

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

**GOVERNMENT FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, September 28, 2016  
Roughrider Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

9:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of the minutes of the June 16, 2016, meeting

**STATE BUDGET INFORMATION**

9:05 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Office of Management and Budget regarding:

- The status of the general fund, including major revenue estimate variances to the original and revised revenue forecasts
- Current fund balances of major state funds
- Anticipated deficiency appropriation requests for the 2015-17 biennium
- Estimated agency general fund turnback at the end of the 2015-17 biennium
- Preliminary estimates of 2017-19 biennium general fund and oil tax revenues
- A report regarding reports from each executive branch agency receiving federal funds and of a plan to operate the state agency if federal funds the agency receives would be reduced by 5 percent or more

9:55 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the North Dakota University System office regarding:

- The University System's plan for addressing the 6.55 percent general fund budget reductions
- The anticipated effects of the reductions on University System office and institution programs and services
- Tentative per-credit-hour funding calculations and other budget request changes for the 2017-19 biennium

10:45 a.m. Presentations by the Legislative Council staff regarding:

- The legislative history of the statutory health plan renewal procedures
- The school construction loan interest rate buydown program
- Highway tax distribution fund allocation estimates for the 2015-17 biennium
- The *2016 North Dakota Finance Facts* brochure

11:00 a.m. Committee discussion

**STUDY OF STATUTORY AND REGULATORY  
REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO FEDERAL FUNDING**

11:10 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Department of Public Instruction regarding the potential to reduce federal grant administration costs and state and local costs relating to federal programs

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft [17.0196.01000] which requires state agencies to perform an analysis prior to applying for or accepting federal funds, and to continue the study of statutory and regulatory requirements placed on North Dakota state government agencies by United States government agencies
- 1:10 p.m. Comments by interested persons
- 1:15 p.m. Committee discussion

**OTHER COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 1:30 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Lynn Helms, Director, Department of Mineral Resources, regarding the status of oil and gas development in the state and projected future development

**STUDY OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THE BUDGET SECTION**

- 2:30 p.m. Presentation by representatives of the Office of Management and Budget regarding the potential to improve how agencies notify the Office of Management and Budget of federal grant applications
- 2:40 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of proposed bill drafts to:
- Amend North Dakota Century Code Section 15-10-12.1, relating to higher education campus improvements and building construction [17.0073.01000]
  - Repeal Chapter 54-56 and Sections 54-23.3-09, 57-38-01.29, and 57-38-01.30, relating to reporting of new Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation programs, the homestead income tax credit, the commercial property income tax credit, and the Children's Services Coordinating Committee [17.0193.01000]
  - Amend of Section 4-05.1-19(10) to require State Board of Agricultural Research and Education reports be provided rather than presented and amend Section 54-59-19 to remove the requirement for the Information Technology Department to report to the Budget Section [17.0194.01000]
  - Amend Section 54-06-37 to remove the Budget Section's authority to approve the purchase or lease of aircraft [17.0195.01000]
- 3:10 p.m. Comments by interested persons
- 3:20 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn

**Committee Members**

Representatives: Jeff Delzer (Chairman), Rick C. Becker, Joshua A. Boschee, Glen Froseth, Eliot Glassheim, Jessica Haak, Craig Headland, Jim Kasper, Kim Koppelman, Vernon Laning, Mike Lefor, Scott Louser, Chet Pollert, Jim Schmidt, Vicky Steiner, Don Vigesaa, Kris Wallman

Senators: Ron Carlisle, Ralph Kilzer, Richard Marcellais, Ronald Sorvaag

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