



HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 11, 2026
Roughrider Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the [minutes of the November 19, 2025, meeting](#)

9:05 a.m. Comments by the Chairman

STUDY OF HOMELESSNESS IN NORTH DAKOTA

9:15 a.m. Presentation by a representative of North Dakota Housing Finance Agency regarding an update on the Interagency Council on Homelessness

9:35 a.m. Presentation by a representative of Presentation Partners in Housing regarding the available programs and impact on homelessness

9:55 a.m. Presentation by a representative of Community Action Partnership of North Dakota regarding the available programs and the use of Community Development Block Grant funds with the impact on homelessness.

10:15 a.m. Presentation by a representative of Youthworks regarding the programs available to assist with homeless youths

10:35 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the North Dakota Continuum of Care regarding data on homelessness, goals of the Continuum of Care, and the reporting process

10:55 a.m. Presentation by a representative of Bismarck-Burleigh Public Health regarding the report from Health Management Associates and the community triage center project

11:30 a.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the study of homelessness in North Dakota

12:00 noon Recess

STUDY OF ACCESSIBILITY OF GOVERNMENT SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE DEAF, HARD OF HEARING, HAVE HEARING DIFFERENCES, OR ARE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

1:00 p.m. Presentation by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) regarding the services and recommendations for hearing and vision screening of children

1:30 p.m. Presentation by the North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities regarding the North Dakota Dual Sensory Project and North Dakota Early Hearing Detection and Intervention programs, including hearing and vision screening

1:50 p.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the study of accessibility of government services for individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, have hearing differences or vision impairment

CHILD CARE PROVIDER LICENSING LAWS AND POLICIES

2:00 p.m. Presentation by a representative of DHHS on the Child Care Services Advisory Committee progress on child care licensing.

2:25 p.m. Comments by interested persons regarding child care provider licensing laws and policies

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PROGRAM EVALUATION OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CHILD CARE SERVICES**

2:30 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Legislative Council on the progress of the child care program evaluation

2:45 p.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the program evaluation of DHHS child care services

REPORTS

2:50 p.m. Presentation by a representative of DHHS regarding the progress on the basic care study recommendations addressing the adult residential facility and basic care payment systems and the review of the asset limit for home- and community-based services aged and disabled waiver pursuant to Section 3 of Senate Bill No. 2271 (2025)

3:05 p.m. Presentation by a representative of DHHS regarding the progress of the Pay for Success Program developed by the department to improve educational, social, or emotional achievements of at-risk children, improve the health of children, and increase participation in the workforce by individuals who qualify for governmental assistance per North Dakota Century Code 50-06-47

3:20 p.m. Committee discussion

3:30 p.m. Adjourn

A livestream of the meeting will be available to the public at: <https://video.ndlegis.gov>.

Committee Members

Senators: Kyle Davison (Chairman), Dick Dever, Kathy Hogan, Judy Lee, Michelle Powers

Representatives: Karen A. Anderson, Mike Beltz, Macy Bolinske, Jayme Davis, Kathy Frelich, Jared Hendrix, Dwight Kiefert, Carrie McLeod, Nico Rios, Karen M. Rohr, Matthew Ruby, Gregory Stemen

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