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TENTATIVE AGENDA

Wednesday, August 19, 2020 -- 8:00 a.m.
Video Conference Call

(All times on the agenda are approximate. Some items may take more or less time than scheduled.)

- 8:00 a.m. **Call to Order -- Roll Call** -- Rep. Barry Usher, Presiding Officer
- 8:05 a.m. **Training on [Interim Budget Changes](#)**
- Quinn Holzer, Assistant Director, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
 - Marcianne Lewandowski, Fiscal Analyst, LFD
 - Questions from the committee
- 8:45 a.m. **Committee Issue:** Review of recent performance audits related to state prisons and community contracted facilities
1. A Comparative Evaluation of State-Operated and Contracted Men's Prisons ([18P-08](#))
 - James Sutcliffe, Performance Auditor, Legislative Audit Division (LAD) (~20 minutes)
 - Pat Smith, Contracts Bureau Chief, Department of Corrections (DOC) (~5 to 10 minutes)
 - Questions from the committee
- 9:45 a.m. Break
2. Effectiveness of Contracted Community Corrections Programs in Reducing Recidivism ([18P-05](#))
 - Amber Robbins, Performance Auditor, LAD (~25 minutes)
 - Megan Coy, Program and Facilities Bureau Chief, DOC (~10 to 15 minutes)
 - Questions from the committee
- 11:00 a.m. 3. Public comment* on the performance audits

- 11:30 a.m. **Agency Oversight:** DOC Update on COVID-19 and [PREA audits \(Prison Rape Eliminate Act\)](#)
- DOC staff
 - Public comment*
 - Questions from the committee
- 12:15 p.m. **Public comment*** on any topic within the LJIC's jurisdiction but not on this agenda
- 12:30 p.m. Adjourn

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