

## **Internet Connections in the Capitol Building Meeting Rooms**

Currently many of the meeting rooms in the Capitol are wired into the state network. This poses network security issues which ITD feels it needs to address. These meeting rooms are scheduled by the Facility Management Division of OMB and are often left unlocked. Because of this unmonitored access, ITD has changed the current connectivity in these meeting rooms so the wired network ports are connected externally to the state network.

This means that **if you use the wired network ports in these meeting rooms to access the internal state network you must use a VPN client** to be able to connect to internal state hosts.

Connections that just access external hosts will not require the VPN client. If you need a VPN client you can request this via the ITD Work Management System (WMS). Cost information for the VPN client can be found [http://www.nd.gov/itd/billing/ratespro\\_datapro.html](http://www.nd.gov/itd/billing/ratespro_datapro.html)

This change will make the meeting rooms' wired network connectivity similar to the wireless connectivity ITD offers in the Capitol building and the Judicial Wing.

The current wireless connectivity provided in the Capitol building and the Judicial Wing is not being changed.

If you have any questions on the Capitol Meeting Room Network changes, please contact the ITD Service Desk at 701-328-4470 / 800-837-9807 or via email to [itdservicedesk@state.nd.us](mailto:itdservicedesk@state.nd.us).