

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

**TRIBAL AND STATE RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, July 27, 2010  
Cankdeska Cikana Community College, 214 First Avenue  
Fort Totten, North Dakota

9:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of the minutes of the April 16, 2010, meeting

**HATE CRIMES ISSUES**

9:05 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft relating to enhanced penalties for discrimination in public places, aggravated assault, harassment, and criminal mischief involving a hate crime

9:10 a.m. Comments by other interested persons in attendance and committee discussion concerning the bill draft

**TAXATION IN INDIAN COUNTRY**

9:30 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of written comments prepared by Mr. Daniel L. Rouse, Special Assistant Attorney General and Legal Counsel, Tax Department and State Board of Equalization, concerning tribal-state tax agreements

**INDIAN EDUCATION ISSUES**

9:35 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a resolution directing the Legislative Management to study Indian education issues

9:40 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Robert Marthaller, Assistant Superintendent, Department of Public Instruction, and Indian education program representatives concerning Indian education and development of a pilot proposal for education based on parent involvement, length of school term, afterschool programming, and governance

10:15 a.m. Break

**TRANSPORTATION IN INDIAN COUNTRY**

10:30 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Transportation concerning transportation issues related to Highway 23 and other transportation issues in Indian country

**INDIAN HUMAN SERVICES ISSUES**

10:45 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of information provided by the Department of Human Services concerning memorandums of understanding entered between the department and tribal governments in North Dakota

**CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT IN INDIAN COUNTRY**

10:50 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Mike Schwindt, Director, Child Support Enforcement, Department of Human Services, concerning the calculation of interest on child support arrearages and child support enforcement in Indian country

**COMMISSION TO STUDY RACIAL AND ETHNIC BIAS IN THE COURTS**

11:15 a.m. Presentation by the Honorable Donovan J. Foughty, District Judge, Cochairman; Mr. Ulysses S. Jones; and Dr. Erich Longie; Commission to Study Racial and Ethnic Bias in the Courts, concerning the activities of the commission to study racial and ethnic bias in the courts

### **INDIAN PRIDE PROGRAM**

11:45 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff and committee discussion concerning a resolution of support for Prairie Public Broadcasting's and Circle of Nations Publishing's "Indian Pride" program

### **COMMITTEE ON TRIBAL AND STATE RELATIONS**

11:50 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff and committee discussion concerning extension of the Committee on Tribal and State Relations

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

### **BUSH FOUNDATION PRESENTATION**

1:00 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Jaime Pinkham, Vice President and Native Nations Team Leader, Bush Foundation, St. Paul, Minnesota, concerning Bush Foundation initiatives in Indian country

### **HERITAGE CENTER EXPANSION**

2:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of and committee discussion concerning a resolution of support for expansion of the North Dakota Heritage Center

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES IN INDIAN COUNTRY**

2:15 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Bob Harms, Prairie Consulting Group, concerning economic development initiatives in Indian country

### **GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT RELATIONS**

2:45 p.m. Discussion by committee members, members of the Native American Tribal Citizens' Task Force, and other interested persons in attendance concerning government-to-government relations

3:15 p.m. Staff directives

3:30 p.m. Adjourn

### **Committee Members**

Representatives Merle Boucher (Chairman), Kari L. Conrad, Jim Kasper, Don Vigesaa  
Senators Stanley W. Lyson, Tim Mathern, Dave Oehlke

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