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FINAL AGENDA

STATE-TRIBAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

via video conference - see public participation information on last page
May 6-8, 2020

NOTE: AGENDA ITEM TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE--SOME ITEMS MAY TAKE MORE OR LESS TIME THAN IS ALLOTTED.

Wednesday, May 6, 2020

- 12:50 p.m. **STRC Call to Order - Roll Call** - Chair Small
Administrative Matters - Ms. Stockwell
- 1:00 p.m. **Joint meeting with Blackfeet Tribal Business Council**
Opening Prayer and Welcome
- 2:55 p.m. Public comment on any matter under the jurisdiction of the STRC but not on this agenda
- 3:00 p.m. Recess

Thursday, May 7, 2020

- 9:45 a.m. Reconnect to Zoom
- 10:00 a.m. **Joint meeting with CSKT Tribal Council**
Opening Prayer and Welcome
- 11:55 a.m. Public comment on any matter under the jurisdiction of the STRC but not on this agenda
- 12:00 p.m. Recess until 2 p.m.

1:45 p.m. Reconnect to Zoom

2:00 p.m. **Follow up on potential legislative proposals brought up in March**

1) Statutory reference changes in light of Little Shell's federal recognition

- Overview - Ms. Sankey
- Public comment
- STRC questions, discussion
- STRC action, if any

2:15 p.m. 2) Motor carrier services authority - HB 82, 2019

- Overview - Ms. Henneman
- Public comment
- STRC questions, discussion
- STRC action, if any

2:30 p.m. 3) Runaway youth - homeless shelter consent and graduation requirements

- Overview - Ms. Stockwell
 - Public comment
 - STRC questions, discussion
 - STRC action, if any
- Materials for discussion:
Other states' homeless shelter consent laws
Other states' contract laws for minors
Draft graduation requirement language for runaways

3:00 p.m. 4) Missing persons programs

- New data analysis from the Department of Justice - Tina Chamberlain, Looping in Native Communities Coordinator
- Review of potential legislative actions based on Missing Indigenous Persons Task Force recommendations - Ms. Stockwell
- Public comment
- STRC questions, discussion
- STRC action, if any

4:00 p.m. Recess

Friday, May 8, 2020

8:45 a.m. Reconnect to Zoom

9:00 a.m. **Updates related to COVID-19 response**

1) Jason Smith, Director, Governor's Office of Indian Affairs

2) Mary Craigle, Bureau Chief, Census & Economic Information Center, Department of Commerce

- Public comment
- STRC questions, discussion
- STRC action, if any

Map of Census self-response rate by county

- 9:30 a.m. **Study of improving communication between the state and tribes in child neglect cases**
- COVID-19 and CPS: Marti Vining, Administrator, Children and Family Services Division, DPHHS
 - How qualified expert witnesses are selected - Ms. Stockwell
 - Public comment
 - STRC questions, discussion
 - STRC action, if any
- 10:10 a.m. **HJ 10 study of barriers to American Indian voting in Montana**
- Dana Corson, Director of Elections, Secretary of State's Office
 - COVID-19 and mail ballot election implementation
 - Incorporating plus codes into voter registration database
 - Public comment
 - STRC questions, discussion
 - STRC action, if any
- 10:30 a.m. Public comment on any matter under the jurisdiction of the STRC but not on this agenda
- 10:35 a.m. **Other Business**
Instructions to Staff
- 11:00 a.m. **Adjourn**

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