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as of Jan. 14, 2012

Economic Affairs Interim Committee
January 19-20, 2012 Room 137, State Capitol

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January 19 Agenda

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order. Roll Call. **Committee Action** on Minutes from October 2011 meeting
Review Agenda - Rep. Berry/Pat
- 9:10 a.m. Public Comment on any issue under the Committee's purview
- 9:20 a.m. Department of Labor and Industry - Employment Relations Division Overview
Diana Ferriter, acting administrator and Work Comp Claims Bureau; Tonya McCormack,
Labor Standards Bureau; Bryan Page, Safety Bureau; Marieke Beck, Human Rights Bureau
- Panel Discussion of Workplace Safety
Thom Danenhower, Montana Municipal Interlocal Authority and WorkSafe MT Representative
Bryan Page, ERD Safety Bureau Chief
Ross Yeager, Occupational and Safety Health Administration representative
Curt Petty, Mine Safety and Health Administration representative
- 10:45 a.m. Panel Discussion of Funding For Volunteer Firefighters Work Comp
Harold Blattie, Montana Association of Counties, Leonard Lundby, legislative liaison for the
Montana Fire Alliance, and Bruce Spencer, representing Property Casualty Insurers of America
Public Comment on Funding for Volunteer Firefighters Work Comp
Committee action possible regarding further research or bill draft.
- Noon Lunch
- 1:05 p.m. Panel Discussion on Work Comp Reforms and Expectations by Plan 1 and Plan 2 Insurers
Lance Zanto, Department of Administration Work Comp Bureau; Rick Clark, Plum Creek
(Plan 1), Marv Jordan, Montana Contractors Comp Fund (Plan 1), Mike Marsh, third-party
administrator (TPA) for Plan 1 firms, and Larry Jones, Liberty Northwest (Plan 2)
- Public Comment on Work Comp Reforms/Expectations
- 2:15 p.m. Public Comment on the Board of Public Accountants
Board Representatives: Jack Meyer, board chair, and Rick Reisig
- HB525 Review of the Board of Public Accountants, followed by **Committee action** on
board necessity
- 3:15 p.m. Public Comment on the Board of Outfitters
Board Representative: Lee Kinsey
- HB525 Review of the Board of Outfitters, followed by **Committee action** on board necessity

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- 4:15 p.m. Montana Facility Finance Authority - Monitoring Review
 -- Michelle Barstad, executive director
- 4:45 p.m. Updates by Committee members of Montana State Fund, Board of Investment meetings
- 5:00 p.m. Recess until Jan. 20

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January 20 Agenda

- 9:00 a.m. Reconvene - Call to Order
- 9:05 a.m. Montana Noxious Weed Management Advisory Council HB 142 Review
Jack Eddie and Margie Edsall, Council members.
- 9:20 a.m. Montana Noxious Weed Seed Free Forage Advisory Council HB 142 Review
Michelle Miller and James Melin, Council members
- 9:35 a.m. Organic Commodity Advisory Council HB 142 Review - Greg Thayer
- 9:50 a.m. Panel Discussion Regarding Unlicensed Practice/Restraint of Trade/Fees /Safety Determinations
Deb Kimmert and Susan Good Giese
- Public Comment Related to Unlicensed Practice/Restraint of Trade/Fees and Safety Issues
- 10:50 a.m. Revisit to Board of Dentistry and Board of Funeral Service Concerns
Comments (5 minutes each) from: Board of Dentistry
Montana Dental Association
Montana Dental Hygienists Association
Montana Denturist Association
- Public Comments (15 minutes total) for Board of Funeral Service Concerns
- Committee action** on whether to have one or more committee bills for revising boards
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:15 p.m. Public Comment on Board of Nursing
- HB525 Review of Board of Nursing
Board Representative(s): Kathy Hayden, board president, Heather O'Hara, Brenda Schye
- Committee action** on board necessity
- 2:15 p.m. Public Comment on Board of Optometry
- HB525 Review of Board of Optometry
Board Representatives: Rock Svennungsen, board president, Douglas Kimball, Randall Hoch,
Peter Fontana
- Committee action** on board necessity



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3:15 p.m. Rule Review - Bart Campbell, staff attorney

3:20 p.m. Public comment on any other issue under the committee's purview.
Staff Review of Emerging Issues. Directions to staff. Adjourn.

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