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AGENDA (Revised 4/25)

April 28, 2014

8:30 a.m.

State Capitol, Room 172

Please note: All times are tentative. Some items may take more or less time than scheduled.

- 8:30 a.m. Call to Order -- Roll Call -- Representative Margie MacDonald, Presiding Officer
- 8:35 a.m. Committee Issue: Overview of Recent Sentencing and Corrections Changes in South Dakota
- Jim Seward, General Counsel for SD Governor Dennis Daugaard (via telephone)
 - Jake Horowitz, State Policy Director, Public Safety Performance Project, The Pew Charitable Trusts (via telephone)
 - Director Mike Batista, Montana Department of Corrections
 - Questions from the committee
- 10:00 a.m. SJ 3: Overview of South Dakota Parole Process
- Ed Ligtenberg, Director, South Dakota Board of Pardons and Paroles
 - Questions from the committee
- 10:30 a.m. BREAK
- 10:45 a.m. Committee Issue: Re-Entry Task Force Update
- Adrienne Slaughter, Governmental Relations Director, DOC
 - Questions from the committee
- 11:00 a.m. SJ 3: Parole Supervision Fees and Program Costs
- Staff overview -- Rachel Weiss, Research Analyst
 - Adrienne Slaughter, DOC
 - Brendan McQuillan
 - Niki Zupanic, Public Policy Director, ACLU of Montana
 - Questions from the committee
- 11:45 a.m. Public comment on SJ 3 and morning corrections/sentencing policy topics

- 12:15 p.m Lunch
- 1:15 p.m. Committee Issue: County Attorneys' Update
- Richard Batterman, Fallon/Carter County Attorney and President of the MT County Attorneys Association
 - Jeremy Gersovitz, Deputy County Attorney, Lewis and Clark County
 - Public comment
 - Questions from the committee
- 1:45 p.m. SJ 3: Review of Preliminary Draft Legislation
- LCIj99 -- Revise MAPA provisions related to the parole board
 - LCIj98 -- Revise MAPA provisions related to the parole board (v2)
 - Staff overview -- Julianne Burkhardt
 - LCIj97 -- Require parole hearings to be recorded
 - Staff overview -- Rachel Weiss
 - LCIj96 -- Prohibit parole board from assigning conditions of parole
 - Staff overview -- Julianne Burkhardt
 - LCIj95 -- Revise parole criteria
 - Staff overview -- Rachel Weiss
 - Public comment
 - Committee discussion, direction to staff, and *optional action*
- 2:30 p.m. BREAK
- 2:45 p.m. SJ 22: Review of Preliminary Bill Drafts
- LCIj01 -- Adjust debt limit allowed for uncontested divorce
 - Staff overview -- Rachel Weiss
 - LCIj02 -- Eliminate requirement for a hearing before a judge enters final dissolution decree in certain cases
 - Staff overview -- Julianne Burkhardt
 - LCIj03 -- Clarify who must move to amend parenting plan when one parent relocates
 - Staff overview -- Julianne Burkhardt
 - LCIj04 -- Allow husband to restore original name as part of dissolution filing
 - Staff overview -- Rachel Weiss

- LCIj05 -- Require district courts to adopt local rules requiring mediation
 - LCIj06 -- Montana pilot project to offer paid mediation to certain family law litigants
 - Staff overview -- Rachel Weiss
 - Public comment
 - Committee discussion, direction to staff, and *optional action*
- 3:15 p.m. Committee Issue: Relief from Disabilities Provisions in Other States (NICS and Mental Health)
- Rachel Weiss
 - Public comment
 - Questions from the committee
 - Committee discussion, direction to staff, and *optional action*
- 3:45 p.m. Committee Issue: Update on HJ 16 Study (study of state institutions)
- Rachel Weiss
 - Public comment
 - Questions from the committee
- 3:55 p.m. Agency Oversight: Administrative Rule Review
- Julianne Burkhardt
 - Public comment
 - Questions from the committee
- 4:00 p.m. Public comment on any item within the committee's jurisdiction but not on this agenda
- 4:15 p.m. Committee Work Session
- Member issues to include in future agendas?
 - Other committee discussion and/or direction to staff?
 - Next meeting: June 26-27 (Thursday/Friday)
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn

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