March 25, 2014

MEETING NOTICE

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

Date: Thursday, April 24, 2014

Time: 9:00 a.m.

- Place: Fargo City Commission Meeting Room, Fargo City Hall, 200 Third Street North, Fargo
- Agenda: Presentations by representatives of the North Dakota State College of Science regarding an overview of its dental programs and options to expand these programs; the Academy of General Dentistry regarding barriers to better oral health and options for improving oral health; the North Dakota Association of Counties regarding autopsy costs incurred by the counties; the Cass County Coroner's office regarding current and optimal provision of medicolegal death investigation services in the state, current and unmet needs, obstacles, and practices within the medicolegal death investigation system in the state, and state, county, and family responsibilities for the cost of autopsies, including transportation; the North Dakota Association of Counties and the Cass County Coroner's office regarding the impact on counties and autopsy services of changes in the responsibility for the cost of autopsies; the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences regarding statewide standards for death investigation and expectations for achieving national standards for death investigation; North Dakota State University regarding the university's veterinary technician program, services veterinary technicians are allowed to perform, existing regulations, standards and certifications, including state and national requirements, and the processes to amend requirements, and whether veterinary technicians could play a larger role in meeting the veterinary needs of the state; and other presentations, including presentations by representatives of midlevel dental service provider training programs and dental service providers regarding program development, education, licensure, and certification of advanced dental therapists, the role of dental therapists and their integration within community dental clinics, and the employment of dental therapists in rural private practices to increase access to care; and a tour of the Family HealthCare Center in Fargo
- **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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