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AGENDA

as of 10/28/19 Meeting #3 –Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2019 Room 137, Capitol Bldg., Helena All times are approximate

8:00 a.m.	1.	 Rep. McKamey, Presiding Officer a. Call to Order b. Roll call c. Overview of agenda
8:05	2.	HJ 23 - study of structure & funding of Montana Veterans' Affairs Division a. Sheri Scurr, LSD Research Analyst, big picture overview of veterans' services structure in other states
8:15		 b. <u>Panel: Caseloads and state/county communication</u> Kelly Ackerman, Administrator, MVAD Mike Warner, Ravalli County Veterans' Service Office (1) Caseload data, vet pop by county/region and percentage of vets served (2) Implementation of HB 172, grants to county offices (3) State/county communication and information sharing
8:40		 c. <u>Panel: Training and accreditation for veteran service officers (VSOs)</u> (1) Angela Kirkland, Veterans' Benefits Administration Coach, VA (2) Kelly Ackerman, MVAD administrator (3) Roger Hagan, American Legion (4) Tom Johnson, Veterans' of Foreign Wars (5) Michael Roof, National Service Director, National Assoc. of County VSOs
10:30		d. Public comment* and interested stakeholder perspectives - HJ 23
10:45	BREAK	
11:00		 e. Committee discussion, <u>work session</u> > Identification of service models for further research, potential guest speakers for next meeting
11:15	3.	 Montana Heritage Center (MHC) - Info. Briefing a. Bruce Whittenberg, Director, Montana Historical Society and MHC steering committee chair b. Public comment c. Committee discussion and potential action

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11:45	4.	General public comment* - any topic under the committee's jurisdiction
12:00	LUNCH	H - committee and staff invited to Sec. of State's conference room for lunch (optional)
1:00	5.	 HJ 3 - study of accessibility for disabled electors a. Sheri Scurr, Research Analyst (1) Update on status of surveys (2) Current statutes and rules on training
1:15		 b. Panel: Training for election administrators and judges (1) Dana Corson, Elections Director, Sec. of State's Office (2) Regina Plettenberg, county election administrators (3) Nicole Thuotte, Finance and Elections Specialist, OPI (4) Denise Williams, Montana Association of School Business Officials
2:00 2:15		c. Public comment on HJ 3 topicsd. Committee discussion and instructions to staff on HJ 3 topics
2:30	BREAM	ζ
2:45	6.	 Rule review - following order for each rule a. Ginger Aldrich, staff attorney b. Agency comment (or availability for questions) For 9-1-1 Grant Criteria rule review Quinn Ness and Don Harris, Dept. of Admin. For Sports Wagering rule review Angela Wong, director, State Lottery and Sports Wagering Commission; Don Harris and Bryan Costigan, lottery commission security director c. Public comment on rule review d. Committee discussion and potential action
3:30	7.	 Sports wagering contracting a. Staff review of correspondence received by SAVA b. Mike Manion, legal counsel, State Lottery and Sports Wagering Commission c. Public comment d. Committee discussion and potential action
4:00	8.	 Pension oversight a. Staff update on LFC subcommittee's activities related to pensions, agenda for "Legislative Week" - Jan. 13-17 b. Dore Schwinden, Exec. Dir., MPERA, actuarial valuation results for MPERA c. Shawn Graham, Exec. Dir., TRS, actuarial valuation results d. Public comment
4:45	9.	 Wrap up and adjournment a. Next meeting - Dec. 3 b. Any additional Instructions to staff c. ADJOURNMENT

* <u>Public comment</u> 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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