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Economic Affairs Interim Committee Agenda
May 12-13, 2014 Room 317

All times are tentative. An issue may be discussed earlier or later than listed.
Questions from the Committee are included in the timeframes provided.

May 12, 2014, Agenda

- 10:30 a.m. 1. Welcome -- Call to Order - Roll Call -- Introduction -- Sen. Tutvedt
- 10:35 a.m. 2. Updates on Department of Labor & Industry Licensing Board Concerns (carried over from March 2014 meeting)
- a) Review of Contingency Funds and "Fees Commensurate with Costs"
 - Overview by Pat Murdo, Committee Staff
 - Comments by Adam de Yong, Business Standards Division administrator*Public Comment*
 - b) Board of Hearing Aid Dispensers re: Memorandum of Understanding
 - Adam de Yong, Business Standards Division administrator*Public Comment*
 - c) Review of Which, if any, Remaining Boards to be Studied under HB 525 and Which Boards might be Combined -- Letter to Department
- Committee Discussion and Recommendations on agenda items 2a through 2c.
- 11:45 a.m. 3. Public Comment on any item not scheduled for action on the agenda that is under the Committee's purview
- Break for Lunch*
- 1:15 p.m. 4. Agency Monitoring - Division of Banking and Financial Institutions
 - Melanie Hall, Banking Commissioner*Public Comment*
- 1:45 p.m. 5. Agency Monitoring Followups -- Department of Livestock Horse Theft Concerns
 - Christian Mackay, Department of Livestock*Public Comment*
- 2:00 p.m. 6. Report on [HB 630](#) and Updates to Food Modernization Act
 - Cort Jensen, Department of Agriculture, *Melissa Tuemmler of Department of Public Health and Human Services, Gary Hamel of Department of Livestock**Public Comment*

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3:00 p.m. 7. HJR 25 Study of Worker's Compensation - MSF Restructuring
a) Review of Montana State Fund Restructuring [Matrix](#) - Pat Murdo, EAIC Staff
b) Montana State Fund [Comments](#)
c) State Auditor's Office Comments
d) Attorney General's Office Comments
e) Public Comment

4:00 p.m. 8. Agency Monitoring -- Adam Schafer, Deputy State Auditor's Office
-- Followup on Insure Montana and Montana health exchange sign-ups
Public Comment

4:20 p.m. 9. Review of termination plans for Montana Comprehensive Health Assn.
-- Tanya Ask, MCHA Board Presiding Officer
Public Comment

4:45 p.m. 10. Rule Review

11. Recess until 8 a.m. May 13

May 13, 2014, Agenda

8:00 a.m. 1. Welcome -- Call to Order - Roll Call -- Introduction -- Sen. Tutvedt

8:05 a.m. 2. Competition in Montana's Workers' Compensation Market
a) Analysis of Competition Using the Herfindahl-Hirschman Index
- State Auditor's Office

8:30 b) Panel Discussion Among Workers' Comp Plan 2 Insurers regarding
Competition
Gary Strannigan, representative of Liberty Insurance Group
Other Insurer Participants TBD
Public Comment

9:30 c) Presentation on Guaranteed Markets vs. Risk Pools in Other States
Bruce Hockman, Towers-Watson
Jim Nau, NCCI
Bruce Wood, American Insurance Association

11:15 a.m. 3. HJR 25 Study of Workers' Compensation -- Stay-at-Work, Return-to-
Work - Jason Swant, Department of Labor and Industry

11:45 a.m. 4. Pricing of Treating Physician Impact for HB 334
--Mike Taylor, NCCI

12:15 p.m. Break for Lunch

1:15 p.m. 5. Panel Discussion Among Health Care Providers Re: Treating
Physician Changes in HB 334 from 2011 Session
Dr. John Petrisko, Billings Clinic(via Skype)
Dr. Patrick Galvas, Great Falls (invited)
Dr. Phillip Steele, Helena
Public Comment - Handout from Montana Self-Insurers' Association and
briefing paper. Others are welcome to comment
Committee Discussion/Recommendations
(more on next page)

- 2:15 p.m. 6. Followup on Old Fund
 - Scot Conrady, Legislative Fiscal Division
- 2:45 p.m. 7. HJR 25 Study of Worker's Compensation - MSF Restructuring
 Committee Discussion and Determination of Bill Components, if any, and
 Determination of What Additional Information is Needed
- 3:00 p.m. 8. Review of July agenda items
- Committee Action** on whether to review any existing Advisory Councils in July
 under HB 142 directives as listed in 5-5-215(1)(d), MCA.
- 3:15 p.m. 9. Directions to staff -- Adjourn

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