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AGENDA

as of 12/10/13

Meeting #4 - Tuesday, December 10, 2013

Room 152, Capitol Bldg., Helena

Please note: all times are approximate

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- 9:00 a.m. 1. Call to order, **Sen. Dee Brown**, Presiding Officer
Roll call
Review of meeting materials, **Ms. Sheri Scurr**, staff research analyst
- 9:05 2. HJR 1 - Study of Office of Commissioner of Political Practices
- a. Staff reports, **Ms. Scurr**
- ▶ Process, Power, and People: How Complaints are Handled by the Office of Commissioner of Political Practices
 - ▶ 50-state survey results
- 9:30 b. Round table discussion, **Sen. Dee Brown**, Chairwoman, to moderate
- ▶ Steve Brown, former Democratic State Senator from Helena, 1979-1983
 - ▶ Johnathan Motl, current Commissioner of Political Practices
 - ▶ Linda Vaughey, former Commissioner of Political Practices, 1999-2004
 - ▶ Chris Gallus, attorney, campaign consultant
 - ▶ Chuck Denowh, Montana Group, former Exec. Dir. of Republican Party
 - ▶ Lorna Kuney, campaign manager/communications consultant
 - ▶ Tim Warner, campaign manager/communications consultant
- 11:30 c. Public comment on HJR 1 Study
- 12:00 noon LUNCH
- 1:00 p.m. 3. Pension Oversight
- a. Staff report, **Ms. Scurr**
- ▶ Update on TRS, MPERA, and Board of Investments meetings
 - ▶ Research on Return on Investments assumption (Sen. Lewis Info. Request)
 - ▶ Review of the Actuarial Standard No. 27 on determining the ROI
- 1:30 b. Staff report, **Ms. Aldrich**, staff attorney
- ▶ Update on lawsuits concerning reductions in the GABA
 - ▶ Briefing on Detroit bankruptcy and pension plan implications
- 1:45 c. Public comment on Pension Oversight

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- 2:00 4. Informational Briefing on Veteran Courts, **Jeff Kushner**
- 2:30 5. Rule Review Activity, **Ms. Aldrich**
- 2:35 6. General public comment on matters under SAVA's jurisdiction and not on this agenda
- 2:50 7. Work Session - **Sen. Dee Brown**
- ▶ Next steps for the HJR 1 study - problem identification, options, and requests for more research
 - ▶ SJR 14 election study subcommittee update - **Rep. Bryce Bennett**
- 3:30 Next meeting, Feb. 6 - instructions to staff
Adjournment

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