



GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

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9:30 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the minutes of the January 22, 2020, meeting

STUDY OF ACCESSIBILITY OF THE STATE CAPITOL

9:35 a.m. Presentation by Mr. John Boyle, Director, Facility Management Division, Office of Management and Budget, regarding:

- The cost of improvements to the State Capitol for compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), including costs identified by state government branch
- A prioritized list of ADA concerns identified in the J2 Studio Architecture + Design, PC report
- A list of ADA concerns that can be addressed during the 2019-20 interim, including concerns already addressed, remaining concerns to be addressed, and expected costs and funding sources to be used
- A list of ADA concerns, costs, and proposed funding to be included in the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) 2021-23 biennium budget request
- An update of the State Capitol south entrance project

10:15 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft to provide an appropriation to OMB for costs associated with the implementation of changes to the State Capitol grounds for compliance with the ADA

10:20 a.m. Committee discussion

OTHER COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

10:40 a.m. Presentation by a representative of OMB regarding the reports from each executive branch agency receiving federal funds of a plan to operate the agency if federal funds the agency receives would be reduced by 5 percent or more, pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 54-27-27.1

STUDY OF THE STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE RADIO NETWORK

- 10:50 a.m. Distribution of a report from the Information Technology Department regarding membership of the Statewide Interoperable Executive Committee, including delegate members
- 11:00 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum regarding potential committee recommendations related to the study of the statewide interoperable radio network
- 11:10 a.m. Committee discussion

STUDY OF OTHER USES OF THE VETERANS' HOME FACILITIES

- 11:20 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Veterans' Home regarding the Veterans' Home 2021-23 biennium budget request, including plans to increase basic care census and agency revenue
- 11:40 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum regarding potential committee recommendations related to the study of other uses of the Veterans' Home facilities
- 11:45 a.m. Committee discussion
- 12:00 noon Recess

STUDY OF STATE AND FEDERAL VETERANS' PROGRAMS

- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Robert Fode, Chairman, Task Force for Veterans Affairs, regarding recommendations made by the task force to the Governor to improve the care, assistance, and benefits available to veterans
- 1:15 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Lonnie Wangen, Commissioner, Department of Veterans' Affairs, regarding:
- The Department of Veterans' Affairs 2021-23 biennium budget request, including plans to incorporate the recommendations of the Task Force for Veterans Affairs and other plans to improve the care, assistance, and benefits available to veterans
 - A review of the State Auditor's office 2018 performance audit of the department, including actions taken by the department to address concerns and recommendations identified in the audit report
- 2:00 p.m. Committee discussion
- 2:15 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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