

Possible topics for Education Interim Committee

for committee discussion, compiled by Pad McCracken, Committee Staff, June 2017

General and PK-20

Statutory duties (agency monitoring, rule review, advisory councils and reports review; these will be discussed in the work plan)

Review [2013-14 Shared Policy Goals](#) (K-12, MUS, K-20)

Early Ed

Updates from DPHHS on state-funded pilot programs and OPI on Preschool Development Grant

Presentations on recent research and state policy considerations

K-12

K-12 funding

Federal issues ([ESSA plan submission and implementation](#); funding and program implications; school lunch and breakfast; etc.)

[HJ 1](#) study of special needs funding

Bureau of Indian Education school funding (Two Eagle River School in Pablo and Northern Cheyenne Tribal School in Busby)

Recruitment and retention follow up

Common school trust lands, Land Board, and school funding

Career and Technical Education (CTE); work-based learning, apprenticeships, etc.

School safety and student health issues:

- Bullying
- Suicide prevention
- Sexual abuse prevention

Instructional innovation (digital and online learning; personalized/individualized/competency-based/mastery models)

Flexibility for innovation; variances to standards and charter schools

Student assessments

Data privacy

Accessing school data—refreshers on using GEMS, OPI website, school district maps, etc

Chronic absenteeism and truancy

Higher Ed

Basics of higher ed funding (MUS, CCs, Tribal Colleges)

MUS governance and organizational structure

Costs, tuition, and student loan debt

Workforce development