

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 11, 2010
Harvest Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the minutes from the December 16, 2009, meeting
- CLASSIFIED STATE EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION SYSTEM
AND STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS' SALARIES STUDY**
- Presentation by representatives of consulting firms that submitted proposals for the state employee compensation system study:
- 9:05 a.m. • Hay Group, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- 10:00 a.m. • Fox Lawson & Associates, St. Paul, Minnesota
- 10:55 a.m. Committee discussion and vendor selection
- 11:40 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Office of Management and Budget regarding recent changes in contribution rates for health insurance in other states
- 11:50 a.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the committee's study of the classified state employee compensation system and salaries of state elected officials
- 11:55 a.m. Committee discussion and staff directives regarding the committee's study of the classified state employee compensation system and salaries of state elected officials
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess
- OTHER COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES**
- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Veterans' Affairs regarding:
- Status of visits to county veterans' service offices, including issues identified and county commissioners' responses
 - Status of the accreditation process for county veterans' service officers
 - Mill levy funding provided by counties for county veterans' service officer salary, office space, and training
 - Options for improving services to North Dakota veterans
- 1:45 p.m. Comments by a representative of the North Dakota Association of Counties regarding the accreditation process for county veterans' service officers and options for improving services to North Dakota veterans
- 2:00 p.m. Comments by county veterans' service officers regarding the accreditation process for county veterans' service officers and options for improving services to North Dakota veterans
- 2:45 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Veterans' Affairs regarding the status of funds in the veterans' postwar trust fund and on the status of the department's emergency grant program, including the level of funds available and applications
- 3:15 p.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the committee's other responsibilities

3:30 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives

4:30 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Representatives Ken Svedjan (Chairman), Larry Bellew, Randy Boehning, Kari L. Conrad, Glen Froseth, Bette B. Grande, Karen Karls, Ralph Metcalf, Michael R. Nathe, Louise Potter, David S. Rust, Blair Thoreson, Dave Weiler, Alon C. Wieland

Senators Dick Dever, Robert M. Horne, Elroy N. Lindaas, Richard Marcellais, Carolyn Nelson

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