

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

BUDGET COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Tuesday and Wednesday, September 12-13, 2006
Roughrider Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

Tuesday, September 12, 2006

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

JOINT MEETING WITH BUDGET COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

1:05 p.m. Presentation by Dr. Stephen Schondelmeyer, University of Minnesota, regarding pharmaceutical issues and research findings

3:00 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services on options for providing Medicaid services for children with special health care needs, on waivers surrounding states have submitted for programs for children with special health care needs, and on the status of the department's waiver request

3:30 p.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding services to children with special health care needs

3:45 p.m. Recess

Wednesday, September 13, 2006

CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS STUDY

9:00 a.m. Committee discussion and consideration of any committee recommendations relating to the children with special health care needs study

MEDICAID STUDY AND REPORTS

9:15 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services regarding:

- The biennial medical assistance report as required by House Bill No. 1460
- The estimated cost of increasing Medicaid payment rates to the Medicare payment rates
- Status of the development of management initiatives for the medical assistance program as provided in House Bill No. 1459
- Status of the prescription drug monitoring workgroup and implementation of a prescription drug monitoring program
- Status of the Medicaid management information system (MMIS) replacement project
- Human service center programs affected by the difficulty in hiring licensed addiction counselors, the number of clients required to travel to receive addiction services, and the number of clients on waiting lists at the human service centers

10:45 a.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the Medicaid study and reports

11:00 a.m. Committee discussion and consideration of any committee recommendations regarding the Medicaid study and reports

FOSTER CARE FACILITY PAYMENT SYSTEM STUDY

- 11:15 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Human Services on the number of children in foster care and those placed out of state and the status of the change in payment procedures for foster care facilities as required by the federal government
- 11:30 a.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the foster care payment system study
- 11:45 a.m. Committee discussion and consideration of any recommendations regarding the foster care facility payment study
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess

PUBLIC HEALTH UNIT STUDY

- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the University of North Dakota College of Nursing regarding its nursing program
- 1:30 p.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the public health unit study
- 1:45 p.m. Committee discussion and consideration of any recommendations regarding the public health unit study

HEALTHY NORTH DAKOTA STUDY

- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the State Department of Health regarding the status of the Healthy North Dakota initiative and on the development of a worksite wellness program
- 2:30 p.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the Healthy North Dakota study
- 2:45 p.m. Committee discussion and consideration of any recommendations regarding the Healthy North Dakota study
- 3:00 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives, including a motion to prepare the committee's final report for presentation to the Legislative Council
- 4:00 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