

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

**LEGISLATIVE AUDIT AND FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, January 21, 1998  
Roughrider Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of minutes of previous meeting
- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by Brady Martz and Associates, Certified Public Accountants, of the following audit reports:
- Retirement and Investment Office (#190) June 30, 1997
  - Public Employees Retirement System (#192) June 30, 1997
  - Veterans Home (#313) June 30, 1997
  - Job Service North Dakota (#380) June 30, 1997
  - North Dakota Mill and Elevator Association (#475) June 30, 1997 and 1996
- 9:55 a.m. Presentation by Eide Helmeke PLLP, Certified Public Accountants and Consultants, of the North Dakota Development Fund, Inc. (#967) June 30, 1997 and 1996 audit report
- 10:00 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the North Dakota Development Fund, Inc., on the status of the investments held by the fund
- 10:15 a.m. Presentation by Eide Helmeke PLLP, Certified Public Accountants and Consultants, of the following audit reports:
- Board of University and School Lands (#226) June 30, 1997 and 1996
  - Workers Compensation Bureau (#485) June 30, 1997 and 1996
  - Technology Transfer, Inc. (#968) June 30, 1997 and 1996
- 10:30 a.m. Presentation by a representative of Technology Transfer, Inc., on the status of the investments held by Technology Transfer, Inc.
- 10:45 a.m. Presentation by the State Auditor's office of the following audit report:
- Potato Council (#610) June 30, 1996
- 10:55 a.m. Comments by a representative of the Potato Council
- 11:05 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum on commodity group procedures relating to the auditing of handlers, collection procedures, and the assessment of penalties and interest
- 11:15 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum on South Dakota's commodity group procedures relating to the auditing of handlers and the collection of assessments
- 11:30 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft creating a

centralized commodity group collection process and auditing procedures and to exclude the commodity groups from Central Personnel and Central Services requirements

- 11:45 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum on the eligibility requirements for political subdivision and other organizations' participation in the Public Employees Retirement System, state fire and tornado fund, risk management fund, and the state bonding fund
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess
- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by the State Auditor's office of the following audit reports:
- International Peace Garden (#704) December 31, 1996
  - North Dakota University System - CAFR (#220) June 30, 1997
  - Bismarck State College (#227) June 30, 1997 and 1996
  - UND-Williston (#229) June 30, 1997 and 1996
  - North Dakota State University (#235) June 30, 1997 and 1996
  - State College of Science (#238) June 30, 1997 and 1996
  - Dickinson State University (#239) June 30, 1997 and 1996
  - Mayville State University (#240) June 30, 1997 and 1996
  - Minot State University (#241) June 30, 1997 and 1996
- 1:45 p.m. Presentation by the State Auditor's office of the University of North Dakota general controls audit (#1600) June 30, 1997
- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by the State Auditor's office of the performance audit report on state procurement practices - North Dakota University System
- 2:30 p.m. Comments by a representative of the North Dakota University System
- 2:50 p.m. Presentation by the State Auditor's office of the report on regional planning councils' intents regarding the formation of nonprofit corporations
- 3:10 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Human Services on its accounts receivable writeoffs and a report on:
- The aging of the accounts receivable writeoffs relating to Indian Health Service
  - Collection efforts utilized on the amounts to be written off
  - The agreement between the Department of Human Services and Indian Health Service, including the Indian Health Service payment requirements for services provided
  - The department's policy regarding the provision of services when the ability to pay does not exist
  - The provisions of the *White v. Califano* case relating to the different Indian Health Service payment requirements for American Indians living on and off a reservation
- 3:30 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Attorney General's office on recommended statutory changes regarding the complete disclosure of all

internal service funds and how the funds within the internal service funds are spent

- 3:45 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Bank of North Dakota regarding options for the Bank to transfer the assets and liabilities of the beginning farmer revolving loan fund to the Bank and discontinue the need to have a separate audited financial statement
- 4:00 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Public Instruction on the status of the foundation aid program payments
- 4:15 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft on the acquisition of assets and services through financing activities by state agencies and institutions
- 4:25 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a copy of the Minnesota law creating a statewide centralized collection agency
- 4:35 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum on how audit findings and recommendations can be reported to the Appropriations Committees during the legislative session following the report presentation date
- 4:45 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn

**NOTE:** In accordance with committee policy of making sufficient time available to hear major audits or audit reports containing major recommendations, the following reports filed with the committee have not been placed on the agenda. Should the committee desire to hear a report from the list, presentation can be included on the agenda for the next meeting.

- North Dakota Housing Finance Agency (June 30, 1997 and 1996)
- North Dakota Building Authority (June 30, 1997 and 1996)
- North Dakota real estate trust (June 30, 1997 and 1996)
- PACE fund (June 30, 1997 and 1996)
- Ag PACE fund (June 30, 1997 and 1996)

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