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Tentative Agenda

June 24-25, 2010 -- Room 137, State Capitol

Please note: All times are tentative. Some agenda items may take more or less time than scheduled.

THURSDAY, JUNE 24, 2010

- 9:00 a.m. **Call to order; roll call** -- Representative Gordon Hendrick, Vice Presiding Officer
- 9:01 a.m. **Approval of April 22-23 and May 19 summary minutes**
- 9:02 a.m. **Meeting overview** -- Rachel Weiss, Research Analyst
- 9:05 a.m. **Potential SAVA committee bill:** amendments related to SB 90 (2009)
→ David Niss, staff attorney
→ Public comment
→ Committee questions, discussion, and action, if desired
- 9:20 a.m. **Request for a SAVA committee bill**
→ Linda Stoll, Montana Association of County Clerks and Records
→ Public comment
→ Committee questions, discussion, and action, if desired
- 9:45 a.m. **Agency oversight:** Review of agency legislative proposals
→ Background and review of process -- Rachel Weiss
 • Agency presentation of proposal(s)
 • Public comment
 • Committee questions and discussion
 • Action item: authorize or decline to authorize drafting

NOTE: The chair will call for breaks at appropriate times.

- Office of the Secretary of State -- Secretary Linda McCulloch and staff
 • Clean-up/clarify statutes related to business entities
 • Provide for digital imaging of records
 • Grant rulemaking authority for notary functions
 • Clean-up/synchronize election laws
 • Allow election judges who are age 16 or 17
 • Allow special election after interim appointment to fill vacancies in U.S. Senate
- Commissioner of Political Practices -- Commissioner Dennis Unsworth

- Eliminate local registration and disclosure filing for legislative and statewide candidates only
- Department of Administration -- Director Janet Kelly and staff
 - Coordination of insurance benefits vs subrogation
 - Extend wireless 9-1-1 fund distribution
 - Amend MT Mortgage Broker and Mortgage Lender Licensing Act
 - Extend Bond Validating Act
 - Consolidate state employee benefit plan requirements within Title 2
 - Regulate and license money transmitters
 - Amend Montana Deferred Deposit Loan Act
 - Amend Montana Title Loan Act
 - Eliminate the Publishing Policy Committee
 - Local government auditor selection
 - Stale Warrant - presentation and cancellation cleanup
- Department of Military Affairs -- Brigadier General John Walsh and staff
 - Clarify roles/responsibilities for recovery of expenses related to orphan hazardous materials
 - Housekeeping
 - Amend allocation of search and rescue funds between mission reimbursements and training/equipment needs

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Lunch

1:00 p.m.

Legislative proposal review, continued

- Montana Public Employees' Retirement Administration and Public Employees' Retirement Board -- Roxanne Minnehan, Executive Director
 - Housekeeping
 - Rewrite of Volunteer Firefighters' Compensation Act (VFCA)
 - Require employer contributions on compensation paid to working retirees in PERS, FURS, and SRS
 - Benefit and funding changes to PERS
 - Benefit and funding changes to SRS
 - Benefit and funding changes to GWPORS
- Teachers' Retirement System and Board -- David Senn, Executive Director
 - Funding proposals
 - Housekeeping
 - ORP supplemental rate adjustment

2:30 p.m.

Agency oversight: Retirement system experience studies

- David Senn, Executive Director, Teachers' Retirement System
- Roxanne Minnehan, Executive Director, MPERA
- Public comment

3:30 p.m.

Committee work session

- Recommendations for stakeholder, MPERA, and TRS retirement proposals

→ Other?

4:00 p.m. **Public comment on any subject within SAVA's jurisdiction but not on this agenda**

4:15 p.m. **Recess until Friday at 8 a.m.**

FRIDAY, JUNE 25, 2010

8:00 a.m. **Call to order; roll call** -- Rep. Gordon Hendrick

8:05 a.m. **HB659 study and redesign:** Task 3 - In-depth analysis of potential plan design alternatives -- Dave Slishinsky and Doug Fiddler, Consulting Actuaries, Buck Consultants *(The chairman will call for breaks as needed.)*

1:00 p.m. **Lunch**

2:00 p.m. **HB659 study and redesign:** Task 3 continued
(The chairman will call for breaks as needed.)

Public comment

Action Item:

- (1) Select at least one TRS potential design alternative to forward to the TRS actuary for cost analysis; and
- (2) If desired, select at least one PERS potential design alternative to forward to the PERB actuary for cost analysis.

4:30 p.m. **Work session** (if necessary)
→ Recommendations for stakeholder, MPERA, and TRS retirement proposals
→ Other?

5:00 p.m. **Public comment on any subject within SAVA's jurisdiction but not on this agenda**

5:15 p.m. **Other business**
→ Set August meeting date
→ Member issues
→ Direction to staff for further research or agenda items for next meeting

5:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

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