



# Local Government Interim Committee

67th Montana Legislature

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## AGENDA as of 11/17/21

### Local Government Interim Committee

November 18 & 19, 2021  
State Capitol Building, Room 137

*Agenda times are approximate – items may take more or less time than scheduled.*

#### Thursday November 18, 2021

- 10:00 am**      **Call to Order – Roll Call – Chair Geraldine Custer**
- 10:05 am**      **Land Use Planning Training (Tab 1) – Renee Lemon, Dept. of Commerce Community Development Division Administrator**
- Public Comment\*
  - Questions from the committee
- 11:00 am**      **Affordable Housing – Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) (Tab 2)**
- Overview of SB397 (2021) – *Toni Henneman, Research Analyst*
  - National Trends in ADUs – *Alex Horowitz, Consumer Finance Project Principal Officer, PEW Charitable Trusts*
  - Public Comment\*
  - Questions from the committee
- 12:00 pm**      **LUNCH**
- 1:00 pm**      **SJ 13 – Prevailing Wage Study (Tab 3)**
- Contract Thresholds in Other States – *Toni Henneman*
  - Discussion of Economic Impacts of Prevailing Wage Law – *Kevin Duncan, Colorado State University – Pueblo, Professor of Economics*
    - Public Comment\*
    - Questions from the committee
  - Montana Contractors Panel
    - Erik Sletten & Bob Nommensen – Sletten Construction
    - Bob Warren – Schellinger Construction
  - Public Comment\*
  - Questions from the Committee

- 2:30 pm**            **BREAK**
- 2:45 pm**            **HJ 30 – Study of County Water and/or Sewer Districts (Tab 4)**
- Follow-up of committee question regarding methods of correction – *Julie Johnson, staff attorney*
  - Historical Summary of Statutes – *Toni Henneman*
  - Overview of election and appointment process – *Susan Swimley*
  - Panel Discussion Follow-up - *Peyton Brookshire, County Water District of Billings Heights Assistant Manager*
  - Public Comment\*
  - Questions from the committee
- 4:00 pm**            **Recess for the day**

**Friday November 19, 2021**

- 9:00 am**            **Reconvene – Roll call – Chair Custer**
- 9:05 am**            **Agency Introduction – DOA LG Services Division**
- *Kristin Reynolds – Bureau Chief*
  - Questions from the Committee
- 9:15 am**            **SJ 23 Study of Public Notice by Electronic Means (Tab 5)**
- Follow-up of committee question regarding due process concerns – *Julie Johnson*
  - Summary of legislation allowing a state public notice repository – *Toni Henneman*
  - Public Records Retention Requirements – *Ray Dagnall, Secretary of State Records and Information Management*
  - County Clerk Discussion
    - *Rina Moore, Cascade County*
    - *Paula Jaconetty, Teton County*
    - *Pam Castleberry, Carter County*
    - *Linda Sajor, Butte-Silver Bow Consolidated Gov.*
  - Public Comment\*
  - Questions from the committee
- 10:30 am**            **BREAK**
- 10:45 am**            **Homeowner's Associations (Tab 6)**
- Overview of SB300 (2019) and HB196 (2021) – *Toni Henneman*
  - Discussion of intent and legal implications – *Sen. Bogner & Stephanie Baucus*
  - Public Comment\*
  - Questions from the Committee
- 11:45 pm**            **Public comment\* on any item in LGIC's subject matter jurisdiction**

- 11:50 am**      **Committee Work Session**
- Review Interim Timeline
  - Further instruction to staff
- 12:00 pm**      **Wrap up and adjournment**

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