

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Wednesday and Thursday, February 20-21, 2008  
Bismarck/Burleigh Emergency Management and Combined Communications Center  
Roughrider Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

**Wednesday, February 20, 2008 - Meeting and tour - Bismarck/Burleigh Emergency Management and Combined Communications Center, 2301 University Drive, Suite 21, Bismarck**

- 1:00 p.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of the minutes from the November 26-27, 2007, meeting
- STUDY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES**
- 1:05 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Emergency Services, including the Division of State Radio and Division of Homeland Security, of information regarding:
- Status report on the department's task force relating to the structure and capability of emergency services
  - Department's lease with Motorola for the conversion of the Division of State Radio infrastructure from analog to digital
  - Remaining number of radios in all jurisdictions to be converted from analog to digital
  - Possibility of public/private partnerships in the delivery of data and technology for emergency services, including additional radio coverage
  - Balance of 911 funds in the 22 counties which the Division of State Radio serves as the public safety answering point
  - Costs of providing Division of State Radio services and appropriate fees for the services
- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Information Technology Department regarding the Criminal Justice Information Sharing Initiative, including services provided to law enforcement and future initiative plans
- 2:30 p.m. Comments by representatives of interested communications companies regarding the possibility of public/private partnerships in the delivery of data and technology for emergency services, including additional radio coverage
- 3:00 p.m. Presentation by Mr. James Carroll, Product Manager, Qwest, regarding the state's challenges and opportunities in the area of Next Generation 911
- 3:30 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Bismarck/Burleigh Emergency Management and Combined Communications Center regarding its services
- 4:00 p.m. Tour of Bismarck/Burleigh Emergency Management and Combined Communications Center facilities
- 5:00 p.m. Recess

**Thursday, February 21, 2008 - Meeting - Roughrider Room, State Capitol**

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES STUDY**

- 9:00 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the American Heart Association regarding stroke and heart attack emergency care

- 10:00 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the North Central EMS Institute regarding the institute's study of the costs of ambulance calls
- 10:45 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the State Department of Health regarding:
- Status report on the department's survey of counties regarding ambulance services pursuant to 2007 House Bill No. 1162
  - Status of converting rural emergency medical service providers radios from analog to digital
  - Health care component of the Department of Emergency Services' web-based Emergency Operations Center system
- 11:15 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of information regarding property tax rates for ambulance services
- 11:30 a.m. Distribution of a memorandum prepared by the Legislative Council staff regarding training and continuation education requirements of the Peace Officer Standards and Training Board
- 11:45 a.m. Luncheon recess
- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Law Enforcement Training Academy regarding emergency medical training provided to peace officers
- 1:20 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund regarding law enforcement liability issues relating to emergency medical training for law enforcement officers
- 1:35 p.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the committee's emergency medical services system study
- DELIVERY AND FUNDING OF VETERANS' SERVICES STUDY**
- 1:40 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of information regarding the history of the commissioner of the Department of Veterans Affairs and veterans' services statistics by county
- 1:50 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Administrative Committee on Veterans Affairs regarding the status of the commissioner position of the Department of Veterans Affairs
- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft relating to the Department of Veterans Affairs and the delivery of veterans' services
- 2:15 p.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the bill draft relating to the Department of Veterans Affairs and the delivery of veterans' services
- OTHER BUSINESS**
- 2:45 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn

#### **Committee Members**

Representatives Todd Porter (Chairman), Randy Boehning, Mike Brandenburg, Ron Carlisle, Edmund Gruchalla, Pam Guleson, James Kerzman, Joe Kroeber, Bob Martinson, Vonnie Pietsch, Clara Sue Price, Don Vigesaa  
 Senators Joan Heckaman, Ralph L. Kilzer, Gary A. Lee, Elroy N. Lindaas, John M. Warner