



# State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee

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## AGENDA

as of 2/19/20

### Meeting #5 –Thursday, Feb. 27, 2020

Room 137, Capitol Bldg., Helena

All times are approximate

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- 9:00 a.m. 1. **Rep. McKamey, Presiding Officer**  
Call to order, roll call, overview of agenda
- 9:05 2. **Lobbying law revisions - scope as defined at Jan. 16 meeting**
- a. Sheri Scurr, Research Analyst, LSD, review of preliminary bill drafts (PDs) showing current laws and potential revisions related to:
- (i) conforming statutes to COPP's current legal guidance based on court decisions and updating terminology  
- PD 02 (Scurr)
- (ii) revising lobbying fee  
-PD 03 (Scurr)  
➤ overview of lobbying fee history and disposition  
Legislative Audit, Fiscal, and Services staff available for questions
- (iii) reporting - when and how  
- PD 04 (Scurr)
- 10:00 b. Jeff Mangan, Commissioner of Pol. Practices - update on electronic filing system
- 10:15 c. Public comment\* - lobbying matters relevant to preliminary bill drafts
- 11:00 d. Committee work session - potential action on preliminary bill drafts or further research
- 11:30 3. **Rule review**
- a. Staff attorney
- b. Public comment\* on rule review matters
- c. Potential committee action
- 11:45 4. **General public comment\*** - any topic under the committee's jurisdiction
- 12:00 LUNCH

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- 1:00        5.    **Ballot Interference Prevention Act (BIPA)**
- a.    Sheri Scurr, Research Analyst, LSD - review of legislative history and current law
  - b.    Jameson Walker, staff attorney - review of 9th Circuit Court decision, AZ law
  - c.    Panel: Comments on experiences implementing BIPA
    - (i)    County Election Administrators
      - Regina Plettenberg, Ravalli County
      - Rina Moore, Cascade County
      - Casey Hayes, Gallatin County
    - (ii)    Office of Public Instruction (OPI)
      - Nicole Thuotte, school election specialist
    - (iii)    Secretary of State's Office
      - Dana Corson, Election Services Director
    - (iv)    Commissioner of Political Practices
      - Jeff Mangan
  - d.    Public comment\*
  - e.    Committee work session - potential action or instructions to staff
- 2:00        6.    **Election Security Grant - Informational Briefing**
- a.    Dana Corson, Election Services Director, Sec. of State's Office  
      Informational briefing on \$3.1 million federal election security grant
  - b.    Public comment\*
- 2:15        7.    **Wrap up**  
      Next meeting - Discuss changing March 25 meeting date
- ADJOURNMENT

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

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