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## TENTATIVE MEETING AGENDA Tuesday, November 16, 2004 1 p.m. Room 152, State Capitol

- I. Call to order and roll call -- Representative Kim Gillan, Chair
- II. Introduction of new staff -- Lois Menzies, Executive Director, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
- III. Approval of minutes of September 16 and 17, 2004, meeting (action item)
- IV. Update on Law School For Legislators -- Charles Wood, Montana Bar Association and Lisa Mecklenberg Jackson, Legislative Librarian, LSD
- V. Legislative Intern Program (action item)
  - A. Description of program -- Lois Menzies
  - B. Funding -- Sheila Stearns, Commissioner of Higher Education
  - C. Designation of interns and appointment of sponsors -- Council members
- VI. Consultation on proposed property transfer to the City of Whitefish
  - Review of proposed property transfer -- Department of Natural Resources and Conservation staff
  - B. Comment from Council members
- VII. 2007 biennium revenue outlook -- Terry Johnson, Principal Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Fiscal Division
- VIII. Recent court challenges to state statutes -- Greg Petesch, Code Commissioner, LSD

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- IX. Approval of 2005 Montana Code Annotated prices -- Greg Petesch (action item)
- X. Selection of sponsors for Legislative Council legislation (action item)
  - A. LC 66: Code Commissioner bill
  - B. LC 70: Legislative Branch reserve account for major IT projects
  - C. LC 71: Revise statewide IT project budget summary
  - D. LC 460: Restrict liability of heath care provider for ostensible agency
  - E. LC 461: Limit health care provider liability for other person's act or omission
  - F. LC 462: Restrict damages for reduced chance of patient's recovery
  - G. LC 463: Restrict evidence of expressions of sympathy
- XI. Reconsideration of Legislative Council's action on expert witness qualifications draft legislation as recommended by the SJR 32 Subcommittee on Medical Liability Insurance -- Rep. Gillan
- XII. Staff updates -- Lois Menzies
  - A. Legislative rules workshop and new legislator orientation
  - B. 2005 session pilot project: audio minutes
  - C. 2005 session pilot project: interactive video
  - D. America's Legislators Back to School Week
- XIII. Public comment on any other public matter within the Legislative Council's jurisdiction
- XIV. Other business and direction to staff
- XV. Report from Management Advisory Subcommittee (action item)
- XVI. Farewell to "retiring" Council members
- XVII. Adjourn

## Notes:

The 2003-2004 Legislative Council photograph will be taken at 2 p.m.

The next Legislative Council meeting will be an organizational meeting during the 2005 session.