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AGENDA

REVENUE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Thursday and Friday, July 10-11, 2008
Room 137, State Capitol, Helena, MT

Thursday, July 10, 2008, 3:00 p.m.

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PUBLIC COMMENT FOLLOWS EACH AGENDA ITEM

- 3:00 1. Call to order--roll call--**Sen. Jim Peterson, Committee Chair**
- 3:05 2. Committee consideration of requesting bill drafts (deferred from April 18 meeting)--**Jeff Martin, Committee staff**
- a. clarify exemption of first \$250,000 of gross value of product for metal mines (Title 15, chapter 37, part 1)
 - b. clarify statutes related to tax increment finance districts for consistency of definitions and internal references for the various types of districts
- 3:20 3. Montana Department of Transportation legislative proposals--**Jim Lynch, Director, Montana Department of Transportation**
- a. Committee may take action on whether to request bills on behalf of MDT
- 3:45 4. Montana Department of Transportation reports--**Jim Lynch**
- a. update on status of Highway 2 project from Culbertson to North Dakota
 - b. priority of highway projects under scenario of rising costs and uncertain revenue
 - c. report required under 61-10-154, MCA, on inspection of diesel-powered vehicles to determine compliance with special fuel laws and impact on highway fund
 - d. update on escrow account for local payment of transportation projects
 - e. Room to Live--video on tragedy of not wearing seatbelts
 - f. status of allowing white markers on public roads to commemorate traffic fatalities
5. Public comment on topics within the purview of the committee
- 5:30 6. Recess until Friday morning

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REVENUE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
Friday, July 11, 2008, 8:00 a.m.
Room 137, State Capitol

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PUBLIC COMMENT FOLLOWS EACH AGENDA ITEM

- 8:00 1. Call to order -- roll call -- approve April 17-18 Committee meeting minutes--**Sen. Jim Peterson, committee chair**
- 8:05 2. Subcommittee reports
a. SJR 31 subcommittee--**Sen. Bob Story, subcommittee chair**
b. HB 488 subcommittee--**Sen. Kim Gillan, subcommittee chair**
- 8:30 3. HJR 61 study of state income tax conformity with federal income tax law
a. bill drafts to provide an effective date with Internal Revenue Code--**Lee Heiman, committee staff attorney**
b. update on federal references--**Lee Heiman**
c. public comment
d. committee discussion, action, instructions to staff
- 9:30 4. Progress report on the recodification of individual income tax law under Title 15, chapter 30--**Lee Heiman**
- 10:00 5. Legislative Finance Committee proposal for joint sponsorship of legislation to revise the effect of the revenue estimating resolution under 5-5-227, MCA (deferred from April 18 meeting)--**Clayton Schenck, Legislative Fiscal Division**
- 10:30 6. Report on RTIC/LFC subcommittee meeting on proposed study of the long-term effects of demographic changes in Montana on governmental expenditures and revenue--**RTIC subcommittee members**
- 11:00 7. Department of Revenue legislative proposals--**Dan Bucks, Director, Department of Revenue**
a. Committee may take action on whether to request bill drafts on behalf of DOR
- 11:30 8. Demonstration of Secretary of State's new administrative rules webpage--**Lee Heiman**
- 11:45 9. Administrative rule review--**Lee Heiman**
- LUNCH--**
- 1:00 10. Update on school funding lawsuit--**Jeremy Gersovitz, LSD staff attorney**
- 1:15 11. Update on Realty Transfer Certificate project--**Dan Bucks, Department of Revenue**
a. Public comment

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- 2:00 12. Montana Department of Revenue reports--**Dan Bucks, Director, Department of Revenue**
- a. process for background investigation for beer and wine license
 - b. compliance activities
 - i. pass-through entities
 - ii. abusive tax shelters
 - c. improvement of communication with taxpayers
 - d. update on tax increment finance rules
 - e. other reports
- 3:00 13. Public comment on topics within the purview of the committee
14. Agenda items for September 11-12 committee meeting
15. Other business--member issues--confirm next meeting--instructions to staff
16. Adjourn

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