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Economic Affairs Interim Committee Agenda

March 27, 2014 Room 152

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

- 10:30 a.m. 1. Welcome -- Call to Order - Roll Call -- Introduction -- Sen. Tutvedt
- 10:35 a.m. 2. Agency Monitoring - Department of Commerce
 -- Overview by Director Meg O'Leary
 -- Update on Board of Horseracing, budget and projected race meets
 -- Assessment of benefits of tax credits for low-income housing
 -- Assessment of benefits of economic development and community grants
 -- Assessment of benefits for state-tribal economic development grants
 -- Assessment of benefits of quality schools grants
 -- Assessment of benefits of film tax credits
 -- Montana-specific tax credits -- Who gets them -- Stephanie Morrison, LFD
 -- Tax credits: How to determine if they are working -- Josh Goodman, The Pew
 Charitable Trusts (by Skype)
- 11:45 a.m. 3. Update on Milk Rule Subcommittee - Rep. Hertz
- 12:00 noon 4. Public Comment on any item not on the agenda or not yet discussed
 that is under the Committee's purview
- Break for Lunch*
- 1:15 p.m. 5. Agency Monitoring - Board of Investments
 -- Update on [latest annual BOI report](#) -- David Ewer, BOI Executive Director
 -- Board Functions -- Mark Noennig, chair
 Public Comment
- 1:45 p.m. 6. SJR 24 White Paper on Military Training
 -- Overview by Pat Murdo, Legislative Staff
 Public Comment
- 2:00 p.m. 7. HJR 25 Study
 a) Workers' Compensation Court
 -- Overview by Pat Murdo and Bart Campbell, Legislative Staff
 -- Comments from Judge James Jeremiah Shea
 Public Comment
- 2:45 p.m. b) Updates on Utilization & Treatment Guidelines and Medical Status Forms
 -- Diana Ferriter, Employment Relations Division Administrator
 Public Comment

- 3:15 p.m. c) Reports from Insurers, Claimants on Treating Physician Designations
 -- Ann Komac, Montana Municipal Insurance Authority (Plan 1)
 -- Bridget McGregor, State Fund Medical Team Leader, Plan 3 Representative,
 and Dan Gengler, State Fund
 -- Michelle Reinhart Levine and David Lighthall, attorneys representing
 injured workers
 Public Comment
- 4:00 p.m. d) Public Comment on Next Steps for Montana State Fund Restructuring
 -- Committee Discussion and Determination of Bill Components
Committee Action
- 4:30 p.m. 8. Licensing Board Concerns
 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
 Committee Discussion and Recommendations
- 5:00 p.m. 9. Rule Review -- Handout -- Bart Campbell, staff attorney
- 5:15 p.m. 10. Reports from legislative liaisons to Montana State Fund and Rail
 Services Competition Council
11. Updates on Agencies, Areas of Interest, Review of May agenda items
Committee Action to change May 8 meeting date to May 12
- 5:30 p.m. 12. Directions to staff -- Adjourn

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