

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

ELECTRIC INDUSTRY COMPETITION COMMITTEE

Monday, April 24, 2000
Roughrider Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

10:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of minutes of the March 3, 2000, meeting

ELECTRIC UTILITY INDUSTRY TAXATION

10:05 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a schedule of the number of miles of each type of transmission line by kilovolts, including the different proposed transmission line mile tax rates, and information on why small power plants, such as the Heskett plant, are subject to property taxes rather than the coal conversion tax

10:15 a.m. Presentation by Ms. Marcy Dickerson, Utility Tax Appraiser, State Tax Department, of electric utility industry taxation information for 1995 through 1999

10:30 a.m. Presentation by a representative of the Superintendent of Public Instruction concerning property-poor school districts in the state

10:45 a.m. Presentation by representatives of the state's investor-owned utilities concerning power plants owned or operated by the state's investor-owned utilities by capacity; the impact the Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives electric utility industry taxation Proposals A and B would have on the state's investor-owned utilities; and the impact the proposed line mile tax revision developed by the committee at its last meeting would have on the state's investor-owned utilities

11:30 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Harlan Fuglesten, Communications and Government Relations Director, Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives, Mandan, concerning power plants owned by Basin Electric Power Cooperative, the state's generation and transmission cooperatives, and the state's rural electric cooperatives by capacity; the impact of the state's investor-owned utility tax proposal on rural electric cooperative operations in the state; and the impact of the proposed line mile tax revision developed by the committee

12:00 noon Luncheon recess

1:00 p.m. Comments by Mr. Will Kaul, Vice President for Transmission, Great River Energy, Elk River, Minnesota, concerning the impact of the transmission line mile tax proposals under consideration by the committee

1:15 p.m. Presentation by Mr. John W. Dwyer, President, Lignite Energy Council, concerning the impact of the transmission line mile tax proposals under consideration by the committee on the state's lignite industry

1:45 p.m. Comments by other interested persons

TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY ACT STUDY

- 2:15 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Jerry Lein, Public Utility Analyst, Public Service Commission, concerning the number of Territorial Integrity Act cases, the determination of those cases, the result of any appeals, and information on the guidelines used by the commission in determining Territorial Integrity Act disputes
- 2:30 p.m. Comments by other interested persons
- 2:45 p.m. Committee discussion and staff directives
- 3:00 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Representatives Al Carlson (Chairman), Robert Huether, Matthew M. Klein
Senators Randel Christmann, Pete Naaden, Larry J. Robinson