NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

INDUSTRY, BUSINESS, AND LABOR COMMITTEE

Wednesday and Thursday, February 6-7, 2008 Pioneer Room, State Capitol Bismarck, North Dakota

Wednesday, February 6, 2008

10:00 a.m. Call to order

Roll call

10:05 a.m. Participation by the committee in the Department of Commerce Renaissance Zone

Conference

5:00 p.m. Recess

Thursday, February 7, 2008

8:30 a.m. Comments by Chairman Rick Berg

8:35 a.m. Comments by interested persons regarding Workforce Safety and Insurance

• Comments by employees

Comments by employers

· Comments by service providers

10:00 a.m. Presentation by representatives of Workforce Safety and Insurance regarding:

History of Workforce Safety and Insurance

Performance measurements

Claims review process

10:45 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. Presentation by representatives of Workforce Safety and Insurance regarding Workforce Safety and Insurance benefits:

- Benefit levels and availability of benefits
- Historical analysis of benefit awards
- Historical analysis of acceptance of claims
- Comparison of benefit levels and payment of benefits with other states

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

1:00 p.m. Presentation by representatives of Workforce Safety and Insurance regarding Workforce Safety and Insurance premiums:

- Analysis of premium-setting processes
- Historical analysis of premiums
- Comparisons with other states

2:00 p.m. Comments by:

- Ms. Jennifer S. N. Clark, Legislative Council staff, regarding the Legislative Council's interim Workers' Compensation Review Committee
- Representatives of other state agencies

3:00 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives

4:00 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Representatives Rick Berg (Chairman), Bill Amerman, Tracy Boe, Donald L. Clark, Mark A. Dosch, Glen Froseth, Jim Kasper, Darrell D. Nottestad, Gary Sukut, Elwood Thorpe, Don Vigesaa, Steve Zaiser

Senators Arthur H. Behm, Nicholas P. Hacker, Robert M. Horne, Jerry Klein, Terry M. Wanzek