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AGENDA

September 22, 2021

9:00 a.m.

State Capitol, Room 102 and Zoom

(Updated 9/20/2021)

Please note: All times are approximate

- 9:00 a.m. Call to Order – Roll Call**
Sen. Kenneth Bogner, Presiding Officer
- 9:05 a.m. Study Overviews & Options**
Erin Sullivan, Research Analyst
- HJ 48 – Facial Recognition Technology
 - Overview, study timeline, topic ideas
 - **Public comment*** & committee discussion
 - Committee action – determine study topics
 - HJ 49 – Benefits Cliffs
 - Overview, study timeline, topic ideas
 - **Public comment*** & committee discussion
 - Committee action – determine study topics
 - SJ 31 – Marijuana Program Implementation
 - Overview, study timeline, topic ideas
 - **Public comment*** & committee discussion
- 9:45 a.m. Agency Oversight:** Agency introductions and overviews – major accomplishments or changes since previous interim; primary objectives for coming interim; any known legislative issues; questions from the committee; public comment* [Agency introductions will continue at the next EAIC meeting.]
- 9:45 a.m. Montana State Fund**
Laurence Hubbard, President/CEO
- Presentation by Agency, including 2021 budget
 - Questions from committee
 - **Public comment***
- 10:30 a.m. BREAK**
- 10:40 a.m. Administrative Rule Review on Emergency Rules for Board of Pharmacy**
Jameson Walker, Staff Attorney
- Questions from committee
 - **Public comment***

- 11:20 a.m. State Auditor's Office**
Mary Belcher, Deputy State Auditor
- Presentation by Agency
 - Questions from committee
 - **Public comment***

12:00 p.m. LUNCH

- 1:00 p.m. Committee Review of Proposed Ballot Initiatives**
Jameson Walker
- Questions from the committee
 - **Public comment***
 - Committee action – amendment to EAIC rules

- 1:15 p.m. Cannabis Control Division**
Kristan Barbour, Administrator
- Update on implementation plan
 - Questions from committee
 - **Public comment***

- 1:45 p.m. Administrative Rule Review**
Jameson Walker
- **Public comment*** on rule review matters
 - Committee action (if necessary)

2:45 p.m. BREAK

- 3:00 p.m. Committee Work Session**
- Overview of revised work plan – *Erin Sullivan*
 - Committee questions & discussion
 - **Public comment*** on revised work plan
 - Committee action – determine scope of studies
 - Committee action – determine final meeting date
 - Committee action – vote on revised work plan

- 4:30 p.m. Meeting Wrap Up**
- **Public comment*** on any item within the committee's jurisdiction but not on this agenda.
 - Additional instructions to staff
 - Next meeting – Wednesday, November 17, 2021
 - Adjourn

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