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AGENDA

Sept. 13, 2019

State Capitol, Room 137

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

- 8:00 a.m.** **1. Call to Order -- Roll Call -- Overview of Agenda**
Rep. Eric Moore, Presiding Officer
- 8:05 a.m.** **2. Agency Oversight: Department of Public Health and Human Services**
a. Administrative Rule Review -- *Alexis Sandru, Committee Attorney*
b. Statutorily Required Reports -- *Sue O'Connell, Committee Research Analyst*
- 8:15 a.m.** **3. SB 202: Uniform Guardianship Law**
a. Review of Staff Reports -- *Alexis Sandru*
 i. Overview: Guardianships and Conservatorships
 ii. Overview: Uniform Laws Commission
b. Review of SB 202 Testimony
 i. Beth Brenneman, Disability Rights Montana
 ii. Beth McLaughlin, Supreme Court Administrator
- 8:45 a.m.** c. **Public Comment*** on the SB 202 Study
- 9:00 a.m.** **4. HJR 48/49 Study: Child Protective Services (Part I)**
a. Review of Staff Reports and Agency Statistics-- *Sue O'Connell and Alexis Sandru*
b. CPS Investigation, Removal, and Reunification Processes
 i. Marti Vining, Administrator, DPHHS Child and Family Services Division (CFSD)
 ii. Ike Jessee, CFSD Training Development Specialist
- NOON** **BRIEF BREAK BEFORE WORKING LUNCH**
- 12: 15 p.m.** **5. Agency Oversight: LFD Fiscal Updates**
Jon Arnold and Josh Poulette (by phone), Legislative Fiscal Division

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- 1:00 p.m.** **6. General Public Comment*** on any non-study item in the committee's jurisdiction
- 1:15 p.m.** **7. HJR 48/49 Study: Child Protective Services (Part II)**
- c. Overview: Court Involvement in the CPS System
 - i. Beth McLaughlin, Supreme Court Administrator
 - ii. Montana Supreme Court Justice Ingrid Gustafson (*by phone*)
 - d. Tribal CPS Programs
 - i. Marti Vining, Administrator, DPHHS Child and Family Services Division
 - ii. Leah LaMere, Director of Social Services, Chippewa Cree Tribe (*by phone*)
- 2:00 p.m.**
- 2:05 p.m.**
- 2:20 p.m.** e. **Public Comment*** on the HJR 48/49 Study
- 2:45 p.m.** **BREAK**
- 3:00 p.m.** **8. HJR 50 Study: Senior and Long-Term Care**
- a. Overview of Medicaid-Funded Home and Community-Based Services Programs
 - i. Sue O'Connell, Committee Research Analyst
 - ii. Barb Smith -- Administrator, DPHHS Senior and Long-Term Care Division
 - b. Tribal Perspective -- Carrie Bearchief, Director, Blackfeet Eagle Shields Center (*by phone*)
- 3:45 p.m.**
- 4:00 p.m.** c. **Public Comment*** on the HJR 50 Study
- 4:30 p.m.** **9. Agency Oversight: DPHHS Update**
DPHHS Director Sheila Hogan
- 5:00 p.m.** **10. Committee Work Session**
- a. Direction to Staff on Study and Oversight Activities
 - i. SB 202 Study
 - ii. Administrative Rule Review
 - iii. Other Study or Oversight Activities
 - b. Discussion of November Meeting in Billings
 - c. Discussion/Decision on Legislative Week Participation
- 5:15 p.m.** **11. Adjournment**

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