



## State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee

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### 63rd Montana Legislature

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### AGENDA

as of 6/17/14

#### Meeting #8 - Friday, August 15, 2014

Room 137, Capitol Bldg., Helena

Please note: all times are approximate and subject to change

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- 8:30 a.m.      **1. Call to order and roll call** - Sen. Dee Brown, Presiding Officer
- 8:35            **2. Office of Commissioner of Political Practices**
- a. Jonathan Motl, Commissioner of Political Practices (COPP)
    - (i) Update on docket - progress on outstanding cases
    - (ii) Agency legislative proposals
  - b. Committee questions
  - c. Public comment
  - d. Committee work session
    - Action Item: Does the Committee authorize the COPP proposals for drafting?
- 9:15            **3. Committee bill - LCsa01 - revising selection of Commissioner**
- a. Sen. Jent - bill overview
  - b. Committee questions
  - c. Public comment
  - d. Committee work session
    - Action Item: Does the Committee approve LCsa01 as a Committee bill and/or have revisions? Assignment of sponsor.
- 9:30            **4. Committee bill - LC0146 - revising disclosure on election materials**
- a. Ginger Aldrich, staff attorney
  - b. Committee questions
  - c. Public comment
  - d. Committee work session
    - Action Item: Does the committee approve LC0146 as a committee bill and/or have revisions? Assignment of sponsor.

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- 9:45           **5. Department of Administration - Legislative Proposals**
- a. Karen Powell - State Tax Appeal Board
  - b. Angela Wong - State Lottery
  - c. Others?
  - d. Committee questions
  - e. Public comment
  - f. Committee work session
    - Action Item: Does the Committee authorize the Department of Administration agency proposals for drafting?
- 10:15           BREAK
- 10:30           **6. Veteran's Services**
- a. Panel discussion: Need for statewide outreach and referral services
    - (i) Joe Walsh, veteran
    - (ii) TBD
    - (iii) TBD
    - (iv) TBD
  - b. Committee questions
  - c. Public comment
  - d. Committee work session
    - Action Item: Would the committee like to move forward, and if so how, on the question of whether to establish a state veteran's advocate position under the Governor's office to help map local, state, and federal services available to veterans and to provide statewide outreach to refer veterans to appropriate services?
- 12:00           LUNCH
- 1:00 p.m.       **7. Teachers' Retirement System Bill Proposals**
- a. Shawn Graham, Executive Director, TRS
  - b. Committee questions
  - c. Public comment
  - d. Committee work session
    - Action Item: Does the Committee authorize the TRS bill proposals for drafting?
- 1:30           **8. Public Employees' Retirement Board Bill Proposals**
- a. Dore Schwinden, Executive Director, MPERA
  - b. Committee questions
  - c. Public comment
  - d. Committee work session
    - Action Item: Does the Committee authorize the PER Board bill proposals for drafting?
- 2:15           BREAK

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- 2:30           **9. Committee bill - LC0144 (formerly LCsa03) - revising termination triggers for certain PERS contributions**
- a. Sheri Scurr, staff researcher - final review of LC0144
  - b. Committee questions
  - c. Public comment
  - d. Committee work session
    - Action Item: Does the committee approve LC0144 as a committee bill? Assignment of sponsor.
- 2:45           **10. Potential committee bill - remedy for election administration irregularities**
- a. Ginger Aldrich, summary of ideas received
  - b. Committee discussion and questions
  - c. Public comment
  - d. Committee work session
    - Action Item: Does the committee want a committee bill on this and, if so, what should the bill provide for? Assignment of sponsor.
- 3:15           **11. Committee bill - LC0143 (formerly LCsa02) - generally revising election laws**
- a. Sheri Scurr - final review of any changes
  - b. Committee questions
  - c. Public comment
  - d. Committee work session
    - Action Item: Does the committee agree to final approval of LC0143 as a committee bill? Assignment of sponsor.
- 3:30           **12. Committee bill - LC0145 - clarify authority of SOS to charge certain fees**
- a. Ginger Aldrich - bill review
  - b. Committee questions
  - c. Public comment
  - d. Committee work session
    - Action Item: Does the committee agree to final approval of LC0145 as a committee bill? Assignment of sponsor.
- 3:45           **13. Rule review activity - Ginger Aldrich**
- 4:00           **14. General public comment** - any matter under the Committee's jurisdiction
- 4:15           Wrap up  
Instructions to Staff  
Next meeting - reschedule November 14 meeting  
Adjournment

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