

PAST PRESIDING OFFICERS

LAW AND JUSTICE INTERIM COMMITTEE

5-5-213, MCA. Officers of interim committees. Each interim committee shall elect its presiding officer and vice presiding officer from among its members. The officers may not be members of the same political party.

<u>Interim</u>	<u>Presiding Officer</u>	<u>Vice-Presiding</u>
1999-2000	Sen. Lorents Grosfield (R)	Rep. Carol Juneau (D)
2001-2002	Rep. Gail Gutsche (D)	Sen. Duane Grimes (R)
2003-2004	Sen. Duane Grimes (R)	Rep. John Parker (D)
2005-2006	Rep. John Parker (D)	Sen. Dan McGee (R)
2007-2008	Sen. Dan McGee (R)	Rep. Shannon Augare (D)
2009-2010	Rep. Shannon Augare (D)	Rep. Ron Stoker (R)
2011-2012	Sen. Jim Shockley (R)	Rep. Mike Menahan (D)
2013-2014	Rep. Margie MacDonald (D)	Sen. Terry Murphy (R)
2015-2016	Sen. Scott Sales (R)	Sen. Diane Sands (D)
2017-2018	Sen. Diane Sands (D)	Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)
2019-2020	Rep. Barry Usher (R)	Sen. Jen Gross (D)
2021-2022*	Not chosen by committee	Not chosen by committee
2023-2024	Rep. Amy Regier (R)	Rep. Donavon Hawk (D)

*Senator John Esp (R) was the committee's senior senator and acting presiding officer after the committee was unable to select presiding officers. Senator Bryce Bennett and Representatives Emma Kerr-Carpenter and Laurie Bishop (all Ds) helped Senator Esp develop agendas and preside over meetings.