November 17, 2008

MEETING NOTICE

Senator Ray Holmberg, Chairman, has called a meeting of the **BUDGET SECTION**.

Date: Wednesday, December 3, 2008

Time: After adjournment of the organizational session, tentatively scheduled for 11:00 a.m.

Place: Senate Chamber, State Capitol, Bismarck

Agenda: Presentations by representatives of the Office of Management and Budget regarding the status of the state general fund, tobacco settlement proceeds, irregularities in the fiscal practices of the state, executive budget revenue forecast for the 2009-11 biennium, plans for the legislative revised revenue forecast on February 9, 2009, a review of the appropriation bill format, the 2009-11 executive budget recommendations, and specified commodities and services exempted from the procurement requirements of North Dakota Century Code Chapter 54-44.4; by a representative of the Department of Human Services regarding the status of the Medicaid management information system; by representatives of Economy.com regarding economic assumptions included in the executive budget revenue forecast for the 2009-11 biennium; North Dakota's economic outlook, including oil prices and agriculture commodity prices; and the impact of the state's oil industry on state revenues; by a representative of the Veterans Home on the status of the Veterans Home construction project; by a representative of the Industrial Commission regarding revenues and expenditures of the abandoned oil and gas well plugging and site reclamation fund; the geophysical, geothermal, subsurface minerals, and coal exploration fund; and the geologic data preservation fund for the 2007-09 biennium; by a representative of the Game and Fish Department regarding a report on the recruitment and retention of hunters in North Dakota; and consideration of state agency requests that have been authorized by the Emergency Commission and require Budget Section approval

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: Committee membership will be announced during the organizational session, December 1-3, 2008.

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