LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ROOMS - USE - RENOVATION SCHEDULE

USE AND JURISDICTION DURING LEGISLATIVE SESSION

During a legislative session, legislative committee rooms are under the jurisdiction of the Senate or House and may be used only for the functions and activities of the legislative branch. Joint Rule 803 provides:

During a legislative session, committee rooms under the jurisdiction of the Senate or House and hearing rooms under the jurisdiction of the Legislative Assembly may be used only for the functions and activities of the legislative branch, except as otherwise provided by this rule. A state agency may be granted permission by the Secretary of the Senate or Chief Clerk of the House, individually with respect to a room under the jurisdiction of the Senate or House, respectively, or jointly with respect to a room under the jurisdiction of the Legislative Assembly, to use a room at times and under conditions not interfering with the use of the room by the legislative branch.

The Senate has jurisdiction over the Fort Lincoln, Lewis and Clark, Missouri River, Roosevelt Park, Harvest, and Red River Rooms.

The House has jurisdiction over the Fort Union, Peace Garden, Fort Totten, Medora, Sakakawea, Roughrider, Pioneer, and Prairie Rooms. During the interim and for jurisdiction purposes, the Pioneer Room is considered under control of the Office of Management and Budget and the Prairie Room is considered within the office suite of the Legislative Council.

The Legislative Assembly has jurisdiction over the Brynhild Haugland Room.

USE AND JURISDICTION DURING LEGISLATIVE INTERIM

During the interim, use of legislative committee rooms is governed by North Dakota Century Code Section 48-08-04:

During the interim between legislative sessions, the committee rooms, halls, passageways, and other space in the capitol used by the legislative assembly may not be used without authorization of the legislative council or its designee.

Under the Guidelines for Use of Legislative Committee Rooms North Dakota State Capitol, the Legislative Management Committee has delegated to the director of the Legislative Council, or the director's designee, the authority to arrange with the Office of Management and Budget to manage the scheduling of committee rooms. By custom, the director has authorized the Office of Management and Budget to manage the scheduling of committee rooms during the interim except for the Roughrider Room, the Harvest Room, and the Prairie Room, which is considered within the Legislative Council office suite.

In addition, during past interims, the Legislative Management Committee or the Office of Management and Budget has authorized specific agencies to use specific committee rooms and rearrange, or replace, the furniture in the rooms. For example:

- The Legislative Management Committee authorized Human Resource Management Services to use the Peace Garden Room for training during the 2007-08 interim and remove the tables and chairs from the room.
- The Roosevelt Park, Fort Union, Fort Totten, and Brynhild Haugland Rooms were used by the University System for testing of ConnectND, April 14-16, 2008.
- Various committee rooms were used by the Silver-Haired Education Association Silver-Haired Assembly, July 30-August 1, 2008.
- Various committee rooms were used by the North Dakota High School Activities Association State Student Congress, November 6-7, 2008.

COMMITEE ROOM RENOVATIONS

2007-08 Interim

New carpeting was installed in all committee rooms except the Harvest and Roughrider Rooms.

The sidechairs were reupholstered in all committee rooms, except those rooms in which captain's chairs are the sidechairs.

New committee tables were installed in the Medora, Fort Lincoln, and Fort Union Rooms.

2009-10 Interim

New committee tables have been ordered for the Roosevelt Park, Peace Garden, Fort Totten, Lewis and Clark, Missouri River, Red River, and Sakakawea Rooms.

Committee room tables for the Harvest and Roughrider Rooms are in the approval stage, which also involves sound system improvements and new carpeting when the tables are installed.

New carpeting will be installed in the Prairie Room during the 2009-10 interim.

2009-10 INTERIM COMMITTEE ROOM USE

State agencies have requested use of legislative committee rooms during the 2009-10 interim. The director of the Legislative Council has authorized the Office of Facility Management Division of the Office of
Management and Budget to assume control over the Brynhild Haugland, Roosevelt Park, Peace Garden, Fort Totten, Lewis and Clark, Sakakawea, and Red River Rooms, subject to consideration of committee room use during the interim by the Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee.