

# 68<sup>th</sup> LEGISLATIVE SESSION - 2023

## JUDICIAL BRANCH, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND JUSTICE

### APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

As of *February 1, 2023*

Representative, Bill Mercer, Chairman  
 Representative Michele Binkley  
 Representative Emma Kerr-Carpenter  
 Representative Fiona Nave

Senator Tom McGillvray, Vice-chairman  
 Senator Ryan Lynch  
 Senator Shelley Vance

**Room:** 317A & via Zoom teleconference

**Standard Time:** 8:00AM – 11:00 Monday—Friday

**Clerk:**

Macy McCauley (Ext. 4846)

**LFD Staff:**

Cathy Duncan (Ext. 4580)  
 Walker Hopkins (Ext. 1783)

**OBPP Representatives:**

Brent Doig (Ext. 3110)

**\*\* Agency Under This Subcommittee – Executive Action Noted \*\***

Judicial Branch

Department of Justice  
 Public Service Regulation

Office of Public Defender  
 Department of Corrections

**Except as noted, this schedule deals with hearings and executive action on HB 2**

**Schedule items are approximate. Schedules for executive action are noted.**

**Some items may take more or less time than allotted and the overall schedule is subject to change.**

**Check this schedule often for the latest updates.**

L Day	Weekday	Date	Tentative Schedule	Topic / Agency	LFD Analyst	
1	Mon	01/02	No subcommittee today			
2	Tues	01/03	<b>House Appropriations and Senate Finance &amp; Claims—Governor Gianforte’s HB 2 Budget</b>			
3	Wed	01/04	<b>8:30 a.m. Departure Time</b> – Judge Menahan’s Law and Motions / L&C County Courthouse starting at 9:00			
4	Thur	01/05	8:00 – Field Trip - Community Corrections – Elkhorn or Helena Pre-release Center			
5	Fri	01/06	8:00 - Subcommittee organization, use of proxies / <b>Executive Action starting point</b>			
	Sat	01/07	Field Trip-DOC –Deer Lodge -Montana State Prison			
6	Mon	01/09	<b>Hearing</b> – Office of the Public Defender, Public Comment			Cathy Duncan
7	Tues	01/10	<b>Hearing</b> – Office of the Public Defender, Public Comment			Cathy Duncan
8	Wed	01/11	<b>Hearing</b> – Office of the Public Defender, Public Comment			Cathy Duncan
9	Thur	01/12	Subcommittee work session – Office of Public Defender			Cathy Duncan
10	Fri	01/13	<b>Hearing</b> – Public Service Commission, Public Comment			Cathy Duncan
11	Mon	01/16	No Subcommittee			
12	Tues	01/17	<del><b>Hearing</b> – Public Service Commission, Public Comment</del> <b>Cancelled</b> – Work Session <b>3:30 p.m. Departure Time</b> - L&C County Courthouse Drug Court Graduation starting at 4:00			Cathy Duncan
13	Wed	01/18	<b>Hearing</b> –Judicial Branch, Public Comment			Walker Hopkins
14	Thur	01/19	<b>Hearing</b> –Judicial Branch, Public Comment			Walker Hopkins
15	Fri	01/20	<b>Hearing</b> –Judicial Branch, Public Comment			Walker Hopkins
	Sat	01/21	Field Trip-Core Civic –Shelby (detail to follow)			
16	Mon	01/23	<b>Hearing</b> – Department of Corrections; Public Comment			Walker Hopkins
17	Tues	01/24	<b>Hearing</b> – Department of Corrections; Public Comment			Walker Hopkins
18	Wed	01/25	<b>Hearing</b> – Department of Corrections; Public Comment			Walker Hopkins
19	Thur	01/26	<b>Hearing</b> – Department of Corrections; Public Comment			Cathy Duncan
20	Fri	01/27	<b>9:00 Hearing</b> – Department of Corrections; Public Comment-Work Session			Cathy Duncan
21	Mon	01/30	Work Session			
22	Tues	01/31	<b>Hearing</b> – HB 5 Joint Meeting with Sec. F Subcommittee – DOC			Cathy Duncan
23	Wed	02/01	<b>9:00 - Hearing</b> – Department of Justice; Public Comment			Cathy Duncan
24	Thur	02/02	<b>Hearing</b> – Department of Justice; Public Comment			Cathy Duncan
25	Fri	02/03	<b>Hearing</b> – Department of Justice; Public Comment			Cathy Duncan
26	Mon	02/06	<b>Hearing</b> – Department of Justice; Public Comment			Cathy Duncan
27	Tues	02/07	<b>Hearing</b> – Department of Justice; Public Comment			Cathy Duncan
28	Wed	02/08	Work Session			

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29	Thur	02/09	No Subcommittee	
30	Fri	02/10	No Subcommittee	
31	Mon	02/13	No Subcommittee	
32	Tues	02/14	<b><u>Executive Action</u></b> —All Sec. D Agencies	
33	Wed	02/15	<b><u>Executive Action – Continued as Needed</u></b>	
34	Thur	02/16	Subcommittee wrap up as needed	
35	Fri	02/17	Companion Bill Discussions / as needed	
36	Mon	02/20	Companion Bill Discussions / as needed	
37	Tues	02/21	Companion Bill Discussions / as needed	
38	Wed	02/22	Companion Bill Discussions / as needed	
39	Thur	02/23	Companion Bill Discussions / as needed	
40	Fri	02/24	Companion Bill Discussions / as needed	
45	Thur	03/03	<b>Transmittal Day for General Bills</b>	

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