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AGENDA

November 5, 2025
State Capitol, Room 137 and Zoom

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9:00 a.m. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
Chair Jodee Etchart

9:05 a.m. **1. HJ 26: Judicial Perspectives on Guardianship and Conservatorship in Montana**
Hon. Greg Pinski (Ret.)

- Presentation
- Public comment* on guardianship and conservatorship in Montana
- Committee discussion and questions

10:00 a.m. **2. Agency Oversight: Department of Public Health and Human Services**
Charlie Brereton, Director

- Department presentation
- Public comment* on department presentation
- Committee discussion and questions

11:45 a.m. **3. SJ 37: Barriers to Mental Health Providers Serving Montanans**
Jeff Folsom, LCSW

- Presentation
- Public comment* on barriers to mental health service providers
- Committee discussions and questions

12:45 p.m. 4. **Public comment*** on any matter within the scope of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee that is not on this agenda.

1:00 p.m. **Lunch**

2:00 p.m. **5. Agency Oversight: Administrative Rule Review**
Emily McKay, Staff Attorney

- Presentation
- Public comment* on administrative rule review
- Committee discussion and questions

2:30 p.m. **6. SJ 48: Overview of Cannabis Regulation by the Montana Department of Revenue**
Kristan Barbour, Cannabis and Alcohol Regulation Division Administrator
Kathy Wiegand-Palmer, Cannabis Laboratory Program Manager

- Presentation
- Public comment* on cannabis regulation in the state
- Committee discussions and questions

4:00 p.m. **Break**

4:15 p.m. **7. SJ 13: EMS and Liability**
Emily McKay, Staff Attorney

- Presentation
- Public comment* on EMS and liability
- Committee discussions and questions

4:45 p.m. **8. Committee Work Session**
Chair Etchart

- Forthcoming agenda topics – Ms. Allen
  - January 13
  - March 9 and 10
- Direction to staff RE: staff research products

5:30 p.m. **Adjourn**
Next meeting: January 13, 2026

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