursuant to Section 1 of 2003 Senate Bill No. 2423
- 10:30 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Human Services on:
- The anticipated reduction of federal funds for the last nine months of the 2003-05 biennium and for the 2005-07 biennium as a result of federal medical assistance percentage changes
  - Medicaid caseload projections through the 2005-07 biennium
  - The status of amounts received due to the enhanced federal medical assistance percentage compared to original projections
  - Plans to spend \$8 million of anticipated general fund savings resulting from the increased federal medical assistance percentage and the areas of excess spending authority within the department's 2003-05 budget that allows the additional federal funds spending
- 11:15 a.m. Presentations by the Legislative Council staff regarding:
- How legislation that requires the Department of Human Services to operate the medical services program within the funding levels approved by the 58th Legislative Assembly relates to the use of additional federal funds and available general fund savings for the Medicaid program
  - The possibility of depositing federal funds the state will receive under the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003 in a special fund
  - The process used in the past to accept significant federal funds available to the state
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess
- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the University of North Dakota regarding:
- A lease agreement with the University of North Dakota Alumni Foundation to expand the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences Family Practice Clinic facility in Minot

- A request for Budget Section approval of an addition to the Native American Center in the amount of \$500,000 of other funds, pursuant to North Dakota Century Code (NDCC) Section 48-02-20
- A request for Budget Section approval to increase other funds spending authority for the laboratory renovation at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences by \$750,000, pursuant to NDCC Section 15-10-12.1

1:30 p.m.

Presentation by a representative of the Veterans Home governing board on:

- The status of the Veterans Home governing board's process in developing and implementing the Veterans Home strategic plan, pursuant to Section 4 of 2003 House Bill No. 1007
- The status of implementation of Veterans Home performance audit recommendations
- The Veterans Home Emergency Commission Request #1443 from June 2003

2:00 p.m.

Presentation by a representative of the Game and Fish Department on a land acquisition of 388.46 acres in McKenzie County that requires Budget Section approval, pursuant to NDCC Section 20.1-02-05.1

2:15 p.m.

Committee consideration of the following state agency requests that have been authorized by the Emergency Commission and require consideration by the Budget Section:

- **Department of Insurance (Request #1457)** - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$150,000 to accept carryover funds from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for the operating line item for the senior health insurance counseling program created for Medicare beneficiaries who have questions about coverage, claims, and appeals
- **Office of Management and Budget - State Radio Division (Request #1460)** - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$1,127,500 from the United States Department of Homeland Security and the operating line item (\$127,500) and capital assets line item (\$1 million) to upgrade the communications infrastructure from an analog to a digital environment
- **Office of Management and Budget - State Radio Division (Request #1461)** - To receive federal passthrough funds from the Division of Emergency Management and increase the operating line item by \$250,000 for the development of a computer-aided dispatch center for State Radio
- **Office of Management and Budget - Risk Management Division (Request #1462)** - To accept federal funds from the United States Department of Homeland Security and increase spending authority by \$300,000 and the operating line item (\$288,663) and capital assets line item (\$11,337) for development of a web site to support the state's continuum of government project and fund state employee software training to develop continuity of operations and continuum of government plans
- **Department of Agriculture (Request #1464)** - To increase federal funds spending authority and the noxious weeds line item by \$203,300 to accept funds from the United States Forest Service to provide funds to county weed boards for noxious weed control, including leafy spurge and other noxious weeds
- **Department of Agriculture (Request #1466)** - To increase federal funds spending authority and the Board of Animal Health line item by \$577,288 to accept funds from the United States Department of Agriculture for Johnes

disease control, homeland security, scrapie control, swine health production, foot-and-mouth disease, and bovine spongiform encephalopathy

- **Department of Agriculture (Request #1467)** - To increase federal funds spending authority and the grants line item by \$60,000 to accept funds from the United States Department of Agriculture for reimbursement of a portion of certification expenses incurred by certain organic producers, handlers, and processors as part of the national organic program
- **Department of Health (Request #1468)** - To increase federal funds spending authority from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention bioterrorism grant (\$127,000) and special funds spending authority from air contaminant program fees (\$208,000) and the capital assets line item by \$335,000 for additional costs to complete the east laboratory building remodeling project
- **Department of Health (Request #1469)** - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$300,000 and the salaries and wages line item (\$105,000) and operating line item (\$195,000) to accept funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for a comprehensive cancer control planning program
- **Department of Health (Request #1470)** - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$6,540,000 and the salaries and wages line item (\$150,000), operating line item (\$2.4 million), capital assets line item (\$650,000), and grants line item (\$3,340,000) to accept new funds from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) (\$2.6 million) and expend carryover funds from HRSA (\$470,000) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (\$3,470,000) for a chemical terrorism preparedness and response program
- **Department of Labor (Request #1472)** - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$375,000 and the salaries and wages line item (\$100,000) and operating line item (\$275,000) to accept federal funds from conducting investigations of employment discrimination complaints for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and from conducting investigations of housing discrimination complaints for the Department of Housing and Urban Development
- **Division of Emergency Management (Request #1473)** - To increase the operating line item by \$159,000 of federal funds received through the State Department of Health to conduct incident command training in the eight bioterrorism planning regions of the state
- **Indian Affairs Commission (Request #1474)** - To receive federal passthrough funds from the Department of Human Services and increase the operating line item by \$85,500 to design a framework for a culturally congruent model for home and community-based care for American Indian aged and disabled
- **Division of Emergency Management (Request #1475)** - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$13.2 million for salaries and wages (\$300,500); operating expenses (\$127,000); capital assets (\$33,000); and grants (\$12,739,500)
- **State Historical Society (Request #1476)** - To increase federal funds spending authority and the capital assets line item by \$901,000 to accept funds from Housing and Urban Development (\$850,000) and Institute of Museum and Library Services (\$51,000) to complete the Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center and the military barracks at Fort Buford Historic Site near Williston

- **State Historical Society (Request #1477)** - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$220,000 to accept passthrough funds granted to the Department of Transportation by the United States Department of Transportation (\$100,000) and federal funds from the United States Bureau of Land Management (\$52,000) and the United States Department of Interior, Federal Historic Preservation (\$68,000) for the salary line item (\$120,000), the operating line item (\$92,000), and the capital assets line item (\$8,000) for continued development and enhancement of a geographic mapping system for cultural sites
- **State Historical Society (Request #1478)** - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$150,000 to accept federal funds from the United States Bureau of Reclamation for the salaries line item (\$120,000) and the operating line item (\$30,000) for developing a data base of Bureau of Reclamation collections for which the State Historical Society is the curator
- **State Historical Society (Request #1479)** - To increase federal funds spending authority and the capital assets line item by \$250,000 to accept passthrough funds granted to the Department of Transportation by the United States Department of Transportation enhancement grant program for improvements at the Gingras State Historic Site near Walhalla.

2:30 p.m.	Presentation by a representative of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation on the status of contracting with counties to house female inmates, pursuant to Section 5 of 2003 House Bill No. 1506
2:45 p.m.	Presentation by a representative of the Southwest Multi-County Correction Center on the status of contracting with counties to house female inmates, pursuant to Section 5 of 2003 House Bill No. 1506
3:00 p.m.	Presentation by a representative of the Information Technology Department regarding a summary of the department's annual report, pursuant to NDCC Section 54-59-19
3:30 p.m.	Presentation by a representative of Workforce Safety and Insurance on the status of the risk management workers' compensation program, pursuant to NDCC Section 65-04-03.1(5)
3:50 p.m.	Presentation by a representative of the Department of Commerce Division of Community Services on the annual audits of renaissance fund organizations, pursuant to NDCC Section 40-63-07(9)
4:05 p.m.	Committee discussion and staff directives
4:15 p.m.	Adjourn

#### **Committee Members**

Representatives Ken Svedjan (Chairman), Ole Aarsvold, Larry Bellew, Rick Berg, Merle Boucher, Thomas Brusegaard, Ron Carlisle, Al Carlson, Jeff Delzer, Eliot Glassheim, Pam Gullerson, Keith Kempenich, James Kerzman, Kim Koppelman, Joe Kroeber, Bob Martinson, Ralph Metcalf, David Monson, Earl Rennerfeldt, Bob Skarphol, Blair Thoreson, Mike Timm, Francis J. Wald, John Warner, Amy Warnke

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