



## Economic Affairs Interim Committee

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### 64th Montana Legislature

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## Economic Affairs Interim Committee Agenda

### December 2, 2015

### Room 102

*Note: Some of the agenda items may take more or less time than indicated. All of the agenda items include time for questions by the committee members.*

### December 2, 2015, Meeting Agenda

- 8:00 a.m. Call to Order - Roll Call - Sen. Vance, vice presiding officer
- 8:05 a.m. **Assigned Studies -- HJR 29**  
Review of [Survey Results](#) from Air Ambulances and NCCI Air Ambulance Cost Data  
--Pat Murdo, Committee Staff
- 8:20 a.m. Panel Discussion on Hospital Issues Related to Air Ambulance Costs, Dispatch  
--Hospital Representatives:  
Jeff Fee, CEO, St. Patrick Hospital, Missoula  
Dr. David Chen, Bozeman Health  
Forrest Ehlinger, CFO, Benefis Health, Great Falls  
Tony Patterson, Kalispell Regional Medical Center
- Air Ambulance Company Representatives  
Randy Holom, Northeast STAT Air, & CEO, Frances Mahon Deaconess Hospital, Glasgow  
Russell Hancock, Northwest MedStar  
John Maxness, Exec Air/Montana Medical Transport
- 10:00 a.m. Statutory or Regulatory Measures in Other States, Organizations  
-- Jim DeTienne, Dept. of Public Health and Human Services, Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Systems
- Jesse Laslovich, Chief Counsel, State Auditor's Office
- 10:30 a.m. Panel Discussion on Medical/Air Ambulance Requirements  
--Medical Provider Representatives  
Scott Schandelson, Benefis Health, Great Falls  
Dr. Timothy Donovan, Missoula  
Carol Bensen, St. Patrick Hospital, Senior Director of Critical Care
- Air Ambulance Company Representatives  
John Maxness, Exec Air/Montana Medical Transport  
Ted Schye, Northeast STAT Air, Glasgow  
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\*Public Comment on Hospital Issues Related to Air Ambulance Dispatch, Medical and Air Ambulance Requirements

11:45 a.m. Committee Discussion of Next Steps

12:00 p.m. Directions to staff, adjourn

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