

APPENDIX C: STUDY PLANS

HJR 17: Prescription Drug Pricing

HJR 17 asked for a study of prescription drug pricing and its effects on Montanans. The Committee decided to limit its involvement in the study unless preliminary information showed that the state could take a larger role in this area. The table below shows the study activities listed in the resolution and the Committee's decisions related to the tasks it will undertake and the amount of time it will devote to each activity. It also shows the sources of the information that will be presented to the Committee.

Study Task	Sources of Information	Meeting Date	Committee Time
(1) Review price changes for prescription drugs over the past 10 years, including specific groups or types of drugs as identified by the committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff research • Presentation(s): Stakeholders 	September 2017	.75 hours
(2) Review factors related to the price changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff Research • Presentation: State Auditor's Office, other stakeholders 	November 2017	1.5 hours
(3) Review the cost of prescription drugs to the Medicaid program, Healthy Montana Kids Plan, and public employee group benefit plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panel: DPHHS, Department of Administration, University System 	September 2017	.75 hours
(4) Review efforts in other states and in Congress to control the cost of prescription drugs or obtain more information about drug pricing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff research • Panel: Legislation in Other States (if requested) 	September and November 2017	1.5 hours
(5) Review information, make recommendations, develop legislation as necessary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee members 		
(6) Review draft final report and approve final report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee members 	May and June 2018	.5 hours
		Total	5 hours