



## Law and Justice Interim Committee

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### 65th Montana Legislature

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## AGENDA

May 21, 2018  
State Capitol, Room 102

**Please note:** All times are tentative. Some items may take more or less time than scheduled.

- 8:00 a.m.     **Call to Order -- Roll Call** -- Senator Diane Sands, Presiding Officer
- 8:05 a.m.     **SJ 25 Study: State Efforts to Reduce Use of Restricted Housing in Prisons**
- Josh Tewalt, Director of Operations, Association of State Correctional Administrators (ASCA)
  - Colby Braun, Warden, North Dakota State Penitentiary (videoconference)
  - Lisa Ann Peterson, Clinical Director North Dakota State Penitentiary (videoconference)
  - Questions from the committee
- 9:30 a.m.     **SJ 25 Study: Sheriffs' Suggestions to Reduce Use of Administrative Segregation in Detention Centers**
- Undersheriff Sam Bofto, Yellowstone County
  - Sheriff Brian Gootkin, Gallatin County
  - Dr. Gary Mihelish
  - Questions from the committee
- 10:00 a.m.    **Public Comment\* on SJ 25 Study Topics**
- 10:15 a.m.    BREAK
- 10:30 a.m.    **Agency Oversight: Department of Corrections Update**
- Director Reginald D. Michael
  - Questions from the committee
  - Public comment\*
- 11:05 a.m.    **Agency Oversight: Statewide Reentry Task Force Report**
- Marcia Levitan, Reentry Program Manager, DOC
  - Questions from the committee
  - Public comment\*

- 11:50 a.m. **Administrative Rule Review**
- Julianne Burkhardt, Staff Attorney, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
  - Questions from the committee
  - Public comment\*
- Noon LUNCH
- 1:00 p.m. **Committee Topic: Victims' Rights -- Current Statutory Rights and Funding for Services, Gaps in Statutes, Practices, or Funding, Ideas for Changes**
- Robin Turner, Public Policy and Legal Director, Montana Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence
  - Meg Garvin, MA, JD, Executive Director and Clinical Professor of Law, National Crime Victim Law Institute (via telephone)
  - Marty Lambert, Gallatin County Attorney
  - Questions from the committee
  - Public comment\*
- 2:15 p.m. **Agency Oversight: Department of Justice Update**
- Liz Bangerter, Government Affairs Director, DOJ
  - Questions from the committee
  - Public comment\*
- 2:30 p.m. BREAK
- 2:45 p.m. **Agency Oversight: Board of Pardons and Parole Update**
- Annette Carter, Board member
  - Questions from the committee
  - Public comment\*
- 3:15 p.m. **Agency Oversight: Office of Public Defender Update**
- Introduction and update: Rhonda Schaffer, Director
  - Review of items for possible clean up committee bill: Rachel Weiss, LSD
  - Questions from the committee
  - Public comment\*
- 3:30 p.m. **Committee Issue: Update on SJ 3 Study of Tribal Resources for Tribal Members In State Criminal Justice System**
- Sen. Jen Gross, State-Tribal Relations Committee and LJIC member
  - Rachel Weiss, LSD
  - Questions from the committee
  - Public comment\*
- 3:45 p.m. **SJ 25 Study: Review of Possible Final Report Topics**
- Rachel Weiss, LSD
  - Questions from the committee
  - Public comment\*

4:00 p.m. **Public Comment\*** on any topic within the LJIC's jurisdiction but not on this agenda

4:15 p.m. **Committee Work Session**

- Staff review of next meeting items
- HJ 6 and SJ 25 studies: committee recommendations, next steps, additional information, other requests?
- Agency Oversight: questions, information requests?
- Member issues for future meetings?
- Other directions to staff?
- Next meetings: July 16 and September 11 -- Helena

5:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

\* Public comment provided in person to the committee is a public record that is recorded, archived, and available on the Internet. Public comment submitted in writing at a committee meeting is a public record that will be posted to the legislative Web site as part of the minutes log for the committee meeting.

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