

LFC WORK PLAN DRAFT IDEAS

INTERIM BUDGET COMMITTEES

1. Standard agenda
 - HB 330 Efficiency study – agencies reporting
 - Quarterly report
 - Regular budget
 - Personal services
 - American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) detailed spending
 - IT Projects
2. Coordination with interim committees
3. Specific goals by section:

Section A – ITSD overall & SITSD enterprise rates deep dive

Section B

4. CSCT monitoring (school mental health OPI interaction)
5. Medicaid model update
6. Quarterly reports will integrate Medicaid Monitoring
7. DPHHS data warehouse MPATH use and integration of data
8. Monitor interim studies:
 - SJ 14: Study mental health system (CFHHS)
 - HJ 35: Study children's mental health system (CFHHS)
 - HJ 39: Study involuntary commitment of people with Alzheimer's/dementia (CFHHS)
 - SJ 35: Study DPHHS procurement practices (SAVA)

Section C

- Monitor Good Neighbor Authority
- Wolf program updates/monitoring
- Updates and/or interaction with Environmental Quality Council
- Fire fund status updates
- Monitor HJ 6: Study natural resources trust fund (RIC)
- Monitor HJ 27: Study funding of conservation districts (EQC)
- Monitor federal coronavirus stimulus appropriations provided in CARES Act II (HB 630) and American Rescue Plan Act (HB 632) for transportation infrastructure and contractor payments

Section D

- Corrections data
- Updates and/or interaction with Criminal Justice Oversight Council and/or Law and Justice Interim Committee
- COVID impacts on caseloads and backlog for Judicial, OPD, & Corrections

- Monitor interim study bills:
 - HJ 31: Study of criminal justice system data in Montana (LJIC)
 - HJ 40: Judicial standards commission study and audit request (LJIC)
 - HJ 34: Study pretrial and presentence diversion programs (CJOC)
 - HJ 29: Study of victim services and funding in Montana (LJIC)

Section E

HB 671 suggested to complete studies in the following areas:

- Indian language preservation
- Montana digital academy
- Funding for K-12 enrollment increases

Section F

Specific interest is expected in the American Rescue Plan Act implementation and the current federal proposed funding for infrastructure legislation

Modernization and Risk Assessment Committee (MARA) work plan

The committee will continue some of the work began in the 2021 interim but interrupted due to COVID. In addition, staff will prepare, compile, and analyze new data sets, and provide additional research at the direction of the committee. Please see the [website](#) for a more in-depth discussion of the MARA work plan.

HB 330 Dynamic Fiscal note study

LFC will direct the study of the use of fiscal notes in other states and their potential use in Montana. The legislative fiscal division will prepare a report of the study and any recommendations for the June 2022 meeting.

Track the American Rescue Plan Act

July 1 or 2 Zoom meeting will include a presentation by the Office of Budget and Program Planning on the updated federal guidance for ARPA use.

Detailed spending of ARPA and other coronavirus stimulus appropriations will be included in the quarterly financial reports presented to the Interim Budget Committees.

Pensions

- Standard reports from the systems
- SAVA HJ 8 study with LFC membership update