

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday and Wednesday, May 11-12, 2004

State Capitol

Bismarck, North Dakota

**STATE'S PRIMARY SECTOR BUSINESS CLIMATE STUDY
LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPERS - FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION**

Tuesday, May 11, 2004, 8:00 to 9:45 a.m., Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol. (Committee members and local economic developers are asked to sit at the tables. Members of the public are asked to sit on chairs lining the perimeter and back of the room.)

- 8:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Welcome and comments by the committee chairman
- 8:05 a.m. Facilitation of local economic developers focus group discussion by Mr. Miles Friedman, National Association of State Development Agencies
- 9:45 a.m. Recess

PRIMARY SECTOR BUSINESS CONGRESS

Tuesday, May 11, 2004, 10:00 to 11:45 a.m., House Chamber, State Capitol. (Committee members and participants who receive invitations are asked to sit at the House chamber desks. Members of the public are asked to sit in the balcony.)

- 10:00 a.m. Welcome and opening remarks by committee chairman
- 10:10 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Friedman of results of state business climate focus group discussions
- 11:10 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Friedman of states' economic development best practices
- 11:45 a.m. Recess

Tuesday, May 11, 2004, 12:00 noon to 2:45 p.m., Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol. (Committee members and participants who receive invitations are asked to sit at the center of the room. Members of the public are asked to sit on chairs lining the perimeter and back of the room.)

- 12:00 noon Brown bag lunch - Presentation by Ms. Linda Butts, Department of Commerce, "Changing Attitudes, Celebrating Success," regarding the North Dakota Ambassadors Program. Individuals attending this portion of the meeting may bring a lunch to eat during this presentation.
- 1:00 p.m. Recess
- 1:15 p.m. Organization of small group sessions - Room assignments to be announced - Committee members and invited participants will be assigned to small groups to:
- Prioritize economic development issues
 - Establish one primary action to be taken to address each of the highest prioritized economic development issues
 - Establish performance measures to track progress in addressing highest prioritized economic development issues

A representative of each small group will make an oral report to the Primary Sector Business Congress at 3:00 p.m. regarding the activities of the small group.

2:45 p.m. Recess

Tuesday, May 11, 2004, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., House Chamber, State Capitol. (Committee members and participants who receive invitations are asked to sit at the House chamber desks. Members of the public are asked to sit in the balcony.)

3:00 p.m. Reports by representatives of small groups on the activities of the small groups and open discussion by committee members and participants

4:45 p.m. Primary Sector Business Congress closing remarks by committee chairman and Mr. Friedman

5:00 p.m. Recess

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND DIRECTIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2004, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Roughrider Room, State Capitol

8:30 a.m. Comments by committee chairman
 Comments by Mr. Friedman
 Comments by interested persons
 Committee discussion and directives

12:00 noon Adjourn

Committee Members

Representatives Rick Berg, Tracy Boe, Donald L. Clark, Mark A. Dosch, Mary Ekstrom, Glen Froseth, Nancy Johnson, Jim Kasper, George Keiser, Eugene Nicholas, Kenton Onstad, Ken Svedjan, Don Vigesaa
 Senators Dick Dever, Duaine C. Espeguard, Tony S. Grindberg, John O. Syverson, Ryan M. Taylor