

December 23, 2003

MEETING NOTICE

Senator Judy Lee, Chairman, has called a meeting of the **BUDGET COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE.**

Date: Tuesday and Wednesday, January 20-21, 2004

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Roughrider Room, State Capitol, Bismarck

Agenda: Presentations by representatives of the State Department of Health regarding the nursing home survey process and the implementation of the community health grant program; the North Dakota Long Term Care Association regarding the nursing home survey process and nursing home liability insurance coverage in North Dakota; the Department of Human Services regarding prescription drug programs, North Dakota's Medicaid program, and enrollment statistics and costs for the Healthy Steps program; the Board of Nursing regarding the nursing shortage in the state; and the Insurance Commissioner's office regarding the status of the Prescription Connection for North Dakota program and the cost-benefit analyses of legislative measures mandating health insurance coverage; and comments from representatives of nursing homes regarding the nursing home survey process

Special Note: Anyone who plans to attend the meeting and needs assistance because of a disability should contact the Legislative Council staff as soon as possible.

Committee Members: Senators Judy Lee, Robert S. Erbele, Tom Fischer, Ralph L. Kilzer, Tim Mathern, Russell T. Thane; Representatives David Drovdal, Joyce Kingsbury, Gary Kreidt, Ralph Metcalf, Carol A. Niemeier, Vonnie Pietsch, Todd Porter, Sally M. Sandvig, Gerald Uglem, Donald W. Vigasaa

Staff Contacts: Jim W. Smith, Legislative Budget Analyst and Auditor
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Any member who is unable to attend this meeting is asked to please notify this office as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

John D. Olsrud
Director

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