

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Wednesday and Thursday, June 11-12, 2008

Dickinson State University  
Dickinson, North Dakota  
Roughrider Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

**Wednesday, June 11, 2008 - Ballroom, Student Center, Dickinson State University, 291 Campus Drive, Dickinson**

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order  
(MDT) Roll call  
Consideration of the minutes from the April 29-30, 2008, meeting
- DELIVERY AND FUNDING OF VETERANS' SERVICES STUDY**
- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft relating to the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Veterans Home, and the delivery of veterans' services
- 9:20 a.m. Comments by the commissioner of the Department of Veterans Affairs and representatives of the Administrative Committee on Veterans Affairs regarding the bill draft relating to the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Veterans Home, and the delivery of veterans' services
- 9:50 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the State Auditor's office regarding the Administrative Committee on Veterans Affairs' implementation of performance audit recommendations relating to the governance of the Veterans Home
- 10:05 a.m. Comments by county veterans' service officers and other interested persons regarding the committee's study of the delivery and funding of veterans' services, including comments on the bill draft relating to the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Veterans Home, and the delivery of veterans' services
- 10:50 a.m. Committee discussion regarding the committee's study of the delivery and funding of veterans' services, including comments on the bill draft relating to the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Veterans Home, and the delivery of veterans' services
- STUDY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES**
- 11:10 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Emergency Services regarding:
- Status of the department's task force relating to the structure and capability of emergency services
  - Cost estimates for upgrading the speed of the department's mobile data terminal system
- 11:30 a.m. Comments by area 911 coordinators and other interested persons regarding the committee's study of the Department of Emergency Services, including potential State Radio fee increases
- 12:00 noon Committee discussion regarding the committee's study of the Department of Emergency Services, including proposed Division of State Radio fee increases
- 12:15 p.m. Luncheon recess

### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM STUDY**

- 1:15 p.m. Comments by western North Dakota ambulance services regarding the committee's emergency medical services (EMS) system study
- 1:45 p.m. Travel to the Stark County Emergency Management and 911 Department, 66 Museum Drive West, Dickinson

### **TOUR**

- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Stark County Emergency Management and 911 Department regarding its services and use of federal homeland security funding
- 2:15 p.m. Tour of Stark County Emergency Management and 911 Department facilities
- 2:45 p.m. Recess

**Thursday, June 12, 2008 - Roughrider Room, State Capitol, Bismarck**

### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM STUDY**

- 9:00 a.m. (CDT) Presentation by a representative of the State Department of Health regarding:
- Department plans for implementing the recommendations of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's evaluation of the state's EMS system pursuant to Section 4 of 2007 House Bill No. 1296
  - Report on the findings and recommendations of the department's contractor evaluation of the state's trauma system and the department's responses to the recommendations pursuant to Section 1 of 2007 House Bill No. 1290
  - Report regarding the outcomes and recommendations of the Health Council's study of the minimum requirements of reasonable EMS coverage pursuant to Section 2 of 2007 House Bill No. 1162
- 10:00 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the North Dakota EMS Association regarding the association's proposed EMS system model, including information on implementation steps, estimated costs, and a map of proposed service areas
- 10:30 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft to expand the State Department of Health's EMS training grant program
- 10:45 a.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the committee's EMS system study, including the bill draft to expand the State Department of Health's EMS training grant program
- 11:00 a.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 11:30 a.m. Adjourn

### **Committee Members**

Representatives Todd Porter (Chairman), Randy Boehning, Mike Brandenburg, Ron Carlisle, Edmund Gruchalla, Pam Guleson, James Kerzman, Joe Kroeber, Bob Martinson, Vonnie Pietsch, Clara Sue Price, Don Vigasaa

Senators Joan Heckaman, Ralph L. Kilzer, Gary A. Lee, Elroy N. Lindaas, John M. Warner