

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

BUDGET SECTION

Wednesday, December 5, 2012
Senate Chamber, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 11:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the minutes of the September 20, 2012, meeting
- *11:05 a.m. Budget Section consideration of the following state agency request pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Chapter 54-16 that was authorized by the Emergency Commission and requires consideration by the Budget Section:
- **Attorney General (Request #1808)** - Request for \$206,200 from the state contingencies appropriation for the operating expenses line item (\$64,200) to reimburse political subdivisions for prosecution witness fees and related expenses and for the litigation fees line item (\$142,000) for estimated expenses associated with ongoing legal cases (\$74,600) and for costs of arbitration hearings related to the multistate arbitration hearings concerning funds due the state from the Master Settlement Agreement with tobacco companies (\$67,400)
- 11:30 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute of additional information regarding the final report on transportation infrastructure needs pursuant to Section 1 of 2011 Senate Bill No. 2325, including:
- Data identifying road infrastructure needs by county and township
 - Maps identifying road repair and improvement projects and the estimated funding needed to complete projects within each level
 - Summary assessment of investment and maintenance needs of county and township bridges
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess
- 1:00 p.m. Presentations by representatives of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regarding:
- Status of the general fund
 - Irregularities in the fiscal practices of the state pursuant to Section 54-14-03.1
 - Reports from state agencies applying for federal grants estimated to be \$25,000 or more pursuant to Section 54-27-27
 - Monthly project variance reports from the State Board of Higher Education pursuant to Section 15-10-47
 - Estimated turnback for the 2011-13 biennium
 - Executive budget revenue forecast for the 2013-15 biennium; one-time revenues, including beginning balance; deficiency requests; and proposed statutory changes affecting revenues
 - Plans for presenting the legislative revenue forecast potentially to be scheduled for February 12, 2013

- 1:20 p.m. Presentation by a representative of Economy.com regarding:
- North Dakota economic outlook, including oil prices and agriculture commodity prices
 - Impact of the state's oil industry on state revenues
 - Projections for the value of the dollar and its effect on the North Dakota economy
 - Economic assumptions included in the executive budget revenue forecast for the 2013-15 biennium
 - Taxable sales and purchases forecasts by major category
- 2:10 p.m. Presentation by representatives of OMB on the 2013-15 executive budget recommendations for:
- Ongoing revenues and appropriations
 - One-time revenues and appropriations
 - Tax changes
 - Changes to tax distribution formulas
 - State employee compensation and benefits
 - Elementary, secondary, and vocational education
 - Higher education institutions and the North Dakota University System office
 - State Department of Health
 - Department of Human Services
 - Public safety agencies, including the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and the Highway Patrol
 - Agricultural and economic development agencies, including the North Dakota State University Extension Service and the Agricultural Experiment Station
 - Natural resource agencies, including the State Water Commission and the Game and Fish Department
 - Department of Transportation
 - Other state agencies and institutions
 - Information technology projects
 - Capital projects
 - Use of bonding for capital projects and the impact of the limit on general fund lease payments
- 3:10 p.m. Presentation by a representative of OMB on specified commodities and services exempted from procurement requirements of Section 54-44.4-02.2
- 3:15 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation regarding the prison expansion project pursuant to Section 5 of 2011 House Bill No. 1015
- 3:20 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the State Department of Health regarding United States Environmental Protection Agency litigation and other administrative proceedings pursuant to Section 5 of 2011 House Bill No. 1004
- 3:25 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Industrial Commission regarding the status of any litigation or other administrative proceedings associated with the United States Environmental Protection Agency's effort to regulate hydraulic fracturing pursuant to Section 28 of 2011 Senate Bill No. 2371

- 3:30 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Insurance Department regarding the status of provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act pursuant to Section 9 of 2011 Senate Bill No. 2010
- 3:35 p.m. Distribution by the Legislative Council staff of a report from the Tobacco Prevention and Control Executive Committee regarding the implementation of the comprehensive tobacco prevention and control plan pursuant to Section 2 of 2011 House Bill No. 1025
- 3:40 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn

***This item includes a request for Budget Section action.**

Committee Members

Senators Tony Grindberg (Chairman), Bill L. Bowman, Ron Carlisle, Robert Erbele, Joan Heckaman, Ray Holmberg, Ralph Kilzer, Jerry Klein, Karen K. Krebsbach, Gary A. Lee, Tim Mathern, David O'Connell, Larry J. Robinson, Mac Schneider, Terry M. Wanzek, Rich Wardner, John M. Warner
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