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Chairman Carlson, members of the Legislative Management Committee. My name is Linda Jensen, Training and Development Administrator at Human Resource Management Services, a division of the Office of Management and Budget.

Our agency conducts training for state employees. Ninety percent of our training is held in Bismarck within the Capitol complex. Because there is not a designated room set aside for training within the Capitol, we use the various committee rooms available for meetings during the interim. During the last two interims the Peace Garden Room has had the wooden tables replaced with lighter weight, easier to move tables for purposes of training. This allows all agencies access to a meeting room that allows flexibility in how the room is set up.

Having flexibility in room set up is particularly appealing to the training section within HR Management Services in that it allows for optimal learning by participants when they engage in group activities involving problem solving, role playing, brainstorming, case study discussion, information sharing and/or a learning exercise.

Also, having the training staff within HR Management Services set up a room for a particular class eliminates the time needed by Facility Management.

Therefore, we ask your favorable consideration in having the large wooden tables removed from the Peace Garden Room during the interim to be replaced with lighter weight, easier to move tables from the Pioneer Room for the purpose of training which benefits all state agencies.

I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.