

### **Time line\* for Jan. 30-31 Economic Affairs Committee meeting:**

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#### ***Jan. 30 - started at about 8:30 a.m.***

00.00:05	Called meeting to order. Roll call.
00.00:45.	Minutes review
00.00:51.	Hunter, corrections p. 10-- 5:34.50 preauthorization (not pretreatment)
00:01:46	Minutes approved
00:02:05	Pat - review of agenda and materials.
00:10:14	Questions. Sen. Keane requested report from Labor Management Advisory Council on what it did not come to agreement on.
00.11:55	Ann Clayton, consultant, report on insurance pricing.
01:18:12	Questions
01:28:28	Kris Wilkinson, LFD, report on Montana Plan 1 and Plan 2 pricing differences.
01:54:30	Questions
02:06:10	Break
02:17:30	Meeting resumes
02:17:47	State Auditor Monica Lindeen - introduction of staff Mari Kindberg and Steve Matthews. Presentation on Plan 2 regulation and options for Plan 3
02:30:39	Questions
03:08:29	Kris Wilkinson -- State Fund Solvency, Reserves
03:28:08	Laurence Hubbard -- State Fund Solvency, Reserves
03:53.00	No questions. Keane asked public comment to hold until later.
03:54.00	Recess for lunch
05:01.00	Ann Clayton - review of how State Funds in other states operate
05:16:15	Questions
05:17:05	Information on handout from Keith Brownfield
05:17:46	Larry Jones, Liberty Northwest - Plan 2 and Plan 3 as competitors
05:22:49	Laurence Hubbard, Montana State Fund - Plan 2 and Plan 3 as competitors
05:32:44	Keith Brownfield, Victory Insurance Co. - Plan 2 and Plan 3 as competitors
05:43:07	Questions
06:11:00	Break
06:24:21	Public Comment. John Youngberg, Montana Farm Bureau
06:29:13	Mike Taylor, NCCI - Classifications and their role in premium setting
06:33:36	Dick Root, VP Operations Montana State Fund - classification and review committee and Montana State Fund classifications
06:45:57	Kris Wilkinson, LFD, case study of Tumbleweed's reclassification
06:57:04	Questions (none)
06:57:47	Mike Taylor, NCCI, impacts of legislative and court decisions
07:04:25	Questions (none)
07:04:59	Angus MacIver, LAD, regarding performance audit of Montana State Fund's governance practices
07:32:08	Questions
07:35:51	Laurence Hubbard, list of board members and response to Legislative Audit
07:36:26	Patti Grosfield, internal auditor for Montana State Fund
07:46:12	Questions

07:50:35 Rep. Hunter - yielded time back to committee.  
 07:50:45 Call for further public comment (none)  
 07:51:05 Staff review of Options issue for structure/oversight related to workers' comp and next meeting options.  
 07:52:36 Discussion on meeting dates for March 30-31 and rest of interim.  
 07:58:19 Recess until 8 a.m. Jan. 31

***Jan. 31 - started at about 8:00 a.m.***

00:00:03 Meeting called to order  
 00:00:16 Roll Call  
 00:00:49 Jerry Keck - Durations of claims data  
 00:05:39 Questions  
 00:08:00 Jerry Keck - Claims paid as a percent of payroll for all plans  
 00:10:07 Questions  
 00:16:47 Ann Clayton - fraud issues  
 00:25:17 Questions (none)  
 00:25:41 Bob Biskupiak - independent insurance agents' Plan 2 and Plan 3 traffic  
 00:40:53 *Questions*  
 00:55:24 Break  
 01:05:52 Meeting called back to order  
 01:06:38 Connie Welsh and Lance Zanto - implementation of HB 126 for state work comp plans  
 01:18:19 *Questions*  
 01:33:58 Jerry Keck - update on utilization and treatment guidelines  
 01:44:52 *Questions*  
 01:54:03 Call for Public Comment (none)  
 01:55:42 Bob Olsen, MHA - Discussion of medical training for injured workers  
 02:02:37 Dr. John Petrisko - Discussion of medical training for injured workers  
 02:09:33 *Questions*  
 02:16:03 Erin MacLean - Discussion of HIPAA and work comp issues  
 02:40:05 *Questions*  
 02:53:48 Break for lunch  
 04:30:45 Meeting resumed.  
 04:31:28 Distribution of State Fund charitable contribution and Board of Directors list plus information on State Fund building, Labor-Management Advisory Council schedule  
 04:45:15 Discussion of work comp structural policy options  
 04:50:46 Bob Worthington on Labor-Management Advisory Council  
 04:54:58 Sen. Keane introduction to State Fund Board discussion  
 04:56:28 Joe Dwyer, chair of the State Fund Board, other board members comments and discussion with EAC members  
 05:49:01 Response to question on building from Laurence Hubbard, CEO Montana State Fund  
 05:49:36 Joe Dwyer, commenting on advertising issues and competitive market. Continued discussion by EAC members and board  
 05:57:35 Pat Murdo - notes that State Fund Board is meeting the next day.  
 05:58:56 Break  
 06:12:23 Meeting called back to order. Public Comment  
 06:12:40 Bruce Spencer, representing Property Casualty Insurers of America, references Mari Kindberg's index analysis of competition  
 06:18:10 *Questions*  
 06:20:43 Carl Kochman, communications director for Montana State Fund, & WorkSafeMT chair  
 06:23:06 *Questions*

06:23:54	Panel discussion on Plan 1 insurers. Introductions of Bob Worthington with the MT Self-Insurers Association, Shawn Bubb with the Montana Schools Group Insurance Authority, Leah Tietz and Colleen Hebert with the Montana University System
06:25:11	Bob Worthington
06:33:38	Leah Tietz
06:41:57	Colleen Hebert, MSU-Bozeman campus, chair of self-funded committee for MUS
06:49:35	Shawn Bubb
06:55:33	Questions
07:00:14	Keane - notice about the Unemployment Insurance news release on computer system
07:02:03	Bart Campbell review of rules - brucellosis order
07:10:14	Questions (none)
07:10:52	Christian Mackay - executive officer, Dept. of Livestock, on brucellosis order
07:21:15	Questions
07:25:38	Dr. Martin Zaluski in response to question about public comment
07:27:11	Questions continued re: Farm Bureau questions, causes of brucellosis, federal rules cattle trade across borders
07:32:42	Public comment
07:33:00	Brian S. from Dillon
07:34:15	Nancy Schlepp, Montana Farm Bureau Federation, read letter from Kinki ranch and referenced questions from Farm Bureau and responses by Dept. of Livestock
07:38:30	Sen. Debby Barrett
07:48:11	Errol Rice, executive V.P., Montana Stockgrowers' Association
07:59:36	Former Rep. Bruce Malcolm
08:03:30	Directions to staff to put on next agenda and meet in meantime through work group
08:04:23	Sen. Brown - questions on unfunded mandate and lack of equal protection
08:05:00	Bart Campbell - clarification on unfunded mandate, discussion of equal protection
08:05:54	Rep. Roberts - discussion of state's obligations regarding costs
08:06:20	Sen. Keane - discussion of differing views from inside and outside boundaries
08:07:11	Rep. Reinhart - review of eradication, who pays for testing, how department is moving forward
08:08:10	Adjourned

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