



TRIBAL AND STATE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Walking Eagle Ballroom, Spirit Lake Casino and Resort, 7889 Highway 57
St. Michael, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the [minutes of the January 9, 2023, meeting](#)
- 9:05 a.m. Committee introductory remarks
- 9:20 a.m. Presentation by Supervisory Special Agent Steve Gilpin, Bureau of Criminal Investigation, regarding an overview of the Bureau of Criminal Investigation
- 9:50 a.m. Presentation by Dr. Thomas Stratman, Senior Research Fellow, Professor of Economics and Law, George Mason University, regarding the business climate and incentivizing business development on North Dakota Indian reservations
- 10:30 a.m. Presentation by Ms. Hollie Mackey, Chief Strategy Officer, North Dakota Advanced Agriculture Technology Engine, regarding agricultural technology
- 11:00 a.m. Recess
- 12:00 noon Presentation by Representative Lisa Finley-DeVilleville, Mandaree, and Representative Jayme Davis, Rolette, regarding racism at high school sporting events
- 12:30 p.m. Presentation by Ms. Heather Traynor, Court Improvement Program Coordinator, Supreme Court, regarding Indian Child Welfare Act courts and a review of their impact on Indian families
- 1:00 p.m. Discussion by representatives of the Spirit Lake Tribe regarding tribal-state issues, including government-to-government relations, human services, education, corrections, and issues related to the promotion of economic development
- 2:30 p.m. Public comments
- 3:00 p.m. Adjourn

A livestream of the meeting will be available to the public at: <https://video.ndlegis.gov>.

Committee Members

Representatives: Zachary Ista (Chairman), Lisa Finley-DeVilleville, Jim Grueneich, Dennis Johnson
Senators: Tim Mathern, Dale Patten, Shawn Vedaa

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