



State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee

62nd Montana Legislature

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AGENDA

(as of 8/7/12)

DAY 1- Wednesday, August 8, 2012

Room 137, Capitol Building, Helena

Please note: all times are approximate

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- 9:00 a.m.
1. Welcome and Roll Call - Rep. Ingraham, Presiding Officer
 2. **Action Item:** Adoption of minutes from June 11-12, 2012, meeting
 3. Overview of agenda & meeting materials - **Sheri Scurr**, legislative research analyst
- 9:15 a.m.
4. Montana State Veterans' Homes
 - a. Briefing on Legislative Audit 12P-03 - **Ross Johnson**, Legislative Auditor
 - b. Public comment
 - c. Committee questions
 - d. **Action Item:** Does the committee wish any additional information or wish to take any action concerning the veterans' homes?
- 10:00 a.m.
5. Montana Veterans' Affairs Division
 - a. Staff review - **Sheri Scurr**
 - b. Biennial Report - suggested statutory changes - **Joe Foster**, MVAD Administrator
 - c. Public comment
 - d. Committee questions
 - e. **Action Item:** Does SAVA want additional information or to request a committee bill on this? (If a bill is requested, need sponsor to work with staff.)
- 10:30 a.m.
6. State Employee Health Clinic
 - a. Questions from the committee on written response to Sen. Arthun's question about what happens after the 3-year contract is up? Will it be re-bid and how will the new bid be scored? - **Sheryl Olson and Russ Hill**, Department of Administration
 - b. LCsa03 - a bill to require that expenditures from the state health care reserve fund be subject to appropriation (*Lewis request*)
- **Sheri Scurr**, legislative research analyst
 - c. Public comment
 - d. Committee questions
 - e. **Action Items:**
 - (i) Does SAVA want any additional information on the State Employee Health Clinic?
 - (ii) Does SAVA approve LCsa03 for introduction to the 2013 Session as a committee bill? (assignment of sponsor)

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- 11:30 a.m. 7. Department of Administration request for authorization to have an additional agency bill drafted for pre-introduction
- a. Overview by the department
 - b. Public comment
 - c. Committee questions
 - d. **Action Item:** *Does SAVA authorize this bill for drafting?*
- 12:00 noon LUNCH
- 1:00 p.m. 8. Report of the Joint Subcommittee on Governor's Pension Proposal
- a. Report by **Sen. Jent** and **Sen. Arthun**
 - b. Committee questions and discussion
- 1:30 p.m. 9. Pre-session screening of non-agency pension proposals
- a. Staff review of committee process - **Sheri Scurr**
 - b. Hearing on each proposal with following procedure
 - (i) Staff review, **Sheri Scurr**
 - (ii) Sponsor and proponents
 - (iii) Opponents
 - (iv) Committee questions
 - (v) **Discussion/Action Item:** *What particular issues or concerns would you like addressed in a staff analysis and the draft committee report for the November meeting?*
- 4:00 p.m. 10. Parameters on introduction of pension legislation
- a. Staff review - **David Niss**
 - b. Public comment
 - c. Committee questions
 - d. **Discussion/Action Item:** *Does the committee want a committee bill to prohibit the introduction of legislation affecting the public pension plans without pre-session review by SAVA?*
- 4:30 p.m. 12. Information item: statutes governing rules by the Board of Pardons and Parole
- ▶ Committee questions on memorandum by **David Niss**
- 4:40 p.m. 13. General public comment on any items not on the agenda and under the committee's jurisdiction
- 5:00 p.m. 14. Recess until 8:00 a.m., Friday, August 9, 2012