

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 15, 2004
Harvest Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of minutes of the November 3-4, 2003, committee meeting
- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Rick Johnson, Senior Vice President, The Segal Company, Washington, D.C., of the *2003 Segal State Health Benefits Survey: Medical Benefits for Employees and Retirees*
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee break
- 10:15 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Sparb Collins, Executive Director, Public Employees Retirement System, of information on the cost of eliminating all deductibles for state employees and various schedules of state health insurance benefits and deductibles
- 11:00 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Tom Christenson, Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota, Fargo, of information relating to state health plan drug discounts and out-of-pocket expenses incurred by members of the state health plan
- 11:30 a.m. Presentation by representatives of Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota concerning the reimportation of Canadian prescription drugs
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess
- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Duane Houdek, counsel to the Governor, concerning developments in other states relating to the reimportation of Canadian prescription drugs
- 1:30 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Howard C. Anderson, Jr., Executive Director, State Board of Pharmacy, concerning the reimportation of Canadian prescription drugs
- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by representatives of Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota concerning implementation of the case management program and the smoking cessation program
- 2:30 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives relating to the health insurance study
- 2:45 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Senators Karen K. Krebsbach (Chairman), Richard Brown, Ralph L. Kilzer, Carolyn Nelson
Representatives Bill Amerman, Al Carlson, Mike Grosz, Francis J. Wald