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AGENDA

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September 9, 2019

8:30 a.m.

State Capitol, Room 102

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

- 8:30 a.m. **Call to Order – Roll Call** -- Rep. Barry Usher, Presiding Officer
- 8:35 a.m. **Judicial Branch and Office of Court Administrator Introduction and Update**
- Beth McLaughlin, Court Administrator
 - Questions from the committee
 - Public comment on the agenda item*
- 9:00 a.m. **Agency Oversight:** Department of Corrections (DOC) introduction and overview
- Director Reginald Michael
 - Questions from the committee
 - Public comment on the agenda item*
- 10:15 a.m. **Agency Oversight:** Advisory councils, required reports, and administrative rule review
- Rachel Weiss, Research Analyst, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
 - Julianne Burkhardt, Staff Attorney, LSD
 - Questions from the committee
 - Public comment on the agenda item*
- 10:30 a.m. **Administrative Matters:** Review of draft work plan, meeting chart
- Rachel Weiss, LSD
 - Questions from the committee
 - Public comment on the agenda item*
- 10:45 a.m. **Break**

- 11:00 a.m. **HJ 36 Study of Compensation for Wrongfully Convicted Persons:**
 Discussion of Montana laws, other state models, experiences of exonerated individuals and their families, suggestions for legislation
- Frank Knaack, Executive Director, Montana Innocence Project
 - Cody Marble, exoneree
 - Jerry Marble, father of an exoneree
 - Michelle Feldman, State Campaign Director, Innocence Project (national)
 - Patrick Webb, Director of Grassroots Operations, Americans for Prosperity
 - Questions from the committee
 - Public comment on the HJ 36 study*
- 12:15 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:15 p.m. **Agency Oversight:** Department of Justice (DOJ) introduction and overview
- Liz Bangerter, Government Affairs Director, DOJ
 - Other DOJ staff TBD
 - Questions from the committee
 - Public comment on the agenda item*
- 2:00 p.m. **HJ 31 Study of the Board of Crime Control**
1. Overview of the Board's structure, duties, and grant distribution processes
 - Peter Ohman, Board Presiding Officer
 - Natalia Bowser, Bureau Chief, Crime Control Bureau, DOC
 - Questions from the committee
 2. Analysis of Board's authority and legislative oversight after SB 95 transfer
 - Julianne Burkhardt, LSD
 - Questions from the committee
 3. Public comment on the HJ 31 study*
- 3:00 p.m. **Break**
- 3:15 p.m. **SJ 19 Study of Sexual and Violent Offender Registries**
1. Overview of legislative history
 - Rachel Weiss, LSD
 - Questions from the committee
 2. Introduction, explanation of role and sexual offender registry resources available to LJIC
 - Madison Mattioli, Assistant Attorney General
 - Questions from the committee
 3. Public comment on the SJ 19 study*

3:45 p.m. **Public comment*** on any item within the committee's jurisdiction but not on this agenda

4:00 p.m. **Committee Work Session**

- Administrative matters
 - Revise/adopt draft work plan
 - Revise/adopt meeting dates
- Agency Oversight - What additional updates or information would the LJIC like to request from the agencies? Are there questions the LJIC wants addressed during future agency presentations?
- HJ 31: Board of Crime Control study - What information related to the study would the LJIC like to receive at future meetings? Are there speakers or stakeholders the LJIC would like to invite for future meetings?
- HJ 36: Study of compensation for wrongfully convicted - What additional information related to the study would the LJIC like to receive? Are there speakers or stakeholders the LJIC would like to invite for future meetings or next steps it would like to take?
- SJ 19: Study of sexual and violent offender registries - What information related to the study would the LJIC like to receive at future meetings? Are there speakers or stakeholders the LJIC would like to invite for future meetings?
- Other directions to staff?
- Tentative next meeting date: Nov. 18-19, Helena

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

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