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65th Montana Legislature

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AGENDA

as of 9/4/2018

Meeting #7 - Thursday, Sept. 6, 2018

Room 172, Capitol Bldg., Helena

Please note: all times are approximate

- 9:00 a.m. 1. **Sen. Sue Malek, Presiding Officer**
- a. Call to Order
 - b. Roll Call
 - c. Welcome and agenda overview
- 9:15 2. **Veterans Affairs - Vet Choice Program and 2018 VA Mission Act**
- a. Informational briefing
 - ▶ Dr. Kathy Berger, Director, Montana VA
 - Other VA staff:
Anthony Giljum, Montana VA Associate Director
Patrick Hutchison, Montana VA Public Affairs Officer
Christina Lundstrom, Montana VA Congressional Liaison
Tova Reddick, Montana VA Chief of Health Administration Services
 - b. Veterans' affairs staff liaisons for Montana's U.S. Congressional Delegation
 - ▶ Bruce Knutson for U.S. Sen. John Tester
 - ▶ Denny Lenoir for U.S. Sen. Steve Daines
 - ▶ Mike Waters for U.S. Rep. Gianforte
 - c. Provider comments
 - ▶ Jean Branscum, CEO, Montana Medical Association
 - d. Veteran comments
 - ▶ Veteran Service Organizations
 - ▶ Other veterans
 - e. *Public comment
 - f. Committee discussion and any **potential action**
- 10:30 3. **Public Access to Voter Information - laws in other states**
- a. Sheri Scurr - overview of additional research
 - b. *Public comment
 - c. Committee discussion and any **potential action**
- 10:45 4. **Update on Election Security Activities and 2018 HAVA Grant**
- a. Dana Corson, Election Director, Secretary of State's Office
 - b. *Public comment
 - c. Committee discussion and any **potential action**

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- 11:00 5. **Agency Bill Draft Proposals**
- a. Department of Military Affairs
 - ▶ Summary of bill proposals - Brigadier General Donald Emerson, Assistant Adjutant General
 - ▶ *Public comment
 - ▶ Committee discussion, **potential action** to authorize bill draft requests
 - b. Public Employees' Retirement Board
 - ▶ Dore Schwinden, Exec. Dir., MPERA, Summary of bill proposals
 - ▶ *Public comment
 - ▶ Committee discussion, **potential action** to authorize bill draft requests
 - c. Teachers' Retirement Board
 - ▶ Shawn Graham, Exec. Dir., TRS, Summary of bill proposals
 - ▶ *Public comment
 - ▶ Committee discussion, **potential action** to authorize bill draft requests
- 11:30 6. **Preliminary Committee Bill LCsa04 - Initial Review**
LCsa04 - providing an exception to the administrative procedures act for certain state lottery policies
- a. Ginger Aldrich, staff attorney, overview of draft
 - b. *Public comment
 - c. Committee discussion and **potential action**
- 11:45 7. **Rule Review**
- a. Ginger Aldrich, staff attorney
 - b. *Public comment
 - c. Committee discussion, **potential action**
- 12 noon LUNCH
- 1:00 8. **Preliminary Committee Bill LCsa5A - Initial Review**
LCsa5A - interim study on updating statutes concerning accessibility for disabled electors
- a. Sheri Scurr, staff researcher, overview of draft
 - b. Stakeholder comments
 - ▶ Beth Brenneman, Disability Rights Montana
 - ▶ Dana Corson, Elections Director, Secretary of State's Office
 - ▶ Regina Plettenberg, County Election Administrators Association
 - c. *Public comment
 - d. Committee discussion and **potential action**
- 1:45 9. ***Public Comment - any topic under the committee's jurisdiction**

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- 2:00 10. **Agency Oversight - Statutorily Required Reports**
Note: Prior to the meeting, the reports listed will be provided to committee members and posted on the committee website. This agenda item is for public information purposes. The reports will not be presented or discussed unless committee members have questions.
- **Also, if a report is not available by the time of the meeting, it will be provided to the committee and posted on the SAVA website as soon as it becomes available.*
- a. Montana Board of Veterans' Affairs
 - ▶ Biennial Report (section 10-2-102, MCA).
 - b. Board of Investments
 - ▶ Retirement System Trust Fund Investments Annual Report (sections 5-11-210 and 17-6-230, MCA)
 - c. Department of Administration
 - ▶ Employee Incentive Program Report (section 2-18-1103, MCA)
 - ▶ Report on information technology activities (section 2-17-513(9), MCA)
 - ▶ Capitol Complex Advisory Council report (section 2-17-804, MCA)
 - d. Committee bill
 - ▶ Discussion about a committee bill on state information technology report - SB 19 (2017)
 - ▶ *Public comment
 - ▶ Committee discussion and ***potential action***
- 2:15 11. **Wrap Up and Planning for Next Meeting**
- a. November meeting date
 - b. Agenda items
 - ▶ Actuarial Reports on pension systems
 - MPERA retirement systems
 - TRS
 - ▶ Legislator's Guide - review, questions, approval
 - ▶ Green Sheets (Retirement System Summary Tables) - review, questions
 - ▶ Where We've Been: Historical Perspective on Retirement System Benefits and Funding - review, questions
 - ▶ Adopt Retirement System Policy Principles (section 5-5-226, MCA)
 - ▶ Committee final reports on elections and summary of interim activities - review and approval of drafts

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