

# NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

## Tentative Agenda

### **BUDGET SECTION**

Wednesday, June 18, 2008  
Senate Chamber, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of the minutes of the March 19, 2008, meeting
- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Office of Management and Budget regarding:
- Status of the general fund
  - Report on any tobacco settlement proceeds
  - Irregularities in the fiscal practices of the state pursuant to North Dakota Century Code (NDCC) Section 54-14-03.1
  - Corporate income tax collections to date for the current fiscal year
- 9:25 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum regarding the status of contingency appropriations for the 2007-09 biennium
- 9:35 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of the *2007-09 Biennium Report on Compliance With Legislative Intent*
- 9:45 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Board of University and School Lands of a report regarding state agencies that have not submitted a claim for unclaimed property belonging to that agency and Budget Section consideration of the relinquishment of agencies' rights to recover unclaimed property pursuant to NDCC Section 47-30.1-24.1
- 10:10 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation regarding a space, operational, and staffing plan for the State Penitentiary and James River Correctional Center pursuant to Section 17 of 2007 House Bill No. 1015
- 10:20 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation regarding a plan for implementation of an inmate medical system and Budget Section consideration of the plan pursuant to Section 12 of 2007 House Bill No. 1015
- 10:30 a.m. Distribution of information on the Correctional Facility Review Committee recommendation to the Emergency Commission
- 10:35 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the North Dakota University System regarding the status of the Northern Tier Network project and an update on the North Dakota EPSCoR program
- 10:50 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the North Dakota University System of information on a change in financing of the Dickinson State University Badlands Activities Center project (formerly known as Whitney Stadium) at Dickinson State University
- 11:00 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the North Dakota University System regarding a request for Budget Section approval to accept a gift of a \$1.5 million human simulator lab facility on the University of North Dakota campus pursuant to NDCC Section 15-10-12.1
- 11:10 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Human Services regarding the status of the Medicaid management information system replacement project pursuant to Section 3 of 2007 Senate Bill No. 2024

- 11:20 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the State Auditor's office and Workforce Safety and Insurance regarding:
- The status of the State Auditor's office performance audit recommendations pursuant to Section 5 of 2007 Senate Bill No. 2021
  - The status of recommendations Workforce Safety and Insurance did not concur with at the time the audit was presented, including Workforce Safety and Insurance responses and information regarding any action taken on those recommendations
- 11:40 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Public Service Commission and the Facility Management Division regarding the status of a facility use agreement between the Public Service Commission and the Facility Management Division and the future of the metrology laboratory pursuant to Section 11 of 2007 Senate Bill No. 2008
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess
- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Veterans Home on the status of the Veterans Home construction project pursuant to Section 4 of 2007 Senate Bill No. 2418
- 1:20 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the State Fair Association regarding the status of constructing a new grandstand on the state fairgrounds, including the status of developing a business plan and the progress of fundraising efforts pursuant to Section 4 of 2007 House Bill No. 1009
- 1:40 p.m. Committee consideration of the following state agency requests, pursuant to NDCC Chapter 54-16, that have been authorized by the Emergency Commission and require consideration by the Budget Section:
- Adjutant General (Request #1663) - The request is for \$77,700 from the state contingencies appropriation for costs incurred by the National Guard for missions associated with land-based fires in the Minot area in April 2008.
  - Game and Fish Department (Request #1664) - The request is to increase federal funds spending authority by \$630,000 for capital assets (\$630,000). The federal funds are from the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act and will be used to construct a wildlife laboratory building in Bismarck.
  - Department of Transportation (Request #1665) - The request is to increase spending authority by \$41,500,000 for capital assets (\$31,650,000) and grants (\$9,850,000). Additional federal highway funding of \$36,800,000 will be used for highway construction and grant purposes. Other political subdivisions will provide matching funds of \$4,700,000 to the department.
  - Department of Transportation (Request #1666) - The request is to increase federal funds spending authority by \$2,205,354 for grants (\$2,205,354). The federal funds are from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to be used for transportation safety grant purposes. No additional matching funds are required.
  - Department of Agriculture (Request #1667) - The request is to increase special funds spending authority by \$120,825 for operating expenses (\$120,825). The additional special funds are from increased revenue from Pride of Dakota events and will be used for Pride of Dakota activities.
  - Council on the Arts (Request #1668) - The request is to increase federal funds spending authority by \$72,000 to accept federal funds from the National Endowment for the Arts for the salary line item (\$25,000) for temporary part-time staff and grants line item (\$47,000) to support existing grant programs.

- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum regarding a summary of actions taken by the Budget Section during the interim that have an ongoing cost and the estimated future cost relating to those actions
- 3:00 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn

#### **Committee Members**

Senators Ray Holmberg (Chairman), Bill Bowman, Randel Christmann, Tom Fischer, Tony Grindberg, Ralph L. Kilzer, Aaron Krauter, Karen K. Krebsbach, Elroy N. Lindaas, Tim Mathern, Carolyn Nelson, David O'Connell, Larry J. Robinson, Tom Seymour, Bob Stenehjem, Harvey D. Tallackson, Rich Wardner

Representatives Ole Aarsvold, Larry Bellew, Rick Berg, Merle Boucher, Ron Carlisle, Al Carlson, Jeff Delzer, Mary Ekstrom, Eliot Glassheim, Pam Gulleon, Kathy Hawken, Keith Kempenich, James Kerzman, Matthew M. Klein, Gary Kreidt, Joe Kroeber, Bob Martinson, Ralph Metcalf, David Monson, Jon Nelson, Kenton Onstad, Chet Pollert, Bob Skarphol, Ken Svedjan, Blair Thoreson, Francis J. Wald, Alon Wieland, Clark Williams