

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

TRIBAL AND STATE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Monday, October 8, 2012
Roughrider Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the minutes of the June 25, 2012, meeting

**OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION, DEVELOPMENT, AND TAXATION WITHIN
THE BOUNDARIES OF THE FORT BERTHOLD RESERVATION**

- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft relating to requirements for agreements with the Three Affiliated Tribes for the taxation and regulation of oil and gas exploration and production within the boundaries of the Fort Berthold Reservation
- 9:10 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Lynn Helms, Director, Department of Mineral Resources, concerning oil and gas exploration and development within the boundaries of the Fort Berthold Reservation
- 9:30 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Tax Department concerning oil and gas tax revenues generated from trust and nontrust lands on the Fort Berthold Reservation and review of the *North Dakota Tax Information for Native Americans and Tribal Governments* booklet published by the Executive Director of the Indian Affairs Commission and the Tax Commissioner
- 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:15 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Jerod Tufte, Counsel, Governor's office, concerning oil and gas development within the boundaries of the Fort Berthold Reservation and the oil and gas tax agreement with the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation
- 10:45 a.m. Comments by interested persons in attendance and committee discussion concerning oil and gas exploration, development, and taxation within the Fort Berthold Reservation

INDIAN EDUCATION

- 11:15 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft to authorize the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop and implement a pilot grant program for at-risk American Indian students and for the support of community-based services
- 11:20 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Greg Gallagher, Director, Standards and Achievement, Department of Public Instruction, concerning the bill draft
- 11:30 a.m. Comments by interested persons in attendance and committee discussion concerning the bill draft

EXTENSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRIBAL AND STATE RELATIONS

- 11:45 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft to extend the committee on Tribal and State Relations
- 11:50 a.m. Committee discussion and comments by interested persons in attendance concerning the bill draft
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess

COMMISSION TO STUDY RACIAL AND ETHNIC BIAS IN THE COURTS

- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Andrew Frank, staff, Commission to Study Racial and Ethnic Bias in the Courts, North Dakota Supreme Court, of the final report of the Commission to Study Racial and Ethnic Bias in the Courts and the commission's recommendations
- 1:30 p.m. Committee discussion and comments by interested persons in attendance concerning the report

INDIAN VETERANS

- 1:45 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Lonnie Wangen, Commissioner, Department of Veterans' Affairs, Fargo, concerning placement of veterans' service officers on each of the state's reservations
- 2:00 p.m. Committee discussion and comments by interested persons in attendance concerning Indian veterans' issues

TRANSPORTATION IN INDIAN COUNTRY

- 2:15 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Transportation concerning transportation issues on the state's reservations
- 2:45 p.m. Committee discussion and comments by interested persons in attendance concerning transportation issues in Indian country
- 3:00 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 3:15 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Senators David O'Connell (Chairman), Robert Erbele, Richard Marcellais, Donald Schaible
Representatives Jim Kasper, Kenton Onstad, Wayne Trottier

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