

# NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

## Minutes of the

### **BUDGET COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT SERVICES**

Tuesday, May 16, 2006  
Roughrider Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

Representative Al Carlson, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Members present:** Representatives Al Carlson, Randy Boehning, Ron Carlisle, Kari Conrad, Duane DeKrey, Jeff Delzer, Glen Froseth, Eliot Glassheim, Bette B. Grande, James Kerzman, Joe Kroeber, Ralph Metcalf, Darrell D. Nottestad, Ken Svedjan, Alon C. Wieland; Senators Duaine C. Espegard, Aaron Krauter, Elroy N. Lindaas, Stanley W. Lyson, Dave Nething

**Members absent:** Representatives Blair Thoreson, Dave Weiler; Senator Ed Kringstad

**Others present:** See attached appendix

**It was moved by Representative Grande, seconded by Senator Lindaas, and carried on a voice vote that the minutes of the March 30, 2006, committee meeting be approved as distributed.**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION STRATEGIC PLAN**

Mr. Dave Krabbenhoft, Director, Fiscal Affairs, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, presented information on the number of inmates by location. Mr. Krabbenhoft said for the biennium to date through May 14, 2006, the number of female inmates has averaged 160 inmates, 19 more than the estimated average population of 141. Mr. Krabbenhoft said for the biennium to date through May 14, 2006, the actual male inmate population has averaged 1,250 inmates, 19 more than the estimated average population of 1,231. Mr. Krabbenhoft said there has been a decrease in admissions for both males and females causing a smaller gap between actual populations and estimated populations. He said this happens every year in June or July but this year it is happening earlier. A copy of the information provided is on file in the Legislative Council office.

In response to a question from Senator Krauter, Mr. Krabbenhoft said the actual population for females was higher than the estimated populations at the Dakota Women's Correctional and Rehabilitation Center (DWCRC) and in the county jails. He said the actual population was lower than estimated for female transition.

In response to a question from Representative Carlson, Mr. Krabbenhoft said the potential effect on the 2005-07 biennium budget if the number of female inmates continues to exceed projections could range from \$2.1 million to \$2.5 million.

In response to a question from Senator Krauter, Mr. Krabbenhoft said the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's estimates were originally used in the 2005-07 budget request for the amount of funding needed for contracting with DWCRC. He said when a projection was later provided by DWCRC, it was not included in the budget.

In response to a question from Representative Carlisle, Mr. Krabbenhoft said the Bismarck Transition Center has been operational for more than two years. He said the department has recently begun placing individuals in the assessment center and the contract relapse program. He said the assessment center has 30 beds and the contract relapse program has 17 beds. He said the placement of individuals into these programs has caused the actual number of inmates at the State Penitentiary and the Missouri River Correctional Center to decrease but he expects the numbers to increase later.

In response to a question from Representative Conrad, Mr. Krabbenhoft said inmates on temporary leave status are those inmates who are temporarily away from the prison to appear in court or attend trial. He said the department must keep the beds open for these inmates as they will return to the facility.

In response to a question from Representative Grande, Mr. Krabbenhoft said the number of inmates on temporary leave status averages 13 to 15 per month.

In response to a question from Representative Carlson, Mr. Krabbenhoft said the total departmentwide budget shortfall could range from \$4.3 million to \$4.6 million. He said medical costs are stressing the budget because female medical costs are picked up by the department. He said it is hard to determine the budget shortfall for male inmates since total medical expenses include medical costs for females.

In response to a question from Representative Delzer, Mr. Krabbenhoft said inmates are paroled as soon as they are ready. He said the parole rate has increased. He said he will provide information to the committee relating to the number of inmates being paroled and the reason for their incarceration.

In response to a question from Senator Espegard, Mr. Krabbenhoft said the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's budget deficit will not double in the next fiscal year. He said the deficit is determined by factoring in the growth rate and the programs being used. He said the \$4.3 million to \$4.6 million deficit

includes March 2006 costs and population numbers. He said the calculation is updated every month. He said if the growth rate continues to drop it could reduce the projected deficit.

In response to a question from Representative Nottestad, Mr. Krabbenhoft said the department plans to decrease the number of inmates at the Appleton facility when the additional 20 to 25 beds at the James River Correctional Center become available.

In response to a question from Representative Conrad, Mr. Krabbenhoft said the department does not anticipate reducing treatment staff. He said requests for additional treatment staff will be put in an optional budget request for the 2007-09 biennium.

In response to a question from Representative Metcalf, Ms. Leann K. Bertsch, Director, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, said all authorized full-time equivalent positions for treatment staff are filled. She said the department will look at what treatment is being accessed and the level of aftercare needed when determining requests for additional staff in the 2007-09 budget request. She said the Department of Human Services will also be compiling information on how many former inmates are accessing the human service centers for treatment programs.

Representative Carlisle said the Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration will be meeting on June 20, 2006. He said the commission will have proposals and funding requests as a result of that meeting.

Chairman Carlson requested Representatives Kroeber and Carlisle provide information from the commission meeting to the committee at its next meeting.

Ms. Bertsch provided information on the department's requirements related to the care and custody of inmates which would also be required of a private correctional facility. Ms. Bertsch said inmate classification is used to make housing assignments by predicting institutional behavior and risk to the community. She said it is not indicative of the level or type of services an inmate would require.

Ms. Bertsch said if the committee is interested in getting an accurate proposal from a private facility vendor, a comprehensive request for proposal (RFP) would be needed. In a letter addressed to Chairman Carlson and provided to the committee, Ms. Bertsch recommended 21 major areas that would need to be addressed in the RFP. A copy of the letter is on file in the Legislative Council office.

In response to a question from Representative Carlson, Ms. Bertsch said the DWCRC contract is a good example of the issues the department faced when contracting for inmate housing. She noted the female population is small and the department has to pick up all medical costs. She said most states contract out 10 percent of their inmate population. She said the department contracts out approximately 30 percent of its total population to private facilities and programs, including DWCRC. She said the

department loses control over the quality and cost of services when it uses private facilities.

In response to a question from Representative Nottestad, Ms. Bertsch said the department has made progress in working with DWCRC. She said resolving contract issues for this biennium was less labor-intensive.

Representative Carlson said some counties do not want to contract for state inmates because reimbursement is not adequate. He said the contract should establish a fair price. He said a contract must identify what is expected of the vendor.

Representative Conrad said a systemic review is necessary to determine what the inmate needs really are. She said the state is spending tax dollars without a plan.

Ms. Bertsch said the department is currently using the county jail facilities for placement of overflow inmates. She said the department would like to use the county jail facilities for transitional purposes. She said the needs of the department might not be suitable for a private vendor.

Senator Krauter said the Legislative Assembly needs to give sufficient appropriations to fund the department's needs.

In response to a question from Senator Krauter, Ms. Bertsch said the department is aggressively paroling inmates when they are ready. She said the recidivism rate remains low at 17 percent. She said the national recidivism rate is over 50 percent.

Representative Svedjan said the purpose of the response received from Ms. Bertsch was to give the committee direction in moving toward analysis of the viability of a private facility. He asked if the recommendations in the letter could be used in place of an RFP to identify the state's requirements. He said the vendors could be asked to clarify which requirements would be covered in a base daily rate. He said the vendor could give an estimate on what the additional service costs would add to the rate.

Representative Carlson said he agreed with the department's plan of using the county facilities for transitional purposes. He said the committee does not have the authority to issue an RFP. He said a letter could be sent to Corrections Corporation of America for an estimate on construction and operations costs.

Representative Carlisle said a segregation wing and medical treatment should be a priority in services provided by a private vendor.

Senator Krauter said the department's concerns regarding private vendor compliance with a contract must be addressed. He said there is a difference between DWCRC and a private vendor. He said the private vendor would be a for-profit vendor and he asked what recourse the state would really have in the event of contract noncompliance.

Representative Boehning said consideration should be given to addressing what services the department could provide to the private vendor in an

effort to reduce the per diem rate, such as food service, and laundry.

Senator Lyson said the county facilities should be used for transitional purposes. He questioned the department's method of calculating revocation rates.

In response to a question from Senator Lyson, Ms. Bertsch said the department can analyze the revocation rate to show the number of inmates who have "relapsed" as a violation of their parole. Ms. Bertsch said she would provide information to the committee regarding the revocation rate and types of technical violations.

In response to a question from Representative Boehning, Mr. Krabbenhoft said the largest cost item in the 2007-09 budget request will be the facility expansion project. He said the department plans on discussing availability of funds in the preliminary planning revolving fund with the Office of Management and Budget.

In response to a question from Representative Carlson, Mr. Krabbenhoft said the Governor has endorsed the facility expansion project. He said the estimated cost for the project is \$38.8 million.

Mr. Krabbenhoft said staff and staff salaries are the department's No. 1 issue in developing its 2007-09 budget request. He said the facility is the second priority.

Chairman Carlson requested Mr. Krabbenhoft and the Office of Management and Budget budget staff provide information to the committee on the department's 2007-09 budget request before the completion of the committee's work.

Mr. Colby Braun, Operations Administrator, Dakota Women's Correctional and Rehabilitation Center, New England, presented information on DWCRC inmate population, capacity statistics, and remodeling plans. A copy of the information is on file in the Legislative Council office. Mr. Braun said DWCRC currently has a capacity of 126 inmates separated in three classification levels--minimum security, higher security, and orientation. The female population at DWCRC as of May 15, 2006, was 113 with 109 at the facility and 4 on temporary leave to appear in court. He said during the period from January 1, 2006, to April 30, 2006, 75 inmates were admitted and 71 were released.

Mr. Braun said the final construction walk-through for the new administrative segregation unit is scheduled for May 18, 2006. He said the unit has five cells, a day room, and a recreation yard for inmates needing to be segregated from the general population. He said the new unit will not increase the capacity of the facility but will provide more security to the facility as a whole. He said the unit cost approximately \$565,000 and was purchased through a no percent loan from the six counties which own the Southwest Multi-County Correction Center (SWMCRC). He said the counties also provided funding for the construction of the orientation unit, orientation bathroom, and officer station at Horizon Hall. He said the orientation unit was completed in the fall of 2005 and the

bathroom and officer station will be part of the walk-through on May 18, 2006.

Mr. Braun said the newest project at DWCRC is renovation of the old convent building. He said the asbestos removal project for this building was completed in March 2006. He said the building could house up to 50 inmates after renovation. He said this building would be used for inmates who are new mothers to keep their newborn babies with them for a period of time after birth. He said DWCRC is working on a budget to fund completion of the next phase in the renovation project.

Mr. Braun said DWCRC applied for grants for facility improvements, including the old convent building renovation and secure entrances to the facility. He said DWCRC is waiting for a reply on the grant applications.

Mr. Braun said DWCRC is working with Energy Services Group to complete a survey of the energy systems in the facility. He said DWCRC hopes to make improvements in 2007.

Mr. Braun said DWCRC, in cooperation with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, is working with Mr. Ken Rooks, Operations Administrator of the Dickinson facility, to develop a transitional facility within the Law Enforcement Center in Dickinson. He said the transitional facility could house up to eight inmates and serve as an opportunity for a successful release from prison. He said the unit may be used by both male and female inmates but if used by the female population, SWMCRC would have the ability to track the inmates from orientation until they are released through a transitional living center.

In response to a question from Representative Nottestad, Mr. Braun said there are no limitations on the number of female inmates DWCRC would take from the state.

In response to a question from Representative Froseth, Mr. Braun said DWCRC's renovation plans are feasible because the facility fulfills the need for a specific setting for female inmates.

In response to a question from Representative Carlson, Mr. Braun said DWCRC is looking at other contract opportunities to increase the inmate population.

In response to a question from Representative Carlson, Mr. Braun said DWCRC recently experienced staffing openings due to four additional staff needed for the administrative segregation unit and other staff going on maternity leave. He said DWCRC is receiving resumes for the openings and plans to be able to fill the positions.

Mr. Brad Holt, Vice President, American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Corrections United Local 2857, provided testimony against the privatization of the state's correctional facilities. Mr. Holt said private facilities are not a cost-saving alternative. He said a 1996 report from the United States General Accounting Office (GAO) could not conclude if privatization saved money. He said there are also

liability and safety issues to consider when contracting with private vendors. He said private facilities also pay lower wages than state facilities. A copy of Mr. Holt's testimony and information provided is on file in the Legislative Council office.

Representative Boehning said 22 of 28 studies he reviewed concluded that private facilities saved money. He said the only opposition he found to privatization was from AFSCME.

In response to questions from Representative Glasheim, Mr. Holt said the referenced GAO report studied privatization in Tennessee, Washington, and California. He said the most recent privatization report is related to Canadian facilities. He said he will provide copies of that report to committee members.

The Legislative Council staff presented a memorandum entitled [Shelby, Montana, Correctional Facility Information](#). The Legislative Council staff said the memorandum provided information regarding the RFP and related contracts for a private correctional facility in Shelby, Montana, which is owned and operated by Corrections Corporation of America.

The Legislative Council staff reviewed provisions contained in the RFP, including facility specifications and contractor requirements for finding a suitable site for the facility and providing all furniture, fixtures, and equipment.

The Legislative Council staff reviewed provisions from the design and construction contract, including Montana's unlimited rights to the drawings, designs, and specifications and a requirement for the contractor to pay up to \$100,000 for an independent state representative to be onsite as a contract manager during the construction phase.

The Legislative Council staff reviewed provisions from the operations and management contract, including health and counseling services to be provided by the contractor and Montana's agreement to advance to the contractor the first six months of operating per diem in the amount of \$3.6 million.

The Legislative Council staff said the Shelby facility currently has a population of 510 inmates from the state of Montana and 50 federal inmates, the Montana Men's Prison currently has a population of 1,471 inmates, and the Montana Women's Prison currently has a population of 244 inmates.

The Legislative Council staff said the daily inmate rate for the Shelby facility is \$44.47 for operational costs plus a \$9.14 exclusive use fee for a total daily inmate rate of \$53.61, the daily inmate rate for the Montana Men's Prison is \$61, and the daily inmate rate for the Montana Women's Prison is \$80.

The Legislative Council staff said the RFP provided Montana with the right of first refusal to lease or purchase the building in a buyback option. The Legislative Council staff said the exclusive use fee (\$9.14) paid as part of the per diem rate for the Shelby facility would be subtracted from the fair market value of the Shelby facility to arrive at a purchase price should Montana act on its option to purchase the facility.

In response to a question from Representative Carlson, the Legislative Council staff said a representative from the Montana Department of Corrections stated the contract is working well, due largely in part to the contract monitor onsite at the Shelby facility and the Shelby facility being new enough to meet all building codes.

Representative Glasheim asked for information from Montana regarding the state's share of medical costs for the Shelby facility.

Representative Metcalf asked for information from Montana regarding the level of treatment at the Shelby facility in comparison to treatment provided in North Dakota.

Senator Krauter asked for information from Montana regarding the use of general fund appropriations for its Department of Corrections and whether capital costs are included in determining the daily rates quoted.

In response to a question from Representative Carlisle, Mr. Krabbenhoft said he will provide information to the committee regarding medical costs for the department.

Chairman Carlson requested the Legislative Council staff contact a member of Montana's Legislature for information regarding the Shelby facility and the budget of the Montana Department of Corrections.

In response to a comment by Representative Delzer, Mr. Krabbenhoft said the Field Services Division and the Prisons Division both provide treatment programs for inmates.

Ms. Vonette J. Richter, Counsel, Legislative Council, presented a memorandum entitled [Civil Commitment of Sexually Dangerous Individuals - Treatment Requirements](#). She said this memorandum addresses the nature of the state's responsibility for providing treatment to individuals who have been committed as sexually dangerous individuals.

Ms. Richter said the legislation was enacted by the 1997 Legislative Assembly and codified as North Dakota Century Code (NDCC) Chapter 25-03.3, which created a judicial procedure for the civil commitment of sexually dangerous individuals. She said NDCC Section 25-03.3-17 provides that the executive director of the Department of Human Services has the duty to place the sexually dangerous individual in an appropriate facility or program where treatment is available. She said if the individual is not already in the custody of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, the Department of Human Services may not place the individual at the State Penitentiary or related penal facilities.

Ms. Richter said NDCC Section 25-03.3-17 provides that the individual's mental condition must be examined once a year and the individual has the right to have an expert conduct the examination at the expense of the Department of Human Services. She said the department may only release an individual from commitment pursuant to a court order and the court must release the individual once the individual is

no longer sexually dangerous. She said federal courts have held that a state's responsibility to provide treatment to sexually dangerous individuals cannot be based on whether adequate funds, staff, or facilities are available.

In response to a question from Representative Kroeber, Ms. Richter said the number of hours of treatment provided to an individual is determined by the treatment plan.

In response to a question from Representative Delzer, Ms. Richter said lack of treatment for an individual would create a punitive environment which would violate statute.

Representative DeKrey said court challenges may occur if it is determined that some sexually dangerous individuals cannot be treated. He said civil commitment for these individuals may be seen as punitive.

The committee recessed for lunch at 12:00 noon and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Ms. JoAnne Hoesel, Director, Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Department of Human Services, presented information regarding the status of the substance abuse treatment pilot project established by 2005 Senate Bill No. 2373. Ms. Hoesel said Senate Bill No. 2373 provided funding for a residential treatment program for individuals who are chemically dependent on methamphetamine or other controlled substances. She said \$500,000 was appropriated from the general fund with an additional \$800,000 from other sources.

Ms. Hoesel said the Department of Human Services issued an RFP in August 2005 with a contract being awarded to ShareHouse in Fargo in October 2005. She said the contract amount was \$785,858. She said the balance of \$285,585 would come from insurance, self-pay, and ShareHouse reserves. She said the contract is for a 20-bed residential treatment program and purchases 9,307 treatment days. She said the program, which is referred to as the Robinson Recovery Center, began on January 3, 2006.

Ms. Hoesel said as of May 5, 2006, the program had 16 individuals in treatment and 62 referrals. She said the program uses the MATRIX model of treatment which is an evidence-based treatment model that has shown effectiveness with individuals dependant on methamphetamine. She said referrals to the program are processed through the Department of Human Services eight regional human service centers. She said referrals can also be made by private interested parties, such as family members.

Ms. Hoesel said legislative intent is for the program to provide treatment for individuals who are not affiliated with the corrections system. She said individuals on probation who are first-time offenders can access the program.

Ms. Hoesel said the Robinson Recovery Center is staffed 24 hours a day with residential house supervisors. She said the clinical staff consists of two full-time licensed addiction counselors, one full-time

licensed social worker, and a case manager. A copy of the information provided is on file in the Legislative Council office.

In response to a question from Representative Conrad, Ms. Hoesel said the referrals not admitted to the center are receiving treatment elsewhere or do not meet the criteria for the program.

In response to a question from Senator Krauter, Ms. Hoesel said funding for the program is included in the Department of Human Services base level funding. She said additional funding requests may be made as an optional request for the 2007-09 biennium.

In response to a question from Representative Metcalf, Ms. Hoesel said ShareHouse has statistics on individuals not admitted and the reasons. She said she would provide this information to the committee.

In response to a comment from Representative Kroeber, Ms. Hoesel said treatment for methamphetamine use can be initiated earlier than previously thought. She said the physical withdrawal takes less time. She said the individuals need rigid initial treatment that focuses on skill-building. She said as the brain recovers, the individual can participate in other types of treatment.

In response to a question by Representative Delzer, Ms. Hoesel said Teen Challenge is not a treatment program. She said the program is a recovery and housing support program that is not licensed to provide treatment. She said the Department of Human Services needs to determine where Teen Challenge fits into the continuum of care. She said grant money was not available for a program in Grafton. She said the department continues to search for additional grant money.

In response to a question from Representative Delzer, Ms. Hoesel said the Department of Human Services received spending authority for appropriations made for a Grafton program but the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation received the funding to purchase services. Mr. Krabbenhoft said the \$500,000 appropriation has not been used.

In response to a question by Representative Glassheim, Ms. Hoesel said the length of time it takes to complete the program varies. She said one individual has completed the program and another is expected to complete the program within a week. She said one individual has been in the program since January 12, 2006.

In response to a question from Representative Nottestad, Ms. Hoesel said the program requires participants to become gainfully employed, either full-time or part-time, while in the program.

In response to a question from Representative Carlisle, Senator Lyson said the Williston Teen Challenge site is closed and has moved to Mandan. He said he believes Teen Challenge keeps good statistical records.

In response to a question from Representative Delzer, Mr. Krabbenhoft said he will provide

information to the committee regarding statistics for ShareHouse and Teen Challenge.

In response to a question from Senator Lyson, Mr. Krabbenhoft said the funding for Teen Challenge in Williston followed the program to Mandan.

### **COMMITTEE DISCUSSION REGARDING NORTH DAKOTA CORRECTIONAL FACILITY NEEDS**

Chairman Carlson said the committee needs to identify concepts for consideration in arriving at a solution for the correctional facility needs.

In response to a question from Representative Carlson, the legislative budget analyst and auditor said the committee can propose a bill draft or by motion include recommendations in the Budget Committee on Government Services final report.

Representative Wieland provided information regarding a proposal for a new facility. He said the proposal is based on the premise that the current sites for the State Penitentiary and the Missouri River Correctional Facility have commercial, industrial, and residential potential; the plan to remodel the existing facility resolves only short-term issues; space needs will emerge in approximately 7 to 10 years; remodeling costs are usually higher than new construction; and land outside the city can be acquired at a more reasonable price and can include long-term prison space requirements.

Representative Wieland proposed purchasing land in an inexpensive rural location and of a size significant enough to construct a new facility. He proposed a 650- to 800-bed facility that would include inmates currently at the Missouri River Correctional Center and would be capable of expansion to triple the bed number. He proposed keeping the facility open at the James River Correctional Center and keeping the female inmates at DWCRC. A copy of the proposal is on file in the Legislative Council office.

In response to a question from Representative Delzer, the legislative budget analyst and auditor said the committee is charged to arrive at a solution to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's facility needs and should not develop alternative solutions.

Representative Delzer said the committee should not include the department's plan for renovation as one of its options since the department will be requesting funding for that plan in its 2007-09 budget request. He said the committee needs to further consider a private facility.

Representative Kroeber asked the Legislative Council staff to provide information to the committee regarding the state bonding limits.

Representative Carlisle said there may be an option to use a part of the general fund surplus to fund the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's facility needs.

Representative Metcalf asked the Legislative Council staff to provide information to the committee regarding other states' use of "meth prisons"--facilities

dedicated exclusively to inmates addicted to the drug methamphetamine.

Senator Krauter said correctional facility needs are a problem in many states. He said information he has reviewed indicates Montana is moving away from privatization. He said there needs to be an environment for rehabilitation. He questioned the continuation of the inmate growth rate and the need for a new separate facility.

Representative Svedjan said the committee should formalize the pursuit of information on a private facility as an option. He said a private vendor should be asked if it can comply with the requirements outlined in Ms. Bertsch's letter and provide an explanation for areas where it cannot comply.

In response to a question from Senator Krauter, Representative Carlson said a private vendor may require the state to provide a guaranteed number of inmates.

Representative Glassheim said pursuing a private facility would set the project back since it may take a few years to negotiate a contract.

Representative Carlson said the intent is not to turn over control of the prison system to a private vendor. He said the private vendor would be used for overflow. He said the renovation plan proposed by the department is a band-aid approach. He proposed constructing new buildings on the current Penitentiary site.

In response to a question from Representative Wieland, the legislative budget analyst and auditor said a review by the Legislative Council staff indicates the state constitution does not contain any references to the location of the State Penitentiary. He said NDCC Section 12-47-01 establishes that the Penitentiary is to be located in Bismarck and affiliated facilities may be established at other locations throughout the state subject to the limits of legislative appropriations.

Representative Delzer requested the Legislative Council staff provide information to the committee regarding a comparison between state financing of a facility and using a buyback option from a private vendor.

In response to a comment by Representative Delzer, Senator Nething said the new facility should be constructed in the eastern part of the state where the majority of the state's population is located. He said NDCC Section 12-67-01 can be amended to allow the eastern North Dakota location.

Senator Lyson said an issue with having a private vendor construct a facility is the type and quality of construction.

Chairman Carlson requested the Legislative Council staff to provide information on the four concepts identified: (1) the department's renovation plan; (2) use of private facility; (3) new facility on new site; and (4) new buildings on current site. He said the committee would consider the proposals at the next meeting.

In response to a question from Representative Froseth, Mr. Krabbenhoft said he will provide information to the committee at its next meeting regarding the proposed costs for demolition of the east cellblock.

Chairman Carlson announced the next meeting will be scheduled during July 2006 in Bismarck.

The committee adjourned subject to the call of the chair at 2:30 p.m.

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