

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

**GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, August 14, 2019  
Roughrider Room, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

9:30 a.m. Call to order  
Roll call  
Review of the *Supplementary Rules of Operation and Procedure of the North Dakota Legislative Management*

9:35 a.m. Comments by the Chairman

**STUDY OF THE STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE RADIO NETWORK**

9:45 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum regarding the committee's study of the statewide interoperable radio network (SIRN)

9:55 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Duane Schell, Chief Technology Officer, Information Technology Department, regarding the current SIRN governance, plans for use of the funding provided for the 2019-21 biennium, and any other concerns or challenges related to SIRN and the consolidation of public safety communications

10:40 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Department of Emergency Services, Division of State Radio, regarding SIRN and public safety answering points (PSAPs), including the current number of PSAPs, suggestions for consolidating PSAPs, and any concerns or challenges related to SIRN and the consolidation of public safety communications

11:00 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Jerry Bergquist, Chairman, Emergency Services Communications Coordinating Committee, regarding the role of the coordinating committee, suggestions for consolidating PSAPs, and any concerns or challenges related to SIRN and the consolidation of public safety communications

11:15 a.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the study

11:20 a.m. Committee discussion regarding the study

**STUDY OF ACCESSIBILITY OF THE STATE CAPITOL**

11:30 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum regarding the committee's study of accessibility of the State Capitol

11:35 a.m. Presentation by Mr. John Boyle, Director, Facility Management Division, Office of Management and Budget, regarding the accessibility of the State Capitol grounds, including any concerns and suggestions to improve accessibility to comply with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

12:00 noon Comments by interested persons regarding the study

12:05 p.m. Committee discussion regarding the study

12:15 p.m. Luncheon recess

**STUDY OF STATE AND FEDERAL VETERANS' PROGRAMS**

1:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum regarding the committee's study of state and federal veterans' programs

1:10 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Administrative Committee on Veterans' Affairs (ACOVA) regarding its oversight of the Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Veterans' Home, programs available to North Dakota veterans, and ways to improve the care, assistance, and benefits available to veterans

- 1:25 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Lonnie Wangen, Commissioner, Department of Veterans' Affairs, regarding the mission and role of the department, the department's programs and services provided to North Dakota veterans, and any concerns or suggestions regarding services and benefits available to veterans
- 1:40 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Veterans' Home regarding the mission and role of the Veterans' Home, including services provided for North Dakota veterans, and any concerns or suggestions regarding services and benefits available to veterans
- 1:55 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Adjutant General's office regarding National Guard enlistment trends, National Guard programs available to North Dakota veterans, and any concerns or suggestions regarding services and benefits available to North Dakota veterans
- 2:10 p.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the study
- 2:15 p.m. Committee discussion regarding the study

### **STUDY OF OTHER USES OF THE VETERANS' HOME FACILITIES**

- 2:25 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum regarding the committee's study of other uses of the Veterans' Home facilities
- 2:30 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the Veterans' Home regarding the study, including:
  - History of the Veterans' Home and its facilities
  - History of occupancy rates for basic care and skilled care
  - Potential uses of Veterans' Home facilities and grounds for other revenue-generating uses and any concerns regarding these activities, including the affect of federal funds requirements and on the availability of federal funds
- 3:15 p.m. Presentation by a representative of ACOVA regarding the study, including any opportunities or concerns of using Veterans' Home facilities and grounds for other revenue-generating purposes
- 3:30 p.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the study
- 3:35 p.m. Committee discussion regarding the study

### **OTHER**

- 3:45 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum regarding other committee responsibilities
- 3:50 p.m. Comments by interested persons regarding the committee's responsibilities
- 3:55 p.m. Committee discussion
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn

### **Committee Members**

Senators: Randy Burckhard (Chairman), Jay Elkin, John Grabinger, Joan Heckaman, Richard Marcellais, Scott Meyer, Kristin Roers  
Representatives: Pamela Anderson, Glenn Bosch, Karen Karls, Ben Koppelman, Jon O. Nelson, Austen Schauer, Cynthia Schreiber-Beck

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