



TRIBAL AND STATE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 24, 2026
Roughrider Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 10:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the [minutes of the July 22, 2026, meeting](#)
- 10:05 a.m. Discussion by representatives of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation regarding tribal-state issues, including government-to-government relations, taxation, human services, education, corrections, and issues related to the promotion of economic development
- 11:30 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Michael Howe, Secretary of State, regarding the use of tribal identification for voting
- 12:00 noon Recess
- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Brad Hawk, Executive Director, Indian Affairs Commission, regarding the recent activities of the commission
- 1:30 p.m. Presentation by Lieutenant Jenna Clawson Huibregtse, Highway Patrol, regarding terminology used in missing persons cases
- 1:45 p.m. Public comments
- 2:00 p.m. Review of bill and resolution drafts and committee discussion:
- Bill draft [27.0255.01000](#) - Relating to public communications during a missing person investigation and harboring a missing minor
 - Bill draft [27.0101.02000](#) - Relating to an appropriation to the Department of Health and Human Services for the implementation of an institutions for mental diseases waiver
 - Bill draft [27.0143.01000](#) - Relating to a legislative management study of the impacts of an institutions for mental diseases waiver
 - Resolution draft [27.3003.01000](#) - Urging Congress to provide payments in lieu of taxes to local governments for trust land held by the federal government on behalf of tribal nations
- 3:00 p.m. Adjourn

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

Committee Members

Representatives: Dawson Holle (Chairman), Collette Brown, Matthew Heilman, Jon O. Nelson
Senators: Richard Marcellais, Tim Mathern, Scott Meyer

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