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MEETING AGENDA

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SAVA Meeting #2 – Thursday, September 25, 2025

Room 102, Capitol Building, Helena

All times are approximate. Some agenda items may take more or less time than scheduled.

8:30 A.M. CALL TO ORDER | ROLL CALL | OPENING REMARKS [TAB 1]

Senator Mike Cuffe, Acting Presiding Officer

8:45 A.M. WORK SESSION – ELECTION OF OFFICERS [TAB 2]

Senator Mike Cuffe, Acting Presiding Officer

- Election of Officers

9:15 A.M. HJ 48: STUDY OF MOVING THE PRIMARY ELECTION DATE [TAB 3]

- Introduction of Panels – Rebecca Power, Research Analyst
- Panel Discussion #1
 - Lance Melton, Montana School Boards Association
 - Andrea Mohammadi, Office of Public Instruction
 - Cheryl Wilson, Office of the Commissioner of Political Practices
- Break
- Panel Discussion #2
 - Toni Kramer, Lake County Elections Administrator
 - Regina Plettenberg, Ravalli County Clerk & Recorder
 - Eric Semerad, Gallatin County Clerk & Recorder
 - Janel Tucek, Fergus County Clerk & Recorder
- Public Comment* on HJ 48 Study
- Committee Discussion, Potential Committee Action, and Instructions to Staff

11:30 A.M. ADMINISTRATIVE RULE REVIEW [TAB 4]

Andria Hardin, Attorney

- Overview of September Rule Review Memo
- Public Comment* on Administrative Rule Review
- Committee Discussion, Potential Committee Action, and Instructions to Staff

NOON LUNCH

Hosted by the Office of the Secretary of State for SAVA members

1:00 P.M. PUBLIC COMMENT* ON ANY TOPIC UNDER SAVA'S JURISDICTION [TAB 5]

1:15 P.M. SJ 35: STUDY OF VOTER LIST MAINTENANCE & INTEGRITY [TAB 6]

- Introduction of SJ 35 – Senator Theresa Manzella
- Introduction of Panel – Rebecca Power, Research Analyst
- Panel Discussion
 - Laurie Bakri, MVD Administrator
 - Toni Kramer, Lake County Elections Administrator
 - Regina Plettenberg, Ravalli County Clerk & Recorder
 - Eric Semerad, Gallatin County Clerk & Recorder
 - Janel Tucek, Fergus County Clerk & Recorder
- Public Comment* on SJ 35 Study
- Committee Discussion, Potential Committee Action, and Instructions to Staff

3:00 P.M. BREAK

3:15 P.M. WORK SESSION – SAVA WORK PLAN [TAB 7]

Rebecca Power, Research Analyst

- Draft Work Plan
 - Draft FTE Allocation
 - Collaboration with Section A Interim Budget Committee
- Public Comment* on Draft Work Plan
- Committee Discussion, Potential Committee Action, and Instructions to Staff

4:15 P.M. MEETING WRAP UP

- Additional Instructions to Staff
- Next Meeting – Monday, November 17, 2025

4:30 P.M. ADJOURNMENT

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