

## NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

### Tentative Agenda

### **BUDGET SECTION**

Wednesday, June 21, 2000  
Senate Chamber, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of minutes of the March 9, 2000, meeting
- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Office of Management and Budget on the status of the state general fund
- 9:30 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Office of Management and Budget on the status of the tobacco settlement proceeds
- 9:45 a.m. Presentation by a representative of Job Service North Dakota on the status of its asbestos abatement project pursuant to Section 6 of 1999 House Bill No. 1017
- 10:00 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Transportation on the status of its asbestos abatement project
- 10:15 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Public Instruction on the distribution of federal class-size reduction initiative grants pursuant to Section 24 of 1999 Senate Bill No. 2013
- 10:30 a.m. Presentation by Mr. David Sprynczynatyk, State Engineer, State Water Commission, on the status of the statewide water development program, the state water management plan, the issuance of bonds for various water projects, and the status of federal funding for state water projects
- 11:00 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Human Services on:
- Pending reductions to the Northeast Human Service Center pursuant to Section 18 of 1999 Senate Bill No. 2012
  - A status report on the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 and its impact on the department's computer systems
  - A status report on proposed reductions to the social service block grant
- 11:15 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Housing Finance Agency and the Indian Affairs Commission on home mortgage finance programs available within Indian reservations pursuant to Section 14 of 1999 House Bill No. 1015
- 11:25 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of memorandums regarding:
- The use of tobacco settlement cost and fee recoveries anticipated to be received in excess of costs incurred by the Attorney General's office
  - Legislative intent related to Section 5 of 1999 Senate Bill No. 2015 regarding gaming enforcement grants distributed by the Attorney General's office

- 11:45 a.m. Committee discussion and consideration of Emergency Commission Request #1256, for which action was postponed by the Budget Section at the March 9, 2000, meeting, regarding the use of tobacco settlement cost and fee recoveries in excess of costs incurred by the Attorney General's office and the use of these moneys for gaming grants
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess
- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of the *1999-2001 Biennium Report on Agency Compliance With Legislative Intent*
- 1:30 p.m. Distribution by the Legislative Council staff of correspondence from ethanol plants receiving production incentives from the state pursuant to Section 5 of 1999 House Bill No. 1019 requiring a statement as to whether each plant produced a profit from its operation during the preceding fiscal year
- 1:35 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the North Dakota University System of the following:
- Request for approval to expand the Bismarck State College Student Union renovation project pursuant to Section 10 of 1999 House Bill No. 1003
  - Request for approval to expand the Lake Region State College auditorium renovation project pursuant to Section 8 of 1999 House Bill No. 1003
  - Request for approval to use local funds for an addition to the north lobby and entrance of the Minot State University Dome pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 15-10-12.1
- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the University of North Dakota on the sale of lease revenue bonds for the purpose of refinancing airport improvements and equipment leases and acquiring aircraft
- 2:15 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for a request to transfer appropriations from adult services to the central office pursuant to Section 2 of 1999 House Bill No. 1016
- 2:30 p.m. Consideration of the following state agency requests that have been authorized by the Emergency Commission and require consideration by the Budget Section:
- Dickinson Research Center (Request #1280) - To increase other funds spending authority by \$419,000 (\$239,000 to repair storm damage to buildings and equipment; and \$180,000 to make capital improvements to the Out Wintering Research Facilities)
  - School for the Deaf (Request #1284) - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$125,006 (\$49,000 for salaries and wages, \$71,426 for operating expenses, and \$4,580 for equipment) for the North Dakota deaf/blind services project
  - Department of Health (Request #1285) - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$725,100 (\$85,800 for salaries and wages - FTE positions authorized by Emergency Commission for duration of federal funding, \$12,500 for operating expenses, \$16,800 for equipment, and \$610,000 for grants for tobacco use prevention and bioterrorism programs)
  - State Water Commission (Request #1286) - To increase federal and other funds spending authority by \$395,000 (\$325,000 of federal funds from the Division of Emergency Management; \$60,000 of other funds from Devils Lake area entities for the Devils Lake outlet awareness manager; and \$10,000 of federal funds from

the Federal Emergency Management Agency for equipment related to dam safety)

- Department of Human Services (Request #1287) - To increase federal funds spending authority for grants by \$552,000 to use carryover federal funds from year 5 of the partnership program and to allow expenditure of those funds during the current biennium
- Department of Human Services (Request #1288) - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$417,135 to accept a grant (\$360,000) and to utilize unspent funds carried over from the 1997-99 biennium (\$57,135) for operating expenses associated with programs to combat underage drinking
- Department of Human Services (Request #1289) - To increase federal and other funds spending authority by \$2,193,860 (\$439,632 for operating expenses and \$1,754,228 for grants); to accept federal funds (\$439,632) for substance abuse and treatment, \$907,717 for expansion of services to the refugee population, and \$307,353 from the federal independent living program; and to accept other funds (\$539,158) from the Bush Foundation for training infant/toddler caregivers
- Department of Human Services (Request #1290) - To increase other funds spending authority by \$2,218,429 from the health care trust fund to support the development of basic care facilities, assisted living facilities, and other alternatives to nursing facility care
- Department of Agriculture (Request #1292) - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$289,583 (\$220,833 for operating expenses and \$68,750 for salaries and wages) from the Environmental Protection Agency for the dairy pollution prevention program
- Highway Patrol (Request #1294) - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$720,000 for field operations to accept federal passthrough funds from the Department of Human Services to be used for programs related to the enforcement of underage drinking
- Highway Patrol (Request #1296) - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$630,000 for field operations to accept federal funds for the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute at North Dakota State University (\$500,000 for the development of a system related to border checks on drivers and vehicles; \$90,000 for the development of a business plan and study the feasibility of new technology relating to the motor carrier industry; and \$40,000 for a study of commercial vehicle accidents in North Dakota)
- Highway Patrol (Request #1297) - To increase federal funds spending authority by \$754,000 for field operations to accept federal funds for the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute at North Dakota State University to develop Aspen, a computer software package, that will assist state and federal law enforcement agencies in the safety inspection of commercial vehicles
- Secretary of State (Request #1298) - To increase other funds spending authority by \$120,000 (\$56,300 for salaries and wages, \$39,700 for operating expenses, and \$24,000 for equipment) from the general services operating fund to provide better and faster services for the public

4:00 p.m.

Presentation by a representative of the Budget Committee on Human Services on that committee's budget tour of the West Central Human Service Center

- 4:10 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Budget Committee on Institutional Services on that committee's budget tour of the Northeast Human Service Center, School for the Blind, and the Developmental Center
- 4:20 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Budget Committee on Government Services on that committee's budget tour of the State Penitentiary, Roughrider Industries, Missouri River Correctional Center, and Youth Correctional Center
- 4:35 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn

#### **Committee Members**

Representatives Jack Dalrymple (Chairman), Ole Aarsvold, LeRoy G. Bernstein, James Boehm, Merle Boucher, Rex R. Byerly, Ron Carlisle, Al Carlson, Jeff Delzer, John Dorso, Pam Gulleson, Serenus Hoffner, Robert Huether, James Kerzman, Ed Lloyd, David Monson, Ronald Nichols, Jim Poolman, Ken Svedjan, Mike Timm, Ben Tollefson, Francis J. Wald, Janet Wentz

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