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The following are ELG's statutory duties.									
Review Administrative Rules (1)	Statute 5-5-215		 ✓ All of Option "C"+ ✓ Standing agenda item for staff attorney to review memos 	✓Staff attorney provides memos summarizing proposed rules of assigned agencies (Members to inform staff of topics of interest)	Members can always request more info/analysis on particular rules or areas of interest				
Review Advisory Councils and Reports (1)	Statute 5-5-215		✓ All of Option "C"+ ✓ Committee requests report from all, or selected, advisory councils and entities responsible for reports	✓ Staff provides summary of advisory councils and required reports for Committee review ✓ Potential legislation	2011-12 ELG reviewed				
Review agency/entity legislation (1)	Statute 5-5-224		✓ Committee reviews proposals from assigned agencies and entities and decides if staff should draft legislation for preintroduction		Level of intensity determined by amount of agency-proposed legislation and committee direction June 2014 meeting				
Monitor agency/entity operation (3)	Statute 5-5-24	✓ Committee directs staff to provide regular updates on programs as a standing agenda item	✓ Committee directs staff to provide regular updates on a limited number of programs as a standing agenda item	✓ Staff monitors aspects of programs as directed by the Committee; reports back to Committee					
Review adoption or amendment of accreditation standards (5)	Statute 20-7-101	✓ Committee reviews process related to 20-7-101 ✓ Discussions with BPE and OPI ✓ Potential legislation	✓ If any adoption or amendment of accreditation standards is proposed, time will be set aside on an agenda to hear a report and LFD will be asked to provide a fiscal analysis						
Review report of Historic Preservation Officer (6)	Statute 22-3-423			✓ Committee hears biennial report from state Historic Preservation Officer on heritage properties	September 2014 meeting				
Review any sand and gravel investigation reports (6)	Statute 82-2-701			✓ If any sand and gravel investigation is initiated, time will be set aside on an agenda to hear a report					
Review report on Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (7)	Chapter 321, Laws of 2013 (SB 203)		 ✓ All of Option "C"+ ✓ Additional, earlier report from appointed compact commissioner on implementation efforts 	✓ Committee hears report regarding Montana's participation in the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children	June 2014 meeting (representatives of Helena and Great Falls school districts and military designee of Adjutant General)				
The following study was assigned to ELG by Legislative Council.									
Investigate state and local government electronic records management (7)	HJR 2		✓ All of Option "C"+ ✓ Investigate and analyze strategies for electronic records management utilized by other states and the private sector ✓ Panel discussion from multiple stakeholders Deliverables: ✓ White paper ✓ Final report with recommendations and alternatives ✓ Potential legislation	✓ Review the work of 2011-2012 Select Committee on Efficiency in Government related to this topic ✓ Panel discussion from representatives of local governments and the Office of the Secretary of State ✓ Review statutes and rules governing electronic records mangement Deliverables: ✓ Final report with recommendations and alternatives ✓ Potential legislation					

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Follow implementation of SB 175 (school funding)	Revision to school funding formula enacted		✓ Option "C" + ✓ Panel discussion with officials from various districts and stakeholders	✓ Presentation from OPI on implementation and impacts on various school districts					
Revisit K-12, K-20, and MUS shared policy goals	Rec'd by 2011-12 ELG	✓ Form subcommittee for multiple meetings to work with OPI, BPE, and MUS to completely redraft	✓ Form subcommittee for one-time meeting to work with OPI, BPE, and MUS to revise accountability measures	✓ Request input from OPI, BPE, MUS and determine whether to reaffirm, amend, or not	Shared policy goals created by HJR 6 and SJR 8 (2009) Subcommittee costs need to be considered				
Update from MUS on increasing completion rates	SJR 13		✓ Request periodic updates from MUS as study progresses	✓ Request report from MUS after completion of study					
Education Emerging Issues					If issues arise, the committee can decide to adjust work plan to include				
Other possibilities: School funding training	20-9-309								
Digital Academy	Growth								
Elementary district expansion to K-12	2013 bills								
K-12 Data Task Force	New (SB 175)								
OPI reports on American Indian and at-risk student achievement	SB 2 20-9-328 20-9-330				Could request for September 2014 meeting				
Indian Language Preservation	SB 342								
Quality SchoolsFacility Grant Program	2013 bills								
Charter Schools	2013 bills								
The following staff-suggested, local government topics are <u>optional</u> and it is up to ELG committee members to determine whether/how much time to spend on them.									
Follow implementation of SB 324 (subdivision for lease or rent laws)	New procedure enacted	✓ Option "B" + ✓ Ongoing discussions on implementation statewide	✓ Option "C" + ✓ Panel discussion with local government representatives, private property owners, and others to discuss implementation	✓ Presentation from MACo and CTAP on model subdivision regulations					
Monitor infrastructure work in oil impact areas									
Cities and Towns Emerging Issues					If issues arise, the committee can decide to adjust work plan to include				
Counties Emerging Issues					If issues arise, the committee can decide to adjust work plan to include				
Other possibilities: SJR 14 monitoring									