

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Thursday, October 5, 2017  
Harvest Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 10:00 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Comments by the Chairman  
Review of the *Supplementary Rules of Operation and Procedure of the North Dakota Legislative Management*
- 10:15 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum entitled *Workers' Compensation Review Committee - Background Memorandum*

**REPORTS**

- 10:25 a.m. Review of reports the committee is charged with receiving:
- Report from the Director of Workforce Safety and Insurance (WSI), the Chairman of the WSI Board of Directors, and the audit firm regarding the quadrennial performance evaluation of WSI and select up to four elements for inclusion in the performance evaluation (North Dakota Century Code Section 65-02-30)
  - Status reports on WSI's current rehabilitation services pilot programs (Section 65-05.1-06.3)
  - A biennial report from WSI regarding compiled data relating to safety grants issued under Chapter 65-03 (Section 65-03-05)
  - A report from WSI on recommendations based on the biennial safety review of Roughrider Industries work programs and the biennial performance review of the program of modified workers' compensation coverage by WSI (Section 65-06.2-09)

**BACKGROUND AND 2017 LEGISLATIVE REVIEW**

- 10:35 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Bryan Klipfel, Executive Director, Workforce Safety and Insurance, providing an overview of WSI and WSI trends and initiatives
- 10:50 a.m. Comments by interested persons
- 10:55 a.m. Break
- 11:05 a.m. Presentation by Ms. Jodi Bjornson, Chief Counsel, Workforce Safety and Insurance, of 2017 legislation relating to the state's workers' compensation system
- 11:25 a.m. Comments by interested persons
- 11:30 a.m. Committee discussion

**PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

- 11:40 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Ronald I. Tolstad, Jr., Operations Manager and Technical Specialist, State Auditor's office, regarding an overview of the quadrennial WSI performance evaluation, the status of the 2018 performance evaluation, and elements included in the 2018 performance evaluation
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess
- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Tim Wahlin, Chief of Injury Services, Workforce Safety and Insurance, regarding the status of the most recent WSI performance evaluation and proposed elements for inclusion in the 2018 WSI performance evaluation

1:10 p.m. Comments by interested persons

1:15 p.m. Committee discussion

### **CLAIM REVIEW PROCESS**

1:20 p.m. Introduction of WSI staff who participate in the claim review process

Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of the review procedure and application forms used by the Workers' Compensation Review Committee during the 2015-16 interim

1:30 p.m. Comments by interested persons

1:35 p.m. Committee discussion and directives regarding the case review procedure, applicant access, and application forms for the 2017-18 interim

### **COMMITTEE WORK**

1:45 p.m. Discussion of future committee meetings and other administrative matters

2:00 p.m. Adjourn

### **Committee Members**

Senators: Jonathan Casper (Chairman), Randall A. Burckhard, Erin Oban  
Representatives: Joshua A. Boschee, George J. Keiser, Dan Ruby

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