## NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

**Tentative Agenda** 

## **BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, October 21, 2008 Roughrider Room, State Capitol Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order Roll call Consideration of the minutes of the previous meeting
- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regarding the status of the general fund, including oil and gas tax distributions to local governments
- 9:25 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the Tax Department regarding status of individual and corporate income tax collections to date for the 2007-09 biennium and on the status of property tax income tax credits claimed on 2007 tax returns
- 9:45 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft relating to Emergency Commission responsibilities to approve additional full-time equivalent (FTE) positions for agencies during the interim
- 9:50 a.m. Comments by representatives of OMB regarding the bill draft
- 9:55 a.m. Comments by other interested persons regarding the bill draft
- 10:00 a.m. Committee discussion and consideration of the bill draft
- 10:10 a.m. Presentation by representatives of OMB on information relating to the 2009-11 biennium budget, including:
  - The number of agency budget requests submitted to date
  - Cost to continue items
  - Major initiatives that may be considered as part of the executive budget
  - Potential state government efficiencies being identified as part of the budget development process
  - Potential options for use of funding in the permanent oil tax trust fund
- 10:40 a.m. Presentation by representatives of OMB and the Industrial Commission regarding outstanding bonded indebtedness and outstanding special assessment balances of state agencies on July 1, 2007, and July 1, 2009, and options available to prepay these bonds or special assessments during the 2009-11 biennium
- 11:15 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum on agency budget requests for the 2009-11 biennium, including major general fund ongoing and one-time requests and requests for additional FTE positions
- 11:45 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a memorandum on preliminary estimates of funds available in major special funds for the 2009-11 biennium
- 12:00 noon Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of the updated preliminary budget outlook for the 2009-11 biennium
- 12:25 p.m. Comments by other interested persons
- 12:30 p.m. Luncheon recess (Members may attend the State Crime Laboratory "ribbon-cutting" event at 1:30 p.m.)

- 2:30 p.m. Committee discussion regarding 2009-11 biennium spending level recommendations
- 3:30 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives, including a motion to prepare the committee's final report and any recommended bill drafts for presentation to the Legislative Council
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn

## **Committee Members**

Representatives Al Carlson (Chairman), Ole Aarsvold, Rick Berg, Merle Boucher, Jeff Delzer, Bob Martinson, Bob Skarphol, Ken Svedjan, Clark Williams

Senators Randel Christmann, Tony Grindberg, Ray Holmberg, Elroy N. Lindaas, David O'Connell, Larry J. Robinson, Bob Stenehjem