

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

**JUDICIAL PROCESS COMMITTEE**

Thursday, September 16, 2010  
Harvest Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Approval of the minutes of the June 9, 2010, meeting

**REPORTS**

- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Wayne Stenehjem, Attorney General, of a report regarding the unlawful drug use and abuse and drug control and enforcement efforts in this state
- 9:35 a.m. Presentation by Ms. Robin Huseby, Executive Director, Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigents, of an annual report of pertinent data on the indigent defense contract system and the established public defender offices

**MENTAL HEALTH AND SEXUALLY DANGEROUS INDIVIDUAL  
COMMITMENT COSTS STUDY**

- 9:55 a.m. Presentation by Ms. Huseby of a proposal relating to the appointment of legal counsel for cases involving the commitment of sexually dangerous individuals
- 10:05 a.m. Testimony and comments from other interested persons regarding the mental health and sexually dangerous individual commitment costs study
- 10:20 a.m. Committee discussion
- 10:30 a.m. Break

**OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM FOR CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES STUDY**

- 10:45 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft relating to the establishment of a family and children's ombudsman program
- 10:50 a.m. Presentations by Mr. John Ford, North Dakota Coalition for Child Protection Services and Foster Care Reform, and by Mr. Richard Bond regarding the family and children's ombudsman program bill draft
- 11:25 a.m. Testimony and comments from other interested persons regarding the family and children's ombudsman program bill draft
- 11:45 a.m. Committee discussion
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess

**CHILD SUPPORT OBLIGATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT STUDY**

- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Jim Fleming, Acting Director, Child Support Enforcement Division, Department of Human Services, of information regarding arrears and regarding developments in child support activities, including child support guidelines, child care expenses, interstate cases, and outreach to the state bar
- 1:20 p.m. Testimony and comments from other interested persons regarding the child support study
- 1:30 p.m. Committee discussion

**INVOLUNTARY MENTAL HEALTH COMMITMENT PROCEDURES STUDY**

- 1:35 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of two bill drafts relating to involuntary mental health commitment procedures
- 1:40 p.m. Testimony and comments from other interested persons regarding the bill drafts
- 2:00 p.m. Committee discussion
- 2:15 p.m. Other business
- 2:30 p.m. Adjourn

**Committee Members**

Representatives Shirley Meyer (Chairman), Stacey Dahl, Lois Delmore, Chris Griffin, Nancy Johnson, Joyce M. Kingsbury, Lawrence R. Klemin, Kim Koppelman, William E. Kretschmar, Lisa Wolf  
Senators Arden C. Anderson, Tom Fiebiger, Tom Fischer, Judy Lee, Stanley W. Lyson, Tim Mathern, Curtis Olafson, Jim Pomeroy

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