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Interim Budget Committee - Public Safety & Public Service Agenda

(times and content are subject to change)

September 14, 2022 – Room 317

Updated: **September 13, 2022**

8:30 Call to Order – Roll Call – Chairman Mercer

- Update on HJ 31 – Criminal Justice Data Study – Potential LJIC Approved Bill Draft – Rachel Weiss
- Agency Budget Submissions - Brent Doig, OBPP
- Snapshot to snapshot handouts – Cathy Duncan
- IBC Survey Handout – Cathy Duncan

9:30 Department of Corrections – Dir. Brian Gootkin and staff 2022 Fiscal Year End Report, Cathy Duncan

- FYE Agency Comments

Agency discussion topics:

- 1) Response to IBC Member Questions – DOC Staff and Warden of Core Civic
 - a. (see the “IBC Questions” document in the meeting materials)
 - b. Programs focused on rehabilitation, treatment, and re-entry in the Montana Prison System and at Core Civic
 - c. Overview of Core Civic contract including costs, staffing, and fines paid to DOC
- 2) Update on Movement of Clinical Staff to Public Safety
- 3) HB 693 Reporting
 - a. Q4 (through June) – (1) Utilization of Drug Treatment Beds and Payments to Contractors for Failure to Operate at 75% Capacity
 - b. Q4 (through June) – (4) Felony Defendants Remaining in County Detention for More than 10 days
 - c. Reporting by September 1, 2022
 - i. (2) Rental Voucher Program
 - ii. (3) Findings of Vocational Programming at Montana Women’s Prison
 - iii. (5) Recidivism Report: Identity, Criminal History and Correctional Institution History

10:50 Montana’s Probation and Parole Practices: Supervising According to Risk, LEG Audit – Alyssa Sorenson

OBPP Comments – Brent Doig

Public Comment – DOC topics

11:00 Public Service Commission – President Brown and staff

2022 Fiscal Year End Report, Cathy Duncan

- State Special Revenue Fund Balance – Cathy Duncan
- FYE Agency Comments

Agency discussion topics:

1) Update on REDDI Contract/Proposal

- a. Total System Costs, and Anticipated Cost Changes (maintenance contract) for the New System

2) PSC Strategic Plan 2021-2024 - Commissioner Fielder

OBPP Comments – Brent Doig

Public Comment – Public Service Commission Topics

12:00 Lunch Break

1:00 Office of Public Defender – Brett Schandelson and staff

2022 Fiscal Year End Report, Cathy Duncan

- FYE Agency Comments
- Plans for FY 2023 Following Fiscal Transfer

Agency discussion topics:

1) Update on Attorney Hiring

2) Update on Proceeding on Contempt Case and Fine

3) HB 693 Reporting

- a. By August 1, 2022 - (3) Tasks Performed by Attorneys and Non-attorneys in FY 2022 not Required by Statute or Constitutional Requirement and Time Dedicated to that work

- b. By September 1, 2022

- i. (4) Sufficiency of Funding from Title IV-E of the Social Security Act in Providing Legal Representation for Children and Parents in Child Abuse and Neglect Proceedings in FY 2022 - if Not, Expenditures from Appropriated Funds

- ii. (5) Data Needs for Measuring Agency Performance and Establishing Data-Based Performance Measurements and Targets

- iii. (6) Cases in FY 2022 that were Moved for Waiver of the Assessment and the Basis for the Motion

- iv. (7) Time Spent by Employees and Contractors in Cases Involving Defendants in Treatment Courts in the Preceding Fiscal Year for each Defendant

- v. (8) Time Spent by Employees and Contractors in cases involving Defendants in Capital Cases in FY 2022 for each Defendant

4) Update on Case Management/Time Keeping System – Unlocked Q4 Funding

OBPP Comments – Brent Doig

Public Comment – Office of Public Defender Topics

- 2:15 Department of Justice – Will Selph and staff
2022 Fiscal Year End Report, Cathy Duncan
- State Special Revenue Fund Balances
 - FYE Agency Comments
 - FY 2023 MERLIN Replacement Budget Amendment, Total System Costs, and Anticipated Cost Changes (maintenance contract) for the New System

Agency discussion topics:

- 1) Reporting Requirements for Children’s Advocacy Centers
- 2) Motor Vehicle Division COVID-19 Updates
 - a. Backlog progression
 - b. Wait time metrics
- 3) Update on FAST Enterprises Contract
- 4) HB 693 Reporting by September 1, 2022
 - a. (2) Human Trafficking Investigations and Prosecutions in FY 2021 and FY 2022
 - b. (3) Referrals to Internet Crimes Against Children and Investigations in FY 2021 and FY 2022
 - c. (4) Number of Sexual Assault Kits Evaluated in FY 2022 and Remaining Work to Eliminate Backlogs
 - d. (5) Conviction Expungements Since May 2021
- 5) HJ 29 – Study Report – Cathy Duncan and Natalia Bowser
 - i. IBC Discussion and Public Comment
 - ii. IBC Action on Study Report

OBPP Comments – Brent Doig

Public Comment – Department of Justice Topics

- 3:45 Judicial Branch – Beth McLaughlin and staff
2022 Fiscal Year End Report, Cathy Duncan
- State Special Revenue Fund Balances
 - FYE Agency Comments

Agency discussion topics:

- 1) HB 693 and ARPA Reporting
- 2) Drug Court Issues

OBPP Comments – Brent Doig

Public Comment – Judicial Branch Topics

5:00 Adjourn