



# State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee

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## MEETING AGENDA

*Updated 11/6/23*

SAVA Meeting #3: Wednesday, November 8 – Thursday, November 9, 2023  
Room 152, Capitol Building, Helena

*All times are approximate. Some agenda items may take more or less time than scheduled.*

### **DAY ONE – WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023**

#### **12:30 P.M. CALL TO ORDER | ROLL CALL | OPENING REMARKS [TAB 1]**

*Representative Julie Dooling, Presiding Officer*

- Overview of Day One Meeting Agenda

#### **12:35 P.M. SJ 4: PROVIDE FOR INTERIM STUDY OF PERS AND TRS [TAB 2]**

- Introduction of LFC Members – Chair Dooling
- Pensions 101 – Rebecca Power, Research Analyst
- TRS Valuation Results – Shawn Graham, TRS Executive Director
- MPERA Valuation Results – Dore Schwinden, MPERA Executive Director and William Holahan, MPERA Deputy Director
- Committee Questions & Discussion (*after each presentation*)

#### **2:30 P.M. BREAK**

#### **2:45 P.M. SJ 4: PROVIDE FOR INTERIM STUDY OF PERS AND TRS (CONTINUED) [TAB 2]**

- State Employee Benefits & Trends – Misty Ann Giles, Director, Department of Administration
- FY 23 Green Sheets – Rebecca Power, Research Analyst
- SJ 4 Study Plan – Rebecca Power, Research Analyst
  - Discuss Possible Subcommittee for SJ 4
- Committee Questions & Discussion (*after each presentation*)
- Public Comment\* on SJ 4
- Additional Committee Discussion, Potential Committee Action, and Instructions to Staff

#### **5:00 P.M. RECESS UNTIL THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>**

## **DAY TWO - THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023**

### **9:00 A.M. CALL TO ORDER | ROLL CALL | OPENING REMARKS [TAB 1]**

*Representative Julie Dooling, Presiding Officer*

- Overview of Day Two Meeting Agenda
- Recap of September Field Trip to Missoula County Elections Center

### **9:10 A.M. DECENNIAL VETERANS LONG TERM CARE NEEDS STUDY [TAB 3]**

- Plan and Timeline for Study - Barbara Smith and Mike Randol, Department of Public Health and Human Services; Kelly Ackerman, Montana Veterans' Affairs Division; Roger Hagan, Montana Department of the American Legion
- Committee Questions and Discussion
- Public Comment\* on Decennial Veterans Long Term Care Needs Study
- Additional Committee Discussion, Potential Committee Action, Instructions to Staff

### **10:25 A.M. ADMINISTRATIVE RULE REVIEW [TAB 5]**

- Introduction - Jaret Coles, Staff Attorney
- Committee Questions and Discussion
- Public Comment\* on Administrative Rule Review Matters
- Additional Committee Discussion, Potential Committee Action, & Instructions to Staff

### **10:45 A.M. BREAK**

### **11:00 A.M. WORK SESSION - MEMBER TOPICS [TAB 4]**

- Survey Results - Rebecca Power, Research Analyst
- Committee Questions & Discussion
- Public Comment\* on Member Topics
- Additional Committee Discussion, Potential Committee Action, & Instructions to Staff

### **NOON LUNCH**

*Hosted by the Office of the Secretary of State for SAVA committee members*

### **1:00 P.M. AGENCY REPORTS [TAB 7]**

- Introduction - Rebecca Power, Research Analyst
- FY23 Report on HAVA Grant Activity - Angela Nunn, Chief Deputy, Office of the Secretary of State
- 2022 Report on Statewide Election Security - Angela Nunn, Chief Deputy, Office of the Secretary of State
- 2022 Report on the Youth Voting Program - Richie Melby, Communications Director, Office of the Secretary of State
- Committee Questions & Discussion (*after each report*)
- Public Comment\* on Agency Reports
- Additional Committee Discussion, Potential Committee Action, & Instructions to Staff

**2:00 P.M. ELECTMT UPDATE**

- ElectMT Update – Austin James, Elections Director/Chief Legal Counsel, Office of the Secretary of State
- Committee Questions & Discussion
- Public Comment\* on ElectMT
- Additional Committee Discussion, Potential Committee Action, & Instructions to Staff

**2:35 P.M. PUBLIC COMMENT\* ON ANY TOPIC UNDER THE COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION****2:50 P.M. MEETING WRAP UP**

- Additional Instructions to Staff
- Next Meeting – Thursday, January 25, 2024
- Adjourn

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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**In Person:** A podium with a microphone is available for your public comment in the meeting room. You are welcome to leave written comments for the committee instead of, or in addition to, your spoken comment. Prior registration is not required; you will be asked to sign in when you arrive.

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