

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

WORKERS' COMPENSATION REVIEW COMMITTEE

Wednesday, August 5, 2009
Harvest Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

8:30 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Review of Supplementary Rules of Operation and Procedure of the North Dakota Legislative Management
Comments by chairman

8:40 a.m. Presentation by Ms. Jodi Bjornson, Workforce Safety and Insurance (WSI), regarding review of 2009 workers' compensation legislation

CLAIM REVIEW

9:10 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of the case review procedure used by the Workers' Compensation Review Committee during the 2007-08 interim
Comments by interested persons regarding recommendations for establishing case review procedure for the 2009-10 interim
Committee discussion regarding the case review procedure for the 2009-10 interim

9:40 a.m. Break

WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW STUDY

9:55 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum on the study of workers' compensation laws in this state and other states with respect to prior injuries, preexisting conditions, and degenerative conditions
Comments by interested persons
Committee discussion

RECEIPT OF REPORTS

10:25 a.m. Review of charge to receive reports:

- Receive a biennial report from WSI regarding compiled data relating to safety grants issued under North Dakota Century Code (NDCC) Chapter 65-03 (Section 65-03-05)
- Receive a report from WSI before August 1, 2010, on the results of its study of postretirement benefits available to an individual whose disability benefits end at the time of Social Security retirement eligibility (2009 S.L., ch. 613, § 1)
- Receive a report from the director of WSI, the chairman of the WSI Board of Directors, and the State Auditor regarding the biennial performance evaluation of WSI (NDCC Section 65-02-30)
- Receive an annual report from WSI which includes reports on pilot programs to assess alternative methods of providing rehabilitation services (NDCC Section 65-05.1-06.3)

10:30 a.m. Comments by Mr. Gordy Smith, State Auditor's office, regarding the WSI biennial performance evaluation

- 10:50 a.m. Comments by a representative of WSI, regarding the WSI biennial performance evaluation
- 11:05 a.m. Comments by Ms. Robin Halvorson, WSI, regarding the annual reports on pilot programs to assess alternative methods of providing rehabilitation services
- 11:15 a.m. Comments by interested persons
Committee discussion and directives

FUTURE MEETINGS

- 11:30 a.m. Committee discussion and directives
- 11:45 a.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Representatives Dan Ruby (Chairman), Bill Amerman, Francis J. Wald
Senators Richard Marcellais, Terry M. Wanzek, Rich Wardner