



AGRICULTURE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Thursday, July 30, 2020

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10:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the minutes of the December 12, 2019, meeting

10:05 a.m. Comments by the Chairman

REPORT

10:10 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Doug Goehring, Agriculture Commissioner, of a report on the Federal Environmental Law Impact Review Committee

AGRICULTURAL ISSUES STUDY

10:30 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Goehring regarding private insurance products for agricultural commodities producers

10:45 a.m. Review of a bill draft [21.0032.01000] regarding changes to North Dakota Century Code Title 60 as recommended by the Department of Agriculture

11:05 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Stu Letcher, Executive Vice President, North Dakota Grain Dealers Association, regarding recommendations of a bill draft [21.0032.01000]

11:20 a.m. Comments submitted by interested persons regarding the committee's study of agricultural issues, committee discussion, and staff directives

REPORTS

11:30 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Mark Birdsall, Chairman, State Board of Agricultural Research and Education, and Mr. Greg Lardy, Vice President for Agricultural Affairs, North Dakota State University, of a report on the annual evaluation of research activities and expenditures of the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education

11:45 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Karl Rockeman, Director, Division of Water Quality, Department of Environmental Quality, of a report on animal feeding operation permit applications

12:00 noon Recess

1:00 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Steve Salwei, Director, Office of Transportation Programs, Department of Transportation, of a report regarding the department's study of public transportation services within the state

1:15 p.m. Distribution by the Legislative Council staff of a report prepared by transportation network companies regarding information collected pursuant to Section 39-34-05

1:20 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives regarding the reports

CENTRAL INDEXING SYSTEM STUDY

1:25 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Letcher regarding a potential enhancement of the central indexing system to provide notice to originating lenders when a priority lien has been filed with the Secretary of State's office

1:40 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Jim Silrum, Deputy Secretary of State, regarding the committee's study of the central indexing system

1:50 p.m. Comments submitted by interested persons regarding the committee's study of the central indexing system, committee discussion, and staff directives

2:05 p.m. Break

ELECTRIC VEHICLE STUDY

2:15 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Salwei regarding an update on the electric vehicle infrastructure coalition, plans moving forward, and recommendations

2:25 p.m. Comments submitted by interested persons regarding the committee's study of electric vehicle infrastructure, committee discussion, and staff directives

ROAD TRAIN STUDY

2:40 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a concurrent resolution draft [21.3005.01000] urging Congress to amend cargo carrying truck length and weight restrictions on state highways and interstates that are a part of the National Network to allow North Dakota to conduct a road train pilot program

2:50 p.m. Comments submitted by interested persons regarding the road train pilot program study, committee discussion, and staff directives

- Presentation by Senator Larsen of a bill draft [21.0175.01000] relating to the governor's authority to exceed size and weight limitations on motor vehicles

3:30 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Representatives: Dennis Johnson (Chairman), Tracy Boe, Mike Brandenburg, Jay Fisher, Craig Johnson, Dwight Kiefert, Dan Ruby, Kathy Skroch, Wayne A. Trottier, Greg Westlind

Senators: Jim Dotzenrod, Kathy Hogan, Oley Larsen, Randy D. Lemm, Larry Luick, Janne Myrdal, Terry M. Wanzek

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