



STATE ADMINISTRATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS INTERIM COMMITTEE

68th Montana Legislature

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Forrest Mandeville
Wendy McKamey

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MINUTES LOG

September 11, 2023

Zoom

Helena, Montana

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rep. Julie Dooling, Chair (R)
Rep. Kelly Kortum, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Marta Bertoglio (R)
Sen. Mike Cuffe (R)
Sen. Janet Ellis (D)
Rep. Ross Fitzgerald (R)
Sen. Forrest Mandeville (R)
Sen. Wendy McKamey (R)
Rep. Ed Stafman (D)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Rep. Gregory Frazer (R)

STAFF PRESENT:

Rebecca Power, Research Analyst
Andria Hardin, Attorney
LJ Jennings, Secretary

AGENDA ([Attachment 1](#))

VISITORS' LIST ([Attachment 2](#))

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

12:59:35 Rep. Dooling called the meeting to order at 12:59 PM. The committee secretary took roll.

WORK PLAN

13:01:51 Rebecca Power, Lead Staff, Legislative Services Division, (LSD)

[EXHIBIT1](#)

[EXHIBIT2](#)

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

13:05:05 Presiding Officer Dooling

13:05:28 Sen. Ellis

13:06:29 Presiding Officer Dooling

13:07:15 Sen. Ellis

13:07:34 Sen. Cuffe

MEMBER TOPICS

13:11:20 Rebecca Power

[EXHIBIT3](#)

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

13:11:54 Sen. Ellis

13:12:52 Rebecca Power

[EXHIBIT4](#)

13:15:01 Rep. Stafman

13:16:23 Rep. Kortum

13:17:42 Sen. Ellis

13:19:16 Sen. Cuffe

13:20:44 Presiding Officer Dooling

13:21:25 Sen. Cuffe

13:21:33 Presiding Officer Dooling

WORK PLAN CONTINUED

13:24:11 Rebecca Power (see exhibit 4)
13:27:28 Presiding Officer Dooling

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

13:28:52 Presiding Officer Dooling
13:29:40 Rep. Kortum
13:30:11 Presiding Officer Dooling
13:31:43 Sen. Ellis
13:34:11 Sen. Cuffe
13:35:38 Sen. McKamey
13:36:28 Presiding Officer Dooling
13:38:09 Rep. Bertoglio
13:39:18 Presiding Officer Dooling

PUBLIC COMMENT ON DRAFT WORK PLAN

13:40:20 None

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

13:41:31 Rep. Kortum
13:42:18 Rebecca Power

MOTION

13:43:08 Rep. Kortum moved to adopt the decision matrix as proposed.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

13:43:16 Sen. Ellis
13:44:57 Sen. McKamey
13:45:25 Sen. Ellis
13:47:18 Presiding Officer Dooling
13:48:05 Sen. McKamey
13:48:30 Rep. Kortum
13:48:31 Presiding Officer Dooling
13:49:08 Sen. McKamey
13:49:39 Rebecca power
13:50:56 Lj Jennings, Secretary, LSD
13:52:09 Andria Hardin, Staff Attorney, LSD

MOTION

13:53:08 Presiding Officer Dooling moved to withdraw Amendment motion without objection.

MOTION

13:53:10 Presiding Officer Dooling moved to withdraw motion to adopt work plan without objection.

13:53:19 Rep. Kortum

13:53:36 Presiding Officer Dooling

13:55:19 Sen. Ellis

13:55:32 Rebecca Power

13:57:21 Sen. Ellis

13:58:22 Sen. McKamey

14:00:03 Sen. Mandeville

MOTION

14:00:46 Rep. Kortum moved to have emerging issues moved from option B to option A.

Discussion on the Motion

14:01:55 Presiding Officer Dooling

14:02:20 Sen. Ellis

14:05:54 Presiding Officer Dooling

14:05:59 Rep. Kortum

MOTION

14:06:12 Rep. Kortum moved to adjust Emerging Issues from .02 to .05.

Vote:

14:07:17 Carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Frazer was not present for the vote and did not leave a proxy

14:07:34 Lj Jennings

MOTION

14:07:57 Rep. Kortum moved to adopt the work plan.

Discussion on the Motion

14:08:13 Sen. Ellis

14:08:19 Rebecca Power

MOTION

14:09:13 Rep. Kortum moved to adopt the work plan.

Discussion on the Motion

14:09:13 None

MOTION

14:09:14 Rep. Kortum moved to adopt the work plan with amendment.

Discussion on the Motion

14:09:20 Rebecca Power

Vote:

14:10:26 Carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Frazer was not present for the vote and did not leave a proxy

MOTION

14:10:56 Rep. Kortum moved to adopt the work plan as amended.

Discussion on the Motion

14:10:57 None

Vote:

14:11:25 Carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Frazer was not present for the vote and did not leave a proxy

MEETING SCHEDULE

14:11:36 Rebecca Power

[EXHIBIT5](#)

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

14:12:22 Sen. McKamey
14:13:00 Presiding Officer Dooling
14:13:15 Sen. Cuffe
14:13:17 Rep. Bertoglio
14:13:26 Sen. Cuffe
14:13:41 Presiding Officer Dooling
14:14:17 Rep. Stafman
14:14:52 Sen. Mandeville
14:15:06 Presiding Officer Dooling
14:15:25 Sen. McKamey
14:16:01 Sen. Mandeville
14:16:08 Rep. Stafman
14:16:35 Rep. Bertoglio
14:17:10 Rebecca Power
14:17:38 Presiding Officer Dooling
14:18:08 Sen. McKamey

14:18:52 Sen. Ellis

MOTION

14:19:35 Sen. McKamey moved the November meeting Dates from the 14th and 15th to the 8th and 9th.

Discussion on the Motion

14:19:52 None

Vote:

14:20:08 Carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Frazer was not present for the vote and did not leave a proxy

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

14:20:45 Presiding Officer Dooling

14:21:12 Sen. Ellis

14:21:48 Presiding Officer Dooling

14:22:06 Rep. Stafman

14:22:29 Presiding Officer Dooling

14:23:08 Rep. Stafman

MOTION

14:23:49 Sen. McKamey moved to adopt the meeting schedule.

Discussion on the Motion

14:24:05 None

MOTION

14:24:17 Rep. Kortum moved to adopt the meeting schedule with amended dates.

Discussion on the Motion

14:24:43 None

Vote:

14:24:52 Carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Frazer was not present for the vote and did not leave a proxy

MOTION

14:24:58 Rep. Kortum moved to adopt the Meeting Schedule as amended.

Discussion on the Motion

14:25:13 None

Vote:

14:25:22 Carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Frazer was not present for the vote and did not leave a proxy

ADMINISTRATIVE RULE REVIEW

14:25:58 Andria Hardin

EXHIBIT6

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULE REVIEW

14:26:48 None

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

14:27:38 Presiding Officer Dooling

14:27:41 Rebecca Power

14:28:09 Sen. McKamey

RECESS

14:57:32 Reconvened

NEW TOPIC

14:57:48 Member Survey with New Results

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

14:58:18 Presiding Officer Dooling

14:58:22 Rebecca Power

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY TOPIC UNDER THE COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION

14:58:53 None

14:59:52 Presiding Officer Dooling

15:00:05 Dore Schwinden, Director, Montana Public Employee Retirement Administration, (MPERA)

15:01:07 Presiding Officer Dooling

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

15:01:31 Sen. Ellis

15:02:18 Rebecca Power

15:03:24 Presiding Officer Dooling

ADJOURNMENT

15:06:43 Rep. Dooling adjourned the meeting at 3:06