

**Tentative Agenda**  
**ORIENTATION AND TRAINING SESSIONS**  
**FOR CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES**

**Monday-Friday, December 9-13, 2024**

9:00 a.m. - **Leadership staff** - Training on cybersecurity, Microsoft Windows, Word, Excel, and Outlook - Assistance provided as available - *Information Technology staff, Legislative Council*

**Monday, December 9, 2024 - House and Senate Committee Clerks - Brynhild Haugland Room**

8:00 - Receive desk assignments and prepare area, tour of committee rooms, receive committee room supplies, have formal legislative picture taken - *Lori Ziegler, Legislative Administrative Officer, Legislative Council*

9:30 a.m. - Orientation by the Legislative Council staff

9:30 a.m. Introduction - Overview of the legislative process - Employee/staff/intern relationships - *John Bjornson, Director, Legislative Council*

9:35 a.m. Distribute packets

9:40 a.m. Overview of Committee Clerk activities - *Emily Thompson, Legal Division Director, Legislative Council*

10:00 a.m. Overview of the North Dakota Century Code - *Christopher S. Joseph, Assistant Legal Division Director, Legislative Council*

10:15 a.m. Enrolling and engrossing - Amendment approval requirements - *Megan J. Gordon, Code Revisor, Legislative Council*

10:30 a.m. Fiscal notes - *Sheila M. Sandness, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Council*

1:00 p.m. **House and Senate Appropriations Committees Clerks** - Appropriation bills and budget status reporting - *Legislative Council fiscal staff*

1:30 p.m. Committee hearings - Impact of the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 - *Dustin A. Richard, Counsel, Legislative Council*

2:00 - Training on the Legislative Session Employee Manual and committee procedures - *Melissa Ingram, Library and Records Assistant, Legislative Council*

4:00 - Cybersecurity training - *Information Technology staff*

**Tuesday, December 10, 2024 - House and Senate Committee Clerks - Brynhild Haugland Room**

8:00 - Training on use of Windows, Word, and Outlook - *Information Technology staff*

9:00 - Training on use of Legislator's Automated Work Station (LAWS) system and on the legislative branch website - *Information Technology staff*

10:00 a.m. - Meeting simulations and discussion of clerk responsibilities - *Information Technology staff and Melissa Ingram*

1:00 - Training on committee room equipment, including committee room touch panels, projectors and monitors, laptops, printers and scanners; placement of committee clerks; and Microsoft Teams demonstrations - *Information Technology staff*

**Wednesday, December 11, 2024**

- 8:00 a.m. - **House and Senate Committee Clerks** - Brynhild Haugland Room - Training on creating committee minutes and the use of the committee report system - *Library and Records Services staff and Information Technology staff*
- 4:30 p.m.
- 1:00 - **House Chief Clerk and Secretary of the Senate** (Assistant Chief Clerk and Assistant Secretary of the Senate [backup]) - House and Senate Chambers - Training on use of the voting system - *Information Technology staff*
- 3:00 p.m.
- 3:00 - **House Chief Clerk and Secretary of the Senate** - House and Senate Chambers - Cybersecurity training - *Information Technology staff*
- 4:00 p.m.
- 4:30 - **House and Senate Appropriations Committee Clerks, Quality Assurance Clerks, and Chief Clerks** - Brynhild Haugland Room - Discussion on the use of green sheets and long sheets - *Melissa Ingram*
- 5:00 p.m.

**Thursday, December 12, 2024**

- 8:00 a.m. - **House and Senate Committee Clerks** - Brynhild Haugland Room - Training on the committee hearing schedule, use of committee room video systems, managing remote meetings, video indexing, digital signage, and scanning and uploading testimony - *Information Technology staff*
- 5:00 p.m.
- 8:00 - **House and Senate Bill and Recording Clerks** (Assistant Chief Clerk and Assistant Secretary of the Senate [backup]) - House Chamber - Training on use of the assignment of bill numbers system and the chamber camera systems - *Information Technology staff*
- 11:00 a.m.
- 11:00 a.m. - **House Assistant Chief Clerk, Assistant Secretary of the Senate, House and Senate Calendar Clerks, and House and Senate Bill and Recording Clerks** - House and Senate Chambers - Cybersecurity training - *Information Technology staff*
- 12:00 noon
- 1:00 - **House and Senate Calendar Clerks** (Assistant Chief Clerk and Assistant Secretary of the Senate [backup]) - House and Senate Chambers - Training on use of the calendar system - *Information Technology staff*
- 5:00 p.m.

**Friday, December 13, 2024**

- 8:00 a.m. - **Assistant Chief Clerk and Assistant Secretary of the Senate** (Journal Clerks [backup]) - House and Senate Chambers - Training on use of the message system - *Kylah E. Aull, Manager Library and Records Services, Legislative Council, and Information Technology staff*
- 12:00 noon
- 8:00 a.m. - **House and Senate Committee Clerks** - Brynhild Haugland Room - Practice session using simulations and demonstrations of committee meetings - *Melissa Ingram and Information Technology staff*
- 12:00 noon
- 1:00 - **Quality Assurance Clerks and Chief Committee Clerks** - Brynhild Haugland Room - Training on reviewing minutes and testimony and video index entries - *Melissa Ingram*
- 3:00 p.m.
- 3:00 - **Chief Committee Clerks** - Brynhild Haugland Room - Training on managing workflow and tracking meeting minute packets and indexed video - *Melissa Ingram*
- 4:00 p.m.

**Monday-Thursday, December 16-19, 2024**

- 9:00 a.m. - **House and Senate Journal Reporters** (Assistant Chief Clerk and Assistant Secretary of the Senate [backup]) - House and Senate Chambers - Training on journal report system and cybersecurity - Assistance provided as available - *Kylah E. Aull and Information Technology staff*
- 5:00 p.m.

**Thursday, January 2, 2025**

- 8:00 a.m. **House and Senate Committee Clerks and Legislative Interns** - Prairie Room - Assignment of committee rooms; introductions among Legislative Interns, Legislative Council legal staff, and Committee Clerks - *John Bjornson*

- 8:15 a.m. **Legislative Interns** - Prairie Room - Employment information - *Lori Ziegler*
- 8:30 a.m. **Legislative Interns** - Prairie Room - Cybersecurity training - *Information Technology staff*
- 8:20 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **House and Senate Committee Clerks** - Brynhild Haugland Room - Meeting simulations to practice applying the training and instruction received at previous training sessions - *Information Technology staff and Library and Records Services staff*
- 9:15 a.m. **Legislative Interns** - Prairie Room - General overview and information - *Megan J. Gordon and Liz Fordahl, Counsel, Legislative Council*
- 10:15 a.m. **Legislative Interns** - Break
- 10:30 a.m. **Legislative Interns** - Prairie Room - Training on bill tracking, LAWS, and the website - *Information Technology staff*
- 12:00 noon Recess
- 1:00 p.m. **Legislative interns** - Prairie Room - Drafting amendments and workflow - *Christopher S. Joseph, Megan J. Gordon, Liz Fordahl, and Andrea Cooper, Administrative Manager/Analyst, Legislative Council*
- 3:45 p.m. **Legislative Interns** - Prairie Room - Presentation on workplace harassment policy - *Liz Fordahl*

### Friday, January 3, 2025

- 9:00 a.m. **Legislative Interns** - Prairie Room - Question and answer session - *Megan J. Gordon and Liz Fordahl*
- 9:30 a.m. **Legislative Interns** - Prairie Room - Additional training in amendment drafting - *Christopher S. Joseph and Megan J. Gordon*
- 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon **House and Senate Chief Pages** - House/Senate Page Rooms - Cyber security training, public website, LAWS, kiosk print on demand responsibilities - *Information Technology staff*
- 10:45 a.m. **Legislative Interns** - Prairie Room - Tour - *Megan J. Gordon and Liz Fordahl*
- 11:15 a.m. **Legislative Interns** - Prairie Room - Gather supplies, organize workstation, and self-tour
- 12:00 noon Recess
- 1:00 p.m. **Legislative Interns** - Prairie Room - In-room amendment drafting