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68th Montana Legislature

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AGENDA

July 19, 2023

9:00 a.m.

State Capitol, Room 137 and Zoom

(Updated 7/18/2023)

Please note: All times are tentative

9:00 a.m.

STRC Call to Order – Roll Call

Sen. Jason Small, Acting Presiding Officer

- Opening Prayer and Welcome
- Committee and Staff Introductions

9:15 a.m.

Committee Administration

Casey Pallister, Committee Staff

- Committee duties
- Staff Roles and Responsibilities
- Rules, Procedures, and Guidelines for Interim Committees
- Compensation and Expense Reimbursement
- Legislation update

9:45 a.m.

Discussion and Adoption of Committee Rules & Election of Officers

Sen. Jason Small, Acting Presiding Officer

10:00 a.m.

U.S. Supreme Court Decisions

Laura Sankey Keip, Committee Attorney

- Overview and Significance
- Public comment
- Questions from STRC

10:30 a.m.

Break

10:45 a.m.

Governor's Office of Indian Affairs Update

Misty Kuhl, Director

- Public comment
- Questions from STRC

11:45 a.m.

Lunch

- 1:00 p.m. **Montana Missing Indigenous Persons: Updates, Past & Present Legislation**
Dana Toole, Special Services Bureau Chief, Department of Justice
- Overview
 - Public comment
 - Questions from STRC
- 1:30 p.m. **Education Changes: Indian Education for All and Montana Indian Language Preservation Program**
Laura Sankey Keip
- MT Supreme Court-- *Yellow Kidney v. Montana*
- McCall Flynn, Executive Director, Montana Board of Public Education
- Indian Education for All
- Elsie Arntzen, Superintendent of Public Instruction
- HB 287 and the Montana Indian Language Preservation Program
 - Public comment
 - Questions from STRC
- 2:15 p.m. **Break**
- 2:30 p.m. **Work Plan Discussion**
- Overview – Casey Pallister
 - Public comment
 - Questions/discussion – STRC
- 3:45 p.m. **Public comment** on any matter not contained in this agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the STRC
- 4:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

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