NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT
Tentative Agenda

WORKERS' COMPENSATION REVIEW COMMITTEE

Thursday, October 5, 2017
Harvest Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

10:00 a.m.  Call to order
Roll call
Comments by the Chairman
Review of the Supplementary Rules of Operation and Procedure of the North Dakota Legislative Management

10:15 a.m.  Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum entitled Workers' Compensation Review Committee - Background Memorandum

REPORTS

10:25 a.m.  Review of reports the committee is charged with receiving:

• Report from the Director of Workforce Safety and Insurance (WSI), the Chairman of the WSI Board of Directors, and the audit firm regarding the quadrennial performance evaluation of WSI and select up to four elements for inclusion in the performance evaluation (North Dakota Century Code Section 65-02-30)

• Status reports on WSI's current rehabilitation services pilot programs (Section 65-05.1-06.3)

• A biennial report from WSI regarding compiled data relating to safety grants issued under Chapter 65-03 (Section 65-03-05)

• A report from WSI on recommendations based on the biennial safety review of Roughrider Industries work programs and the biennial performance review of the program of modified workers' compensation coverage by WSI (Section 65-06.2-09)

BACKGROUND AND 2017 LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

10:35 a.m.  Presentation by Mr. Bryan Klipfel, Executive Director, Workforce Safety and Insurance, providing an overview of WSI and WSI trends and initiatives

10:50 a.m.  Comments by interested persons

10:55 a.m.  Break

11:05 a.m.  Presentation by Ms. Jodi Bjornson, Chief Counsel, Workforce Safety and Insurance, of 2017 legislation relating to the state's workers' compensation system

11:25 a.m.  Comments by interested persons

11:30 a.m.  Committee discussion

PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

11:40 a.m.  Presentation by Mr. Ronald I. Tolstad, Jr., Operations Manager and Technical Specialist, State Auditor's office, regarding an overview of the quadrennial WSI performance evaluation, the status of the 2018 performance evaluation, and elements included in the 2018 performance evaluation

12:00 noon  Luncheon recess

1:00 p.m.  Presentation by Mr. Tim Wahlin, Chief of Injury Services, Workforce Safety and Insurance, regarding the status of the most recent WSI performance evaluation and proposed elements for inclusion in the 2018 WSI performance evaluation
1:10 p.m. Comments by interested persons
1:15 p.m. Committee discussion

**CLAIM REVIEW PROCESS**
1:20 p.m. Introduction of WSI staff who participate in the claim review process
Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of the review procedure and application forms used by the Workers' Compensation Review Committee during the 2015-16 interim
1:30 p.m. Comments by interested persons
1:35 p.m. Committee discussion and directives regarding the case review procedure, applicant access, and application forms for the 2017-18 interim

**COMMITTEE WORK**
1:45 p.m. Discussion of future committee meetings and other administrative matters
2:00 p.m. Adjourn

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**Committee Members**
Senators: Jonathan Casper (Chairman), Randall A. Burckhard, Erin Oban
Representatives: Joshua A. Boschee, George J. Keiser, Dan Ruby
Staff Contact: Christopher S. Joseph, Counsel