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## State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee

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### AGENDA

as of 2/4/14

#### **Meeting #5 - Thursday, Feb. 6, 2014**

Room 102, Capitol Bldg., Helena

*Please note: all times are approximate*

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- 10:00 a.m.      1. Call to order, **Sen. Dee Brown**, Presiding Officer  
Roll call
- 10:05            2. HJR 1 - Study of Office of Commissioner of Political Practices
- a. **Ms. Scurr** - Legislative Research Analyst, additional 50-state survey results
- b. **Ms. Scurr** - Summary of ideas raised at Dec.10 meeting
- c. **Ms. Ginger Aldrich** - Legislative Attorney, legal memo on confirmation of interim appointments of Commissioner of Political Practices
- 10:45            d. **Mr. Jonathan Motl** - Commissioner of Political Practices
- response to Dec. 10 request on time spent on incomplete basic information on disclosure reports
- supplemental response to Dec. 10 request for comparison of time spent on small and large tasks in the office
- response to Feb. 2 request for information from Chairwoman Brown on various aspect of the COPP's costs and caseload
- 11:30            e. Public comment on HJR 1 Study
- 12:00 noon      LUNCH
- 1:00 p.m.      3. Veteran information
- a. **Ms. Scurr** - overview of available data about Montana's veteran population
- b. **Mr. Joe Foster** - Administrator, Montana Veterans' Affairs Division (MVAD), services provided by MVAD, what veterans' service officers do, office locations, and contact information for further information

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- 1:30            4. Pension Oversight
- a. **Ms. Scurr** - Overview on history of Plan Choice Rate (PCR)
- b. **Ms. Scurr** - Examination of how the actuarial investment rate of return assumption is set
- 2:00            5. **Rep. Bryce Bennett** - Update on SJR 14 Subcommittee on Elections
- 2:15            6. **Ms. Aldrich** - Administrative rule review activity
- 2:30            7. General public comment on any matter under the committee's jurisdiction
- 2:45            8. **Sen. Dee Brown** - Work Session
- Next steps for the HJR 1 study
- Does SAVA want a clean-up bill to amend or take out unconstitutional campaign practices statutes off the books? (**Ms. Aldrich**)
- Other issues?
- Instructions to staff
- 3:00            Next meeting, April 8  
                  Adjournment

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