

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

WORKERS' COMPENSATION REVIEW COMMITTEE

Wednesday, August 21, 2013
Harvest Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

2:00 p.m. Call to order
Roll call
Comments by the Chairman

2:10 p.m. Review of the *Supplementary Rules of Operation and Procedure of the North Dakota Legislative Management*

CLAIM REVIEWS

2:15 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of the review procedure and application forms used by the Workers' Compensation Review Committee during the 2011-12 interim

Introduction of Workforce Safety and Insurance (WSI) staff who participate in the claim review process

Comments by interested persons

Committee discussion and directives regarding the case review procedure, applicant access, and application forms for the 2013-14 interim

REPORTS AND STUDY

2:45 p.m. Review of reports the committee is charged with receiving:

- Report from the Director of WSI, the Chairman of the WSI Board of Directors, and the audit firm regarding the quadrennial performance evaluation of WSI and select no more than four elements for inclusion in the performance evaluation (North Dakota Century Code Section 65-02-30)
- Biennial report from WSI regarding compiled data relating to safety grants issued under Chapter 65-03 (Section 65-03-05)
- Annual report from WSI which includes reports on pilot programs to assess alternative methods of providing rehabilitation services (Section 65-05.1-06.3)
- Report from WSI on recommendations based on a biennial safety review of Roughrider Industries work programs and a biennial performance review of the program of modified workers' compensation coverage by WSI (Section 65-06.2-09)

Overview of 2013 House Bill No. 1051, which charges the committee to study the WSI preferred provider program created under Sections 65-05-28.1 and 65-05-28.2

BACKGROUND

2:55 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Bryan Klipfel, Executive Director and CEO, Workforce Safety and Insurance, providing an overview of WSI and WSI trends and initiatives

Comments by interested persons

3:15 p.m. Presentation by Ms. Jodi Bjornson, General Counsel, Workforce Safety and Insurance, providing a review of 2013 workers' compensation legislation

Comments by interested persons

PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

- 3:35 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Gordy Smith, Audit Manager, State Auditor's Office, regarding an overview of the quadrennial WSI performance evaluation, the status of the 2014 performance evaluation, and elements that will be included in the 2014 performance evaluation
- 4:05 p.m. Comments by Mr. Klipfel regarding the status of the most recent WSI performance evaluation and proposed elements for inclusion in the 2014 WSI performance evaluation
- 4:40 p.m. Comments by interested persons
Committee discussion and directives
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Senators Lonnie J. Laffen (Chairman), Tom Campbell, George B. Sinner
Representatives Bill Amerman, Curtiss Kreun, Gary R. Sukut

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