

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, August 6, 2014
Roughrider Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the minutes of the June 12, 2014, meeting

STUDY OF FACILITY NEEDS OF STATE AGENCIES IN THE BISMARCK AREA

- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Facility Management Division, Office of Management and Budget, regarding an update on the use of space being vacated by the Information Technology Department in the judicial wing of the State Capitol and amortization schedules for the State Capitol parking lots
- 9:15 a.m. Tour of the judicial wing of the State Capitol
- 9:50 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Attorney General's office regarding space needs of the agency
- 10:00 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Tax Department regarding space needs of the agency, including the utilization of space in the State Office Building
- 10:10 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Public Instruction regarding space needs of the agency, including remodeling projects and potential remodeling projects
- 10:20 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the State Department of Health regarding space needs of the agency, including the potential to relocate certain personnel to space away from the Capitol grounds
- 10:30 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum regarding payments made by state agencies in lieu of property taxes
- 10:35 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a proposed bill draft relating to the development of a master plan for all state agencies with a physical location in the Bismarck area
- 10:40 a.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the committee's study of facility needs of state agencies in the Bismarck area
- 10:50 a.m. Committee discussion regarding the committee's study of facility needs of state agencies in the Bismarck area

**STUDY OF THE USE OF STRUCTURES AND PROPERTY OF THE
JAMES RIVER CORRECTIONAL CENTER AND THE STATE HOSPITAL**

- 11:00 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a proposed bill draft relating to the development of a master plan for the James River Correctional Center and the State Hospital
- 11:05 a.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the committee's study of the use of structures and property of the James River Correctional Center and the State Hospital
- 11:10 a.m. Committee discussion regarding the committee's study of the use of structures and property of the James River Correctional Center and the State Hospital

OTHER COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

- 11:20 a.m. [Presentation](#) by representatives of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation regarding the Missouri River Correctional Center land use and planning study, including the department's plan regarding the relocation of the Missouri River Correctional Center pursuant to Section 4 of 2013 Senate Bill No. 2015
- 11:45 a.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the Missouri River Correctional Center land use and planning study
- 11:55 a.m. Committee discussion regarding the Missouri River Correctional Center land use and planning study
- 12:05 p.m. Luncheon recess

STUDY OF CURRENT STATE AND FEDERAL BENEFITS AVAILABLE TO NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS

- 1:05 p.m. Presentation by Senator Marcellais regarding the Serving Veterans in Rural America: A Symposium
- 1:20 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Veterans' Affairs regarding
- An [update](#) on the service dog training program; and
 - Information relating to the federal veterans' hospital system in North Dakota, including wait times, staff needs, accessibility, potential expansion of services, and other issues
- 2:05 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the ND Cares Task Force regarding:
- An update on the activities of the task force;
 - Gaps in veterans' services; and
 - The number of North Dakota veteran and military member suicides
- 2:25 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Adjutant General regarding an update on the projected costs for writing, publishing, and distributing a record of all North Dakota veterans, including those killed in action and missing in action, since statehood
- 2:40 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum regarding veterans' programs and the use of various definitions of the term "veteran" in the North Dakota Century Code
- 2:50 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of bill drafts relating to:
- The exemption of military retirement pay from the state income tax; and
 - Authorization for the Adjutant General to accept and use private funds for the writing, publishing, and distributing of a record of all North Dakota veterans
- 3:00 p.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the committee's study of current state and federal benefits available to North Dakota veterans
- 3:15 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 3:30 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Senators: Ronald Sorvaag (Chairman), Ron Carlisle, Richard Marcellais, David O'Connell
Representatives: Roger Brabandt, Glen Froseth, Ed Gruchalla, Rick Holman, Karen Karls, George J. Keiser, Curtiss Kreun, Scott Louser, Gail Mooney, Chet Pollert, Vicky Steiner, Alon Wieland

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