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AGENDA (Updated 9/2/2014)

September 3, 2014
8:00 a.m.
State Capitol, Room 102

Please note: All times are tentative. Some items may take more or less time than scheduled.

- 8:00 a.m. Call to Order -- Roll Call -- Representative Margie MacDonald, Presiding Officer
- 8:05 a.m. Agency Oversight: Agency Legislative Proposals
- Office of the Public Defender
 - Public comment
 - Questions from the committee
 - *Action Item:* Authorize drafting of agency proposal(s)
- 8:20 a.m. Agency Oversight: Domestic Violence Fatality Review Commission Update
- Matthew Dale, Executive Director, Office of Victims Services, DOJ
 - Public comment
 - Questions from the committee
- 9:00 a.m. SJ 3 Study: Review of Preliminary Bill Drafts Requested at June Meeting
- Staff explanation of drafts
 - LCIj94 -- Clarify that the governor may change parole board presiding officer (Weiss)
 - LCIj93 -- Generally revise laws relating to parole board presiding officer (Weiss)
 - LCIj92/LCIj92B -- Increase the size of the parole board (Weiss)
 - LCIj91 -- Prohibit parole board from requiring treatment or programming if not required by the sentencing judge (Burkhardt)
 - LCIj90 -- Revise executive clemency laws (Burkhardt)
 - Questions from the committee
 - Public comment
- 10:00 a.m. BREAK

- 10:15 a.m. SJ 3 Study: Public Comment on Committee Bill and Preliminary Bill Drafts Forwarded from June Meeting
- Staff explanation of drafts (if needed)
 - [LCIj98](#) (LC301) -- Revise MAPA provisions related to the parole board
 - [LCIj97](#) -- Require parole hearings to be recorded
 - [LCIj97B](#) -- Require parole hearings to be video recorded
 - [LCIj95](#) -- Revise parole criteria
 - Questions from the committee
 - Comments from Mark Mountaintes, Board consultant on video recording parole hearings
 - Public comment
- 10:45 a.m. *Action Item:* Committee discussion, selection of SJ3 committee bills (if any), assign sponsors
- 11:30 a.m. Committee Issue: Review of Re-entry Preliminary Bill Drafts
- Staff explanation of drafts
 - [LCIj51](#) -- revise laws relating to housing for offenders
 - [LCIj52](#) -- revise laws relating to inmate workers and re-entry costs
 - Questions from the committee
 - Public comment
 - *Action item:* Committee discussion, selection of committee bills, assign sponsors
- Noon LUNCH
- 1:00 p.m. Committee Issue: Review of Study Bill and Request for Legislative Audit Related to DOC Oversight of Shelby Prison
- Staff explanation
 - [LCIj50](#) -- study resolution
 - LJC draft letter to Legislative Audit Committee
 - Questions from the committee
 - Public comment
 - *Action item:* Committee discussion and action on study and letter, assign sponsor
- 1:45 p.m. SJ 22: Review of Committee Bills and Preliminary Drafts
- Staff review of committee bills
 - [LCIj03](#) (LC0227) -- Allow husband to restore original name as part of dissolution filing
 - [LCIj04](#) (LC0228) -- Clarify who must move to amend parenting plan when one parent relocates
 - Review of preliminary drafts on which no decision was made in June

- Questions from the committee
 - Public comment
 - *Action item*: Committee discussion, selection of any additional committee bills, assign sponsors
- 2:00 p.m. Committee Issue: HJ 16 Final Update
- Rachel Weiss, Research Analyst
 - Public comment
 - Questions from the committee
- 2:30 p.m. Agency Oversight: Department of Corrections Update
- Public comment
 - Questions from the committee
- 2:45 p.m. Break
- 3:00 p.m. Agency Oversight: Administrative Rule Review and Review of Advisory Councils and Required Reports
- Julianne Burkhardt, Staff Attorney
 - Rachel Weiss
 - Public comment
 - *Action item*: Committee discussion, recommendations (if any) on required reports and advisory councils
- 3:30 p.m. HJR 30 Update (veterans benefits)
- Casey Barrs, Research Analyst
 - Public comment
 - Questions from the committee
- 3:45 p.m. Public comment on any item within LJIC jurisdiction but not on this agenda
- 4:00 p.m. Final committee directions (*possible action item*)
Adjourn

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