

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
Tentative Agenda

BUDGET COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Monday and Tuesday, July 10-11, 2006
North Central Human Service Center, Minot, North Dakota
West Central Human Service Center, Bismarck, North Dakota

Monday, July 10, 2006 - North Central Human Service Center, 400 22nd Avenue NW, Minot

- 1:00 p.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the minutes of the previous meeting

BUDGET TOUR

- 1:05 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the North Central Human Service Center of an overview of its programs, the number of clients served, current status of its 2005-07 budget, and major program changes and needs for the 2007-09 biennium
- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Northwest Human Service Center, Williston, of an overview of its programs, the number of clients served, current status of its 2005-07 budget, and major program changes and needs for the 2007-09 biennium
- 2:30 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services regarding clinical specialist services at the human service centers

MEDICAID STUDY AND REPORTS

- 3:00 p.m. Comments by a representative of the North Dakota Pharmacists Association regarding the availability and accessibility of pharmaceutical services across the state and on the appropriateness of the amounts paid by Medicaid

PUBLIC HEALTH UNIT STUDY

- 3:15 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Upper Missouri District Health Unit, Williston, regarding its services and funding
- 3:45 p.m. Tour of the North Central Human Service Center
- 4:15 p.m. Recess and travel to Bismarck

Tuesday, July 11, 2006 - West Central Human Service Center, 1237 West Divide Avenue, Suite 10, Bismarck

BUDGET TOUR

- 8:15 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the West Central Human Service Center of an overview of its programs, the number of clients served, current status of its 2005-07 budget, and major program changes and needs for the 2007-09 biennium
- 8:45 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Badlands Human Service Center, Dickinson, of an overview of its programs, the number of individuals served, current status of its 2005-07 budget, and major program changes and needs for the 2007-09 biennium
- 9:15 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation regarding the process of providing treatment services for inmates during incarceration and as a condition of parole or probation and the cost of providing treatment by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
- 9:45 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services regarding the number of individuals being referred by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for treatment services at the human service centers, the cost of providing these treatment services, and alternative treatment options

- 10:00 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the North Dakota University System office regarding the number of students accepted into its clinical specialty programs, job placement of students upon completion of the program, limits placed on the number of students accepted into these programs, and suggestions for making available more of these professionals in North Dakota
- 10:20 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the following professional boards regarding the number of professionals available in each of the eight human service regions in the state, number of hours they may have available for contracting with the state, estimated cost per hour, and suggestions for making available more of these professionals in North Dakota:
- State Board of Medical Examiners - Psychiatrists
 - State Board of Psychologist Examiners - Psychologists
 - Board for Addiction Counseling Examiners - Addiction counselors
 - Board of Social Work Examiners - Social workers
- 11:20 a.m. Comments by other interested persons
- 11:25 a.m. Committee discussion
- 11:30 a.m. Tour of the West Central Human Service Center
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess

PUBLIC HEALTH UNIT STUDY

- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of survey results relating to public health district services, funding, and other information
- 1:15 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the State Department of Health regarding:
- Involvement of public health units in the cleanup of methamphetamine laboratories
 - Anticipated federal fund reductions affecting public health services
 - A summary of the food and lodging inspection services system in North Dakota
 - Suggested legislative changes relating to the food and lodging inspection services system
 - Suggested legislative changes affecting the duties and responsibilities of the State Department of Health and public health units
- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Indian Affairs Commission regarding the coordination of public health services on Indian reservations
- 2:15 p.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the public health unit study
- 2:25 p.m. Committee discussion regarding the public health unit study

MEDICAID STUDY AND REPORTS

- 2:30 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services regarding:
- Status of the development of management initiatives for the medical assistance program and request for committee input regarding the initiatives as provided in House Bill No. 1459
 - Status of the development of the biennial medical assistance report as required by House Bill No. 1460
 - Status of activities of the prescription drug monitoring workgroup and implementation of a prescription drug monitoring program

- Status of the Medicaid management information system replacement project
- The percentage of Medicaid payments to billed charges by provider type for fiscal year 2005 and an explanation of the comparability of the numbers
- The department's review of its budget, programs, and services to determine the extent to which the department can provide for additional general fund requirements resulting from changes in the federal medical assistance percentage for North Dakota without affecting the level of services provided by the department (Section 11 of 2005 House Bill No. 1012)
- The estimated cost increase to the department, by funding source, of the Information Technology Department rate increases for the 2007-09 biennium

3:00 p.m. Comments by Medicaid service providers regarding the availability and accessibility of services across the state and on the appropriateness of amounts paid by Medicaid

3:50 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services regarding federal changes affecting the temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) program

4:05 p.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the Medicaid study and reports

4:10 p.m. Committee discussion regarding the Medicaid study and reports

CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS STUDY

4:15 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of surrounding states' programs for children with special health care needs

4:30 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services regarding the status of the department's Medicaid waiver request to provide in-home services to children with extraordinary medical needs and on the status of services being provided to "medically fragile" children

4:45 p.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the children with special health care needs study

4:55 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Senators Dick Dever (Chairman), Richard L. Brown, Tom Fischer, Aaron Krauter, Judy Lee, Russell T. Thane, John M. Warner

Representatives Jeff Delzer, William R. Devlin, Lee Kaldor, James Kerzman, Gary Kreidt, Ralph Metcalf, Jon O. Nelson, Vonnie Pietsch, Chet Pollert, Todd Porter, Louise Potter, Clara Sue Price, Sally M. Sandvig, Ken Svedjan, Gerald Uglem, Alon C. Wieland