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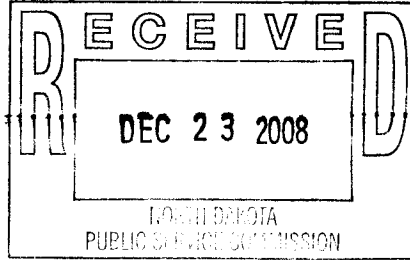
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December 19, 2008



Honorable Kevin Cramer  
Commissioner  
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State Capitol  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Dear Mr. Cramer:

Enclosed is the House Appropriations Committee's Government Operations Division, Representative Jeff Delzer, Chairman, January 6-16, 2009, hearing schedule. Please note the bills or presentations relating to your department or institution that are scheduled during this time.

On behalf of the chairman, we ask that a representative of your department or institution testify during the times scheduled. The chairman asks that presentations to the committee be in written form to allow for future reference. Please allow time for committee member questions.

The chairman is planning that the hearings scheduled for the week of January 12 be overviews of the agency's operations and budgets. Additional hearings will be scheduled later for most agencies to review the budget in more detail, including a review of 2007-09 actual expenditures to date compared to 2007-09 appropriations and the 2009-11 executive recommendation.

As part of the overview presentation, please include:

- A brief historical perspective of the agency and its mission and purpose;
- Budget-specific information relating to the agency's 2005-07 actual expenditures, 2007-09 appropriations for ongoing and one-time funding and current estimates of 2007-09 expenditures and anticipated unspent general fund appropriation authority (turnback), and 2009-11 budget needs;
- Major budget variances of 2007-09 current estimates of income and expenditures and 2009-11 recommended appropriations and estimated income compared to the 2007-09 biennium appropriations and estimated income;
- Major agency initiatives and program changes for the 2009-11 biennium; and
- The agency's long-term plan for improving the efficiency and effectiveness of achieving its mission and purpose.

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The checkmarks on the enclosed schedule indicate the hearings or presentations relating to your department or institution. The hearings will be held in the committee room identified on the hearing schedule. This is the schedule for the Government Operations Division for the first two weeks; however, it is subject to change when the legislative session begins.

Please contact me if you have any questions relating to the enclosed schedule.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Allen H. Knudson", with a long, sweeping underline.

Allen H. Knudson  
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HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE HEARINGS

January 6-16, 2009

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS DIVISION

Medora Room

Representative Jeff Delzer, Chairman

Time	Bill No.	Budget No.	Department
<b>Tuesday, January 6</b>			
8:30 - 11:30 a.m.			Full committee
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.			Full committee
<b>Wednesday, January 7</b>			
8:30 - 11:45 a.m.			Full committee
3:00 - 4:30 p.m.			Full committee
<b>Thursday, January 8</b>			
8:30 - 11:30 a.m.			Full committee
3:00 - 4:30 p.m.			Full committee
<b>Friday, January 9</b>			
8:30 - 11:30 a.m.			Full committee
<b>Monday, January 12</b>			
9:00 - 9:30 a.m.			Division organization
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.	1007	406	Labor Department
10:30 - 11:30 a.m.	1011	414	Securities Department
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	1004	117	State Auditor
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.			Committee work
<b>Tuesday, January 13</b>			
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.	1010	401	Insurance Commissioner
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	1002	108	Secretary of State
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon	1001	101	Governor
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	1006	127	Tax Commissioner
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.			Committee work
<b>Wednesday, January 14</b>			
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.	1022	192	Public Employees Retirement System
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	1022	190	Retirement and Investment Office
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon	1005	120	State Treasurer
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	1015	110	Office of Management and Budget
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.			Committee work
<b>Thursday, January 15</b>			
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.	1008	408	Public Service Commission
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon	1003	125	Attorney General
2:30 - 4:30 p.m.			Committee work
<b>Friday, January 16</b>			
8:30 - 10:30 a.m.	1016	540	Adjutant General, including National Guard and Department of Emergency Services
10:30 - 11:30 a.m.			Committee work