



## Economic Affairs Interim Committee

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### Economic Affairs Interim SJR 27 Subcommittee Agenda

November 8, 2017

Room 137 of the State Capitol

(Times are subject to change. An agenda item may be earlier or later than scheduled.)

- 8:00 a.m. 1. Call to Order - Roll Call - Sen. Vance, presiding officer
- 8:05 a.m. 2. Administrative Updates on Subcommittee Approach - Review of Table Approach  
-- Sen. Vance
- 8:10 a.m. 3. a) Montana's Workers' Compensation Overview: The 3-Way System  
- Nancy Butler, Deputy State Auditor  
b) Questions from the Subcommittee  
c) Public Comment
- 9:00 a.m. 4. Employer Views on Competition  
a) John Youngberg, Montana Farm Bureau  
b) Larry Jones, Montana Self-Insurers Association  
c) Riley Johnson, National Federation of Independent Businesses  
d) Spook Stang, Montana Motor Carriers Association  
e) State of Montana Benefits Division (no representative - dividend handout)  
f) Questions from the Subcommittee  
g) Public Comment
- 10:30 a.m. 5. Insurers' Discussion on Competition - Rates, Premium Taxes, Service, Settlements  
a) Laurence Hubbard, Montana State Fund  
b) Keith Brownfield, Victory Insurance  
c) Gary Strannigan, Liberty Mutual  
d) Shannon Shanholtzer, MT Association of Counties Workers Compensation Trust  
e) John Leonard, retired, president emeritus, Maine Employers Mutual Insurance Co.  
f) Questions from the Subcommittee  
g) Public Comment
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00 p.m. 6. Panel Comparing Guaranteed Markets and Residual Risk Pools/Assignments  
a) Bruce Hockman, Pinehurst Consulting  
b) Cliff Merritt, NCCI  
c) Questions from the Subcommittee  
d) Public Comment
- 1:30 p.m. 8. Subcommittee Next Steps. Invitation to Table - Discussion, Next Topics (Prospective Direction/Outcomes)
- 3:00 p.m. 9. Directions to staff, adjourn

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