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DRAFT AGENDA--REVENUE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE Thursday and Friday, September 17 and 18, 2009 Room 137, State Capitol

Agenda times are approximate. Some items may take more or less time than is indicated. Public comment follows each agenda item.

Thursday, September 17, 1 p.m.

- 1:00 1. Call to order -- roll call -- approve July 1, 2009, committee meeting minutes--**Sen. Kim** Gillan, Committee Chair
- 1:04 2. Subcommittee approval of August 17, 2009, minutes of HB 658 subcommittee/working group--Sen. Christine Kaufmann
- 1:053.Fiscal Year 2009 general fund revenue collection report--Terry Johnson, Principal
Legislative Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Fiscal Division
- 2:00 4. Western corridor to transport oil sands development equipment from Lewiston, Idaho, through Montana to Kearl oil sands fields in Alberta--Chris Allard, Operator, Imperial Oil and ExxonMobil Canada
- 2:30 5. Rural-urban gap in Montana--Bill Bryan, Executive Director, Rural Landscape Institute, and Sen. Jim Peterson
- 3:45 6. Property tax assistance study proposal--**Property Tax Assistance Subcommittee and Jeff Martin, Committee staff**
- 4:30 7. Update on federal stimulus spending--**Barb Smith, Legislative Fiscal Division**
- 5:00 8. Public comment on any other topic within the committee's jurisdiction
 - 9. Recess

Friday, September 18, 8 a.m.

- 8:00 1. Montana Department of Transportation reports--**Jim Lynch, Director, Montana Department of Transportation**
 - a. update on proposed projects to transport oil sands development equipment through Montana to Alberta

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- b. federal stimulus spending on transportation projects in Montana
- c. other
- 9:45 2. SJR 37 study on state income tax filing by married taxpayers
 - a. Background report on individual income taxes--Jeff Martin, Committee staff
 - b. Demonstration of tax return preparation--George Olsen, Accountant, Montana Society of CPAs
 - c. DOR analysis of revising tax rates for married filing jointly--Dan Dodds, Tax Policy and Research, Department of Revenue
- 11:30 3. Recodification of individual income tax laws under House Bill No. 24--Lee Heiman, Committee staff attorney

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- 1:00 4. Past legislative proposals to tie Montana income tax liability to a percentage of federal tax liability--Lee Heiman
- 1:30 5. Administrative rule review--Lee Heiman

1:45 6. SJR 16 study of uninsured and underinsured motorists

- a. review of Montana's motor vehicle liability insurance laws--Jeff Martin
- b. summary of provisions SB 508 related to online motor vehicle liability insurance verification system--Brenda Nordlund, Administrator, Motor Vehicle Division, Department of Justice
- 2:30 7. 911 fees on prepaid wireless services
 - a. 911 background--Becky Berger, 911 Program Manager, Department of Administration
 - b. negotiated rulemaking process--Department of Revenue
- 3:10 8. Department of Revenue reports--**Dan Bucks, Director, Department of Revenue** a. property reappraisal update
 - b. ORION data access to local governments
 - c. Department of Revenue working group on local government issues
 - d. Office of Taxpayer Assistance and other taxpayer services
 - e. other
- 4:10 9. Public comment on any other topic within the committee's jurisdiction
- 4:20 10. Other business -- member topics -- schedule next meeting -- instructions to staff
 - 11. Adjourn

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