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## Law and Justice Interim Committee

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August 16, 2021

Dear President Blasdel and Legislative Council members,

House Joint Resolution No. 29 (HJ 29) requested an interim committee explore options for future funding of victim services in Montana. The Legislative Council assigned this study to the Law and Justice Interim Committee (LJIC) along with four other study resolutions. During the LJIC's organizational meeting on June 29, members voted to request that the Legislative Council reassign the HJ 29 study to the Legislative Finance Committee so that committee can delegate the study to the Section D Interim Budget Committee established by section 1, chapter 525, Laws of 2021. The LJIC makes this request pursuant to section 5-5-217(3), MCA, that allows an interim committee to recommend to the Legislative Council that a study be assigned to another interim committee or statutory committee.

Thank you for considering this recommendation. Please contact the LJIC staff or me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John Esp".

Sen. John Esp, Senior Senator of the Law and Justice Interim Committee

cc

Sen. Ryan Osmundson, Presiding Officer, Legislative Finance Committee  
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