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AGENDA

as of 4/3/14

Meeting #6 - Wednesday, April 9, 2014

Room 172, Capitol Bldg., Helena

Please note: all times are approximate

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- 10:00 a.m. 1. Call to order, **Sen. Dee Brown**, Presiding Officer
Roll call
- 10:05 2. HJR 1 - Study of Office of Commissioner of Political Practices
- a. **Ms. Scurr** - Legislative Research Analyst
 → Which of the 20 states responding to our survey have fines for reporting error or violations that are in statute?
- b. **Ms. Scurr** - Review of Options for HJR 1 Study Recommendations
- c. **Public comment** - HJR 1 Study - Options for Recommendations
- d. **Sen. Brown** - Committee work session
- ***Discussion, possible action Item:*** Should SAVA have a hearing about whether to recommend a special session on whether to confirm the Governor's appointment of Commissioner Motl?
- ***Discussion, possible action Items:*** What bills would the Committee like to have drafted concerning the COPP for review and discussion at the June 5 meeting as preliminary recommendations under the HJR 1 study?
- 11:30 3. Pension Oversight
- a. **Ms. Scurr** - Review of triggers for terminating certain retirement contributions
- b. **Ms. Aldrich** - Status or pension plan lawsuits
- 12:00 noon LUNCH

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- 1:00 p.m. 4. SJR 14 - Subcommittee on Elections - Recommendations
- a. **Rep. Bryce Bennett** - Subcommittee Chairman - Overview
 - b. **Ms. Scurr** - Presentation of recommendations and proposed bill draft
 - c. **Ms. Aldrich** - Legal memo on voter rights in county water and/or sewer districts
 - d. **Public comment** - SJR 14 - Election Laws
- 1:45 BREAK
- 2:00 e. **Sen. Brown** - Committee work session
- **Action Item:** Does the Committee wish to adopt, revise, or reject the subcommittee's SJR 14 recommendations?
- 2:30 5. **General public comment** - any matter under the Committee's jurisdiction
- Special invitation for comment on veteran matters and to Mr. Joe Walsh
- 2:45 6. **Ms. Aldrich** - Rule review activity
- 3:00 7. Next meeting, June 5
Additional instructions to staff
Adjournment

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