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AGENDA

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June 29, 2021

9:00 a.m.

State Capitol, Room 137 and Zoom

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

9:00 a.m. **Call to Order – Roll Call – Introductions of Members and Staff**

→ Senator John Esp, Acting Presiding Officer

9:15 a.m. **Administrative Matters:** Committee duties, staff responsibilities, interim committee guidelines, proxy voting procedures, budget/travel claims, previous LJIC legislation update

→ Rachel Weiss, Research Analyst, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

→ Julianne Burkhardt, Staff Attorney, LSD

→ Questions from the committee

→ *Committee action:* adopt proxy procedure, if needed

9:30 a.m. **Agency Oversight:** Agency introductions and overviews – major accomplishments or any changes since previous interim, primary objectives for coming interim, any known legislative issues, questions from the committee, public comment* [Committee will take breaks at the discretion of the presiding officer. Agency introductions will continue at the next LJIC meeting.]

→ Department of Justice – speaker TBD

→ Office of State Public Defender – Rhonda Lindquist, Director

→ Board of Crime Control – Sheriff Leo Dutton (Board Chair) and Natalia Bowser, Board staff

→ (Invited) Board of Pardons and Parole – speaker TBD

→ Department of Corrections – Director Brian Gootkin

11:00 a.m. **Interim Budget Subcommittees** – Rep. Bill Mercer

→ Questions from the committee

- 11:15 a.m. **Overview of Draft Work Plan, Interim Studies, and Administrative Rule Reviews**
→ Rachel Weiss, LSD
→ Julianne Burkhardt, LSD
→ Public comment*
→ Questions from the committee
- 12:30 p.m. **Election of Officers**
Lunch
- 1:30 p.m. **Public comment* on any item within the committee's jurisdiction but not on this agenda**
- 1:45 p.m. **Committee Work Session**
→ Revise/adopt draft work plan
→ Revise/adopt meeting dates
→ Other directions to staff?
- 3:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

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