

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

**COMMERCE AND LABOR COMMITTEE**

Monday and Tuesday, February 28-29, 2000

Lewis and Clark Hall, Travelodge Hotel

Dickinson, North Dakota

**Monday, February 28, 2000**

9:00 a.m. (MST) Call to order  
Roll call  
Consideration of minutes of November 22-23, 1999, meeting  
Comments by Chairman Glassheim

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STUDY**

**Economic Development Organizations**

9:05 a.m. Comments by a representative of the Roosevelt-Custer Regional Council regarding the council's funding sources and services offered

9:30 a.m. Comments by Mr. Gaylon Baker, Director, Stark Development Corporation, regarding the corporation's funding sources and services offered

9:55 a.m. Comments by Mr. Kevin J. Cramer, Director, and Mr. Randy Schwartz, Deputy Director, Department of Economic Development and Finance, regarding the department's budget and the relationship between the budget and the department's strategic plan

10:20 a.m. Coffee break

**Entrepreneurs**

10:35 a.m. Comments by Mr. Guy Moos, President, Baker Boy Supply, Inc., regarding the company's economic development experiences

10:55 a.m. Comments by Mr. Jeff Swank, Member, Southwest Area Technology User Group, regarding the activities of the group

11:15 a.m. Comments by Mr. Dean Rummel, President, TMI Systems Design Corporation, regarding the corporation's economic development experiences

11:35 a.m. Luncheon recess

**Population Retention and Growth**

12:30 p.m. Comments by Ms. Cathy Langemo, Project Coordinator, Project Back Home, and Mr. Gene Veeder, President, Project Back Home Board, regarding population growth services offered through the project

1:00 p.m. Comments by Ms. Sarah Morrau, Customer Service Manager, CareerLinkNorth, regarding the program's efforts to grow the population

1:30 p.m. Comments by Senator Tony Grindberg, Chairman, Higher Education Committee - Economic Development Connection Task Force, regarding the status of the task force

1:45 p.m. Coffee break

### **Venture Capital**

- 2:00 p.m. Comments by Mr. John Cosgriff, Manager, InvestAmerica, regarding the North Dakota Small Business Investment Company
- 2:25 p.m. Comments by Mr. Dean Reese, Chief Executive Officer, Development/Rural Fund, and Mr. Steve Egeland, Coordinator, Business and Workforce Development Division, Department of Economic Development and Finance, regarding venture capital investment opportunities within the state
- 3:05 p.m. Coffee break

### **Structure of State Economic Development Services**

- 3:20 p.m. Comments by representatives of the Department of Economic Development and Finance regarding the National Association of State Development Agencies biennial report of survey responses and the committee member responses to the survey questions relating to consolidation of economic development services
- 5:00 p.m. Recess

### **Tuesday, February 29, 2000**

### **Privatization of State Economic Development Services**

- 8:00 a.m. (MST) Comments via speaker phone by Mr. Miles Friedman, Executive Officer; Ms. Nancy McCrea, Project Manager; and Mr. Ken Poole, Director, Domestic Business Development, National Association of State Development Agencies, regarding privatization of economic development services
- 8:40 a.m. Comments by representatives of the Department of Economic Development and Finance regarding committee member responses to the survey questions relating to privatization of economic development services
- 9:15 a.m. Committee to focus on key elements of economic development study and future directives relating to future meetings
- 10:00 a.m. Adjourn

### **Committee Members**

Representatives Eliot Glassheim (Chairman), Rick Berg, Curtis E. Brekke, Byron Clark, Glen Froseth, William E. Gorder, Howard Grumbo, Nancy Johnson, George J. Keiser, Lawrence R. Klemin, Amy N. Kliniske, Dale C. Severson, Dorvan Solberg, Elwood Thorpe  
 Senators Tony Grindberg, Karen K. Krebsbach, Deb Mathern, Duane Mutch, Harvey Sand, Harvey D. Tallackson, Vern Thompson