

October 17, 2013

MEETING NOTICE

Senator Judy Lee, Chairman, has called a meeting of the **HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE**.

Date: Wednesday, October 30, 2013

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Roughrider Room, State Capitol, Bismarck

Agenda: Presentations by representatives of the North Dakota Dental Association regarding the distribution of dentists in the state and the appropriate number of dentists in a population; the State Department of Health regarding dental programs available through the department, oral health needs assessment documents, the status of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) oral health grant funding, results of a recent tobacco prevention and control media campaign, trends in smokeless tobacco, 2013-15 biennium tobacco prevention and control funding by CDC focus area, the cost of cessation programs, community paramedic programs operating in other states, the status of the community paramedic and community health care worker pilot program, and autopsy services and funding in the state; the Tobacco Prevention and Control Executive Committee regarding the number of tobacco users in the state, spending per tobacco user, and changes in the number of tobacco users statewide; the North Dakota Optometric Association regarding the distribution of optometrists in the state, the appropriate number of optometrists in a population, and whether there is a shortage of optometrists in the state; the North Dakota University System regarding the cost of educating health care professionals in the state, the estimated cost of educating dentists, optometrists, and veterinarians in the state, and the number of students applying and accepted to professional student exchange programs; other presentations, including presentations by the State Department of Health and Tobacco Prevention and Control Executive Committee regarding how the comprehensive statewide tobacco prevention and control programs provided by the department and the executive committee address tobacco use by the Native American population on the Indian reservations; presentations by dental service providers, representatives of midlevel dental service provider training programs, and The Pew Charitable Trusts regarding midlevel dental services provider education, certification, and licensure in Minnesota and Alaska, the role of midlevel dental service providers, and workforce data related to access to oral health services; and presentations by the Legislative Council staff of a background memorandum regarding the committee's study of autopsy funding and services in the state and legislation considered during the 2013 legislative session relating to the repayment of tuition assistance provided through professional student exchange programs

Special Note: Anyone who plans to attend the meeting and needs assistance because of a disability should contact the Legislative Council staff as soon as possible.

Committee Members: Senators Judy Lee, Howard C. Anderson, Jr., Robert Erbele, Joan Heckaman, Oley Larsen, Tim Mathern; Representatives Dick Anderson, Alan Fehr, Curt Hofstad, Rick Holman, Jon Nelson, Marvin E. Nelson

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Any member unable to attend this meeting is asked to notify this office as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Jim W. Smith
Director

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