

BUDGET SECTION

(45 members)

- 3001 Hold the required legislative hearings on state plans for the receipt and expenditure of new or revised block grants passed by Congress
- Receive status report from the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education (NDCC § 4-05.1-19(10))
- Receive statement from an ethanol plant in operation before July 1, 1995, and receiving a production incentive from the state indicating whether the plant produced a profit from its operation in the preceding fiscal year, after deducting the payments received under the section (NDCC § 4-14.1-07.1)
- Approve any purchase of commercial or residential property by the Board of University and School Lands as sole owner (NDCC § 15-03-04)
- Authorize the State Board of Higher Education to authorize construction of any building, or campus improvements and building maintenance of more than \$385,000, if financed by donations (NDCC § 15-10-12.1)
- Receive biennial report from each institution under the control of the State Board of Higher Education undertaking a capital construction project that was approved by the Legislative Assembly and for which local funds are to be used which details the source of all funds used in the project (NDCC § 15-10-12.3)
- Approve, reject, or rerefer, upon receiving a recommendation from the Emergency Commission and in conjunction with the State Board of Higher Education and the North Dakota Economic Development Foundation, designation of a center of excellence recommended by the Centers of Excellence Commission (NDCC § 15-69-02)
- Receive annual audits from a center of excellence that is awarded funds under North Dakota Century Code Chapter 15-69 on the funds distributed to the center, until completion of four years following the final distribution of funds (NDCC § 15-69-05)
- Approve comprehensive statewide land acquisition plan established by the director of the Game and Fish Department and every land acquisition of more than 10 acres or exceeding \$10,000 by the Game and Fish Department (NDCC § 20.1-02-05.1)
- Authorize the Game and Fish Department to spend moneys in the game and fish fund if the balance would be reduced below \$15 million (NDCC § 20.1-02-16.1)
- Authorize the Developmental Center at Westwood Park, Grafton, to provide services under contract with a governmental or nongovernmental person (NDCC § 25-04-02.2)
- Approve waiver of exemption of state property in a city from special assessments levied for flood control purposes (NDCC § 40-23-22.1)
- Receive annual report from the Division of Community Services on conclusions of annual audits of renaissance fund organizations (NDCC § 40-63-07)
- Receive report from the commissioner of University and School Lands identifying every state agency that has not submitted a claim for property belonging to that agency (NDCC § 47-30.1-24.1)
- Approve state agency relinquishment of unclaimed property belonging to that agency (NDCC § 47-30.1-24.1)
- Approve the change or expansion of, or any additional expenditure for, a state building construction project approved by the Legislative Assembly (NDCC § 48-01.2-25)
- Approve termination of federal food stamp or energy assistance program (NDCC § 50-06-05.1)
- Receive report from Job Service North Dakota before March 1 of each year on the actual job insurance trust fund balance and the targeted modified average high-cost multiplier, as of December 31 of the previous year, and a projected trust fund balance for the next three years (NDCC § 52-02-17)
- Receive reports on fiscal irregularities (NDCC § 54-14-03.1)
- Approve transfers of money or spending authority which would eliminate or make impossible accomplishment of a program or objective funded by the Legislative Assembly (NDCC § 54-16-04)
- Approve transfers exceeding \$50,000 from one fund or line item to another unless necessary to comply with a court order or to avoid imminent threat to safety or imminent financial loss to the state (NDCC § 54-16-04)
- Approve, with the Emergency Commission, acceptance of any federal funds made available to the state which are not for a specific purpose or program and which are not required to be spent before the next regular legislative session for deposit in a special fund until the Legislative Assembly appropriates the funds (NDCC § 54-16-04.1)
- Approve Emergency Commission authorization of a state officer's acceptance of federal funds in excess of \$50,000 if the acceptance of funds is not necessary to avoid an imminent threat to the safety of people or property due to a natural disaster or war crisis or an imminent financial loss to the state (NDCC § 54-16-04.1)
- Approve Emergency Commission authorization of a state officer's expenditure of federal funds in excess of \$50,000 if acceptance of funds is necessary to avoid an imminent threat to the safety of people or property due to a natural disaster or war crisis or an imminent financial loss to the state (NDCC § 54-16-04.1)
- Approve Emergency Commission authorization of a state officer's acceptance of funds in excess of \$50,000 if the acceptance of funds is not necessary to avoid an imminent threat to the safety of people or property due to a natural disaster or war crisis or an imminent financial loss to the state (NDCC § 54-16-04.2)
- Approve Emergency Commission authorization of a state officer's expenditure of funds in excess of \$50,000 if acceptance of funds is necessary to avoid an imminent threat to the safety of people or property due to a natural disaster or war crisis or an imminent financial loss to the state (NDCC § 54-16-04.2)
- Approve Emergency Commission authorization of transfer of spending authority from the state contingencies appropriation in excess of \$50,000 if the transfer is not necessary to avoid an imminent threat to the safety of people or property due to a natural disaster or war crisis or an imminent financial loss to the state (NDCC § 54-16-09)
- Receive report from the director of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation on any new program that serves adult or juvenile offenders, including alternatives to conventional incarceration and programs operated on a contract basis, if the program is anticipated to cost in excess of \$100,000 during a biennium (NDCC § 54-23.3-09)
- Approve use of the capital improvements planning revolving fund (NDCC § 54-27-22)

Approve use of cash flow financing (NDCC § 54-27-23)

Receive report on transfers of funds from the budget stabilization fund to the state general fund to offset projected decrease in general fund revenues (NDCC § 54-27.2-03)

Receive report from the director of the Office of Management and Budget on the status of tobacco settlement funds and related information (NDCC § 54-44-04)

Receive report from the Office of Management and Budget regarding any purchase of oil put options by the State Investment Board to offset reduced state general fund oil and gas tax revenues due to oil and gas prices falling below selected levels (NDCC § 54-44-16)

Prescribe form of budget information prepared by the director of the budget (NDCC § 54-44.1-07)

Object to any allotment by the director of the budget, any expenditure of a budget unit, or any failure to make an allotment or expenditure if the action or failure to act is contrary to legislative intent (NDCC § 54-44.1-12.1)

Approve reduction of budgets due to initiative or referendum action (NDCC § 54-44.1-13.1)

Approve grants, not otherwise specifically approved by the Legislative Assembly, distributed by the Children's Services Coordinating Committee to children's services organizations and programs (NDCC § 54-56-03)

Approve execution by the Information Technology Department of proposed agreement to finance the purchase of software, equipment, or implementation of services in excess of \$1 million (NDCC § 54-59-05(4))

Receive summary of annual report from the Information Technology Department (NDCC § 54-59-19)

Receive report (for review) from the Tax Commissioner regarding any reduction the Tax Commissioner makes in the homestead property income tax credit (NDCC § 57-38-01.29)

Approve any reduction the Tax Commissioner makes in the commercial property income tax credit (NDCC § 57-38-01.30)

Receive periodic reports from Workforce Safety and Insurance and the Risk Management Division of the Office of Management and Budget on the success of a single workers' compensation account for state entities covered by North Dakota Century Code Chapter 32-12.2 (NDCC § 65-04-03.1)

Receive report in December of even-numbered years from the director of the Office of Management and Budget on specified commodities and services exempted by the director from the procurement requirements of North Dakota Century Code Chapter 54-44.4 (2003 S.L., ch. 36, § 42)

Receive report from the State Fair Association before July 1, 2008, regarding the status of constructing a new grandstand on the state fairgrounds, including the status of developing a business plan and the progress of fundraising efforts (2007 S.L., ch. 9, § 4)

Receive project startup report from the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation before the department's inmate medical system is implemented (2007 S.L., ch. 15, § 12)

Receive space, operational, and staffing plan from the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation at the first Budget Section meeting after March 1, 2008, regarding the State Penitentiary and James River Correctional Center (2007 S.L., ch. 15, § 17)

Receive report from the Industrial Commission during the 2007-08 interim on 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 (2007 S.L., ch. 314, § 7)

Receive periodic reports from the Attorney General on the status of the construction of a new crime laboratory during the 2007-08 interim (2007 S.L., ch. 30, § 13)

Receive report from the Public Service Commission and Facility Management Division by July 1, 2008, regarding the facility use agreement governing metrology services conducted within the current metrology facility and the future of the metrology laboratory (2007 S.L., ch. 35, § 11)

Receive annual report from the Agriculture Commissioner regarding the revenues and expenditures of the state meat inspection program (2007 S.L., ch. 36, § 13)

Receive annual report from the Agriculture Commissioner regarding the status of the endangered species program (2007 S.L., ch. 36, § 14)

Receive report from the Department of Human Services after June 30, 2008, regarding any transfers of appropriation authority in excess of \$50,000 between line items within subdivisions and between subdivisions of its appropriation for the 2007-09 biennium (2007 S.L., ch. 39, § 4)

Receive report from the Game and Fish Department by December 31, 2008, regarding the department's findings as a result of its study of the recruitment and retention of hunters in North Dakota (2007 S.L., ch. 43, § 7)

Receive quarterly reports from Workforce Safety and Insurance on the agency's status of implementing the performance audit recommendations of the State Auditor (2007 S.L., ch. 47, § 5)

Receive report from the Department of Human Services at each Budget Section meeting during the 2007-08 interim on the status of the Medicaid management information system computer project (2007 S.L., ch. 50, § 3)

Receive periodic reports from the Veterans Home during the 2007-08 interim regarding the status of the Veterans Home construction project (2007 S.L., ch. 55, § 4)

Approve any annual tuition increase of more than 5 percent for each year by the State Board of Higher Education for students attending institutions under its control for the 2007-08 and 2008-09 academic years (2007 S.L., ch. 3, § 18)

Approve or reject the correctional facility concept authorized by the Emergency Commission from the three correctional facility concepts forwarded to the commission by the Legislative Council's Correctional Facility Review Committee (2007 S.L., ch. 15, § 10)

Approve implementation of an inmate medical system by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (2007 S.L., ch. 15, § 12)

Approve up to \$10 million for funding centers of excellence at the first Budget Section meeting after September 1, 2007, and approve the remainder of the \$15 million appropriation for funding centers of excellence at the first Budget Section meeting after September 1, 2008 (2007 S.L., ch. 18, § 14)

Approve, with the Emergency Commission, loan of \$5 million by the Bank of North Dakota to the Office of Management and Budget for the purpose of providing funding to centers of excellence as directed by the Centers of Excellence Commission (2007 S.L., ch. 18, § 15)

Approve loan of up to \$2,920,000 by the Bank of North Dakota to the Secretary of State for the purpose of implementing the North Dakota business development engine information technology project (2007 S.L., ch. 18, § 18)

Approve loan of \$3.5 million by the Bank of North Dakota to the Department of Human Services for the purpose of providing the state matching share of additional medical assistance grants for developmental disabilities services (2007 S.L., ch. 39, § 5)

Approve the use of \$500,000 or more of contingency funds by the Department of Human Services for a project change or other occurrence relating to the Medicaid management information system (2007 S.L., ch. 50, § 4)

Review and report on budget data prepared by the director of the budget

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