

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, August 21, 2001
Harvest Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Review of Legislative Council rules of operation and procedure
- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum relating to the statutory duties and past procedures of the Employee Benefits Programs Committee
- 9:10 a.m. Comments by interested persons in attendance and committee discussion concerning general requirements for submission and review of legislative retirement, insurance, and retiree health insurance proposals

OVERVIEW OF RETIREMENT, INSURANCE, AND RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAMS

- 9:15 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Steve Cochrane, Executive Director, Retirement and Investment Office, of an overview of the state's investment program
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee break
- 10:15 a.m. Presentation by Ms. Fay Kopp, Deputy Executive Director, Retirement and Investment Office, of an overview of the Teachers' Fund for Retirement
- 11:00 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Sparb Collins, Executive Director, Public Employees Retirement System, of an overview of the Public Employees Retirement System, including:
- Structure of the Public Employees Retirement System Board
 - Structure of the Public Employees Retirement System office
 - Retirement programs (including the Public Employees Retirement System main system, Highway Patrolmen's retirement system, judges' retirement system, National Guard retirement system, prior service retiree system, and 401(a) defined contribution retirement plan)
 - Health insurance program
 - Retiree health insurance program
 - Deferred compensation program (457 plan)
 - Life, dental, and long-term care insurance programs
 - Flexcomp program
 - Employee assistance program

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CORRECTIONAL OFFICER RETIREMENT PROGRAM STUDY

- 11:45 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum concerning the study of the feasibility and desirability of implementing a retirement program for all law enforcement and correctional officers within the state of North Dakota which provides retirement benefits similar to those provided to the members

of the Highway Patrolmen's retirement system pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Chapter 39-03.1

- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess
- 1:00 p.m. Comments by Mr. Collins concerning the law enforcement and correctional officer retirement program study
- 1:15 p.m. Comments by Colonel James M. Hughes, Superintendent, Highway Patrol, concerning the law enforcement and correctional officer retirement program study
- 1:30 p.m. Comments by Ms. Sandi Tabor, Deputy Attorney General, Attorney General's office, concerning the law enforcement and correctional officer retirement program study
- 1:45 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Tim Schuetzle, Warden and Director, Prisons Division, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, concerning the law enforcement and correctional officer retirement program study
- 2:00 p.m. Comments by Mr. Warren Emmer, Director, Field Services Division, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, concerning the law enforcement and correctional officer retirement program study
- 2:15 p.m. Comments by Mr. Roger Rostvet, Deputy Director, Game and Fish Department, concerning the law enforcement and correctional officer retirement program study
- 2:30 p.m. Comments by Mr. Paul Hendrickson, Griggs County Sheriff, Cooperstown, and immediate Past President, North Dakota Sheriffs and Deputies Association, concerning the law enforcement and correctional officer retirement program study
- 2:45 p.m. Comments by Mr. Allen Erickson, President, North Dakota County Commissioners Association, Carpio, concerning the law enforcement and correctional officer retirement program study
- 3:00 p.m. Coffee break
- 3:15 p.m. Comments by Ms. Connie Sprynczynatyk, Director, North Dakota League of Cities, concerning the law enforcement and correctional officer retirement program study
- 3:30 p.m. Comments by Mr. Daryl Vance, Chief, Watford City Police Department and President, North Dakota Chiefs of Police Association, concerning the law enforcement and correctional officer retirement program study
- 3:45 p.m. Presentation by Ms. Deborah Ness, Chief, Bismarck Police Department, concerning the law enforcement and correctional officer retirement program study and the Bismarck city police pension plan
- 4:00 p.m. Comments by other interested persons in attendance
- 4:30 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives concerning the law enforcement and correctional officer retirement program study
- 4:45 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Representatives Bette Grande (Chairman), Glen Froseth, Joe Kroeber, Wayne W. Tieman, Francis J. Wald
 Senators Ralph L. Kilzer, Karen K. Krebsbach, Stanley W. Lyson, Tim Mathern