

Revenue and Transportation Interim Committee

62nd Montana Legislature

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TENTATIVE AGENDA Thursday and Friday, July 19-20, 2012 Room 102, State Capitol

Thursday, July 19

Agenda times are approximate and may take more or less time than indicated. Public comment is taken after each agenda item.

- 8:30 1. Call to order -- roll call -- approval of minutes from April 26 meeting -- **Rep. Roy** Hollandsworth, Committee Chair
- 8:35 2. Department of Transportation reports -- **Tim Reardon, Director**
 - a. Report on refund of taxes paid on biodiesel (required by 15-70-369)
 - b. Report required by 61-10-154
 - c. Salish & Kootenai Tribes-Montana Gasoline Tax Agreement (update required by 15-70-234)
 - d. Update on federal highway bill
- 9:00 3. Agency bill draft requests -- Department of Transportation
 Action item: Does the committee authorize the drafting of the MDT proposals?
- 9:10 4. Discussion of review of individual income tax relief multiple (required by 15-30-2336) --Megan Moore, committee staff
- 9:20 5. HB 142 review of required reports and advisory councils -- Megan Moore
 - a. Multistate Tax Compact Advisory Council
 - b. Department of Revenue Biennial report
 - c. <u>Action item</u>: Does the committee wish to retain or eliminate these advisory councils/reports?

9:30 6. Update on Legislative Council and Legislative Finance Committee action on options for revising rules related to revenue estimating process -- Susan Fox, Executive Director, Legislative Services Division

- 10:00 7. Discussion of revenue estimating process -- Megan Moore
 - a. <u>Action item:</u> Committee request for revenue estimate bill draft
 - b. <u>Action item:</u> Date of revenue estimating meeting

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MONTANA LEGISLATIVE SERVICES DIVISION STAFF: SUSAN BYORTH FOX, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR • DAVID D. BOHYER, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND POLICY ANALYSIS • TODD EVERTS, DIRECTOR, LEGAL SERVICES OFFICE • HENRY TRENK, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY • JOE KOLMAN, DIRECTOR, LEGISLATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY OFFICE 10:30 8. Report on biodiesel blending and storage credit (required by 15-32-703, MCA) -- Eric Dale, Economist, Department of Revenue

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- 11:00 9. Department of Revenue reports -- **Dan Bucks, Director**
 - a. Litigation update: AllTel case
 - b. Research topics update
 - c. Emerging issues

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- 1:00 10. Administrative rule review -- Jaret Coles, Legislative Staff Attorney
- 1:20 11. Agency bill draft proposals -- **Department of Revenue**
 - Action item: Does the committee authorize the drafting of the DOR proposals?

2:00 12. Committee consideration of requesting bill drafts to: (Megan Moore)

- a. correct distribution to Missoula TIF (15-1-121)
- b. change "corporation income tax" to "corporation license tax" (15-6-138)
- c. remove obsolete references to local government severance tax
- d. repeal Title 15, chapter 24, part 24
- e. <u>Action item:</u> Does the committee wish to draft these as committee bills?

BREAK

- 2:30 13. Countries considered tax havens in 15-31-322, MCA
 - a. Update of countries that may be considered tax havens (required by 15-31-322, MCA) -- Dan Bucks, Director, Department of Revenue
 - b. "Apportioning Income of Multinational Enterprises Among the States Where the Income is Earned/Derived" -- Michael J. McIntyre, Professor of Law, Wayne State University
 - c. Luxembourg's inclusion in list of tax havens -- Jean-Paul Senninger, Ambassador to the United States from Luxembourg
- 4:00 14. Public comment on any topic within the committee's purview

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Friday, July 20

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- 8:00 1. Call to order -- roll call -- **Rep. Roy Hollandsworth, Committee Chair**
- 8:05 2. SJR 23 study of nonprofit income and property tax exemptions outline of final report --Megan Moore
 - a. public comment
 - b. findings
 - c. recommendations

8:25 3. HJR 13 income tax study

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- a. Taxpayer compliance costs -- Krystal Stewart, Anderson ZurMuehlen
- b. Enforcement and auditing costs -- **Department of Revenue**
- c. outline of final report -- Megan Moore
 - i. public comment
 - ii. findings
 - iii. recommendations

9:15 4. SJR 17 study of valuing centrally assessed property

- Large industrial property taxation overview -- Megan Moore
- i. Trends in valuation and property taxes paid -- **Department of Revenue**
- ii. Industry perspective -- Dave Galt, Executive Director, Montana Petroleum Association
- b. "A Comparative Study of Montana's Centrally Assessed Property Taxation Statutes and Methodology" -- Kristen Juras, Professor, University of Montana Law School
- c. "A National Perspective on Montana's Unit Valuation Methods -- Brent Eyre, Certified Appraiser, American Society of Appraisers
- d. Alternative approaches to the current appeals process -- Megan Moore
- e. public comment
- f. committee discussion of next steps
- 12:00 5. Public comment on any topic within the committee's purview

Other business, member topics, agenda items for September meeting

Adjourn

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