NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Tentative Agenda

GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, April 2, 2014 Roughrider Room, State Capitol Bismarck, North Dakota

9:00 a.m.	Call to order Roll call Consideration of the minutes of the January 16, 2014, meeting
9:05 a.m.	DY OF FACILITY NEEDS OF STATE AGENCIES IN BISMARCK AREA Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum summarizing the results of a space needs survey of departments located in the Bismarck area
9:15 a.m.	Presentation by representatives of the Facility Management Division, Office of Management and Budget, regarding:
	 The amount of leased, owned, and total space by department;
	 The cost of leased space and owned space per full-time equivalent (FTE) position by department;
	 The projected space needs for each department; and
	A build versus lease cost analysis
9:40 a.m.	Presentation by representatives of the Supreme Court regarding an update on the space needs analysis of the Supreme Court
10:00 a.m.	Comments by interested persons regarding the committee's study of facility needs of state agencies in the Bismarck area
10:25 a.m.	Committee discussion regarding the committee's study of facility needs of state agencies in the Bismarck area
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11:25 a.m.	Presentation by representatives of the State Hospital regarding priorities for capital project needs, including:
	 Total space, used space, and potential uses of unused space, including associated costs;
	 Potential building projects and renovations, including associated cost estimates;
	 Other projects, including associated cost estimates;
	 Recommended building demolitions, including associated cost estimates;
	 Cost estimates for making necessary building improvements;
	 Deferred maintenance costs; and
	 Agricultural land managed by the State Hospital, including a recommendation for how much of the land could be sold
11:55 a.m.	Comments by interested persons regarding the committee's study of the use of structures and property of the James River Correctional Center and the State Hospital
12:00 noon	Committee discussion regarding the committee's study of the use of structures and property of the James River Correctional Center and the State Hospital
12:15 p.m.	Luncheon recess
	STUDY OF CURRENT STATE AND FEDERAL BENEFITS
1:15 p.m.	AVAILABLE TO NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS Presentation by representatives of the Department of Veterans' Affairs regarding:
	 Allowances for caskets, including the differences between counties;
	 Methods of communicating available benefits to the state's veterans;
	An update on the status of the service dog training program
1:45 p.m.	Presentation by representatives of the Tax Department regarding the amount of tax benefits claimed by veterans and the amount claimed by surviving spouses
2:00 p.m.	Presentation by representatives of the Adjutant General regarding projected costs for writing, publishing, and distributing a record of all North Dakota veterans, including those killed in action and missing in action, since statehood
2:15 p.m.	Presentation by representatives of the State Treasurer's office regarding the status of the veterans' postwar trust fund
2:25 p.m.	Presentation by representatives of the ND Cares Task Force regarding an update on the activities of the task force
2:45 p.m.	Comments by interested persons regarding the committee's study of current state and federal benefits available to North Dakota veterans
3:00 p.m.	Committee discussion regarding the committee's study of current state and federal benefits available to North Dakota veterans
	OTHER COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES
3:10 p.m.	Receive a report from the Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 50-06.1-16 regarding:
	The committee's activities;
	 The committee's goals and progress made in reaching these goals;
	 Barriers to achieve the committee's goals; and
	 Strategies and policies that can help the committee realize its goals
3:20 p.m.	Committee discussion and staff directives
3:30 p.m.	Adjourn

Committee Members

Senators: Ronald Sorvaag (Chairman), Ron Carlisle, Richard Marcellais, David O'Connell Representatives: Roger Brabandt, Glen Froseth, Ed Gruchalla, Rick Holman, Karen Karls, George J. Keiser, Curtiss Kreun, Scott Louser, Gail Mooney, Chet Pollert, Vicky Steiner, Alon Wieland

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