Public Safety Breakout Session
Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2020: 8:00 -10:00 a.m.
State Capitol, Room 137

TENTATIVE AGENDA

8:00 – Welcome
Staff will introduce themselves, special guest presenters, and explain the morning activities.

8:05-8:35 – Public Safety Update (Legislative Staff)
Legislators will hear an update about interim committee work and about the history of public safety funding in Montana and fiscal impacts in our state. Staff will use graphics to show historic trends and impacts of policy changes.

8:35-9:20 – National Overview of Justice Reinvestment Initiatives (NCSL: Alison Lawrence)
The National Conference of State Legislatures will present a national overview of state sentencing and corrections reforms, including those supported through the Justice Reinvestment Initiative, with a focus on states’ experiences in measuring and evaluating fiscal and policy results. They will also provide comparative information for states with similar corrections systems and have made similar policy changes.

9:20-9:45 – Corrections and JRI discussion of Assumptions and future trends
LFD staff will discuss work being done to look at the potential future costs of the Public Safety system in Montana, including what assumptions may need to be considered, especially in light of JRI expectations. Legislators will hear from staff on the analysis of prison and supervision population trends in Montana and how these influence costs.

9:45-10:00 – Public Comment, General Questions from Legislators

10:00-10:15 – Break and Choose New Track