



State of Minnesota

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Indian Affairs Council



*You are invited to
The First Annual MIAC Legislative Forum:
Indian Issues 101*

February, 20, 21, and 22, 2007

*Sponsored by:
The Minnesota Indian Affairs Council*

Hosted by:

*MIAC Chair, Chairman Kevin Leecy, Bois Forte Band of Chippewa
and all Eleven Tribal Chairs*

*House Speaker Margaret Anderson Kelliher
Senate Majority Leader Larry Pogemiller*



Agenda

February 20

8:00-9:30 AM **Tribal State and Federal Law** Room 400N State Office Bldg

- a. Overview of the Tribes
- b. Legal History
- c. District, Size, Demographics
- d. Budget Line items/Federal "Pass throughs"
- e. Criminal Jurisdictions
- f. Civil Jurisdictions

10:00-11:30 AM **Tribal Sovereignty** Room 400N State Office Bldg

- a. Internal and External (John Poupart-Moderator, Tribal Chairs)
- b. Legal Practical, everyday issues dealing with sovereignty

1:00-2:30 PM **Tribal State and Federal Law** (Session Repeated) Room 123 in Capital

3:00-4:30 PM **Tribal Sovereignty** (Session Repeated) Room 123 in Capital

February 21

8:00-9:30 AM **Tribal Identity** (Panel of Tribal Chairs and Elders) Room 400N State office Bldg

- a. What it means and feels like to be member of an Indian Tribe
- b. Urban Indian and Reservation Indian

10:00-11:30 AM **Cross Cultural Communication** (Panel of Legislators) Room 400N State Office Bldg

- a. How to approach a Tribe
- b. Speaking with the Tribal Council
- c. Protocols for Indian Country

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7:00 PM **Native American Heritage Night with MN Timberwolves**

February 22

12:00-4:00 PM **Commissioner Seagren's American Indian Education Workgroup** Room 318 in Capital

2:00-5:00 PM **Signing of Tribal State Agreement** Capital Rotunda

The best interests of Indian children are inherently tied to the concept of belonging. Belonging can only be realized for Indian children by recognition of the values and ways of life of the child's Tribe and support of the strengths inherent in the social and cultural standards of tribal family systems. Family preservation shall be the intended purpose and outcome of these efforts.

