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AGENDA

Friday, July 10, 2026

Room 154, State Capitol

Agenda times are approximate. Some items may take more or less time than is indicated.

- 9:00 1. **Call to Order – Roll Call** – Rep. Larry Brewster, Presiding Officer
- 9:05 2. **Agency Monitoring: Montana Tax Appeal Board** – Travis Brown, Chair
- a. Appeals update
 - b. PD 10: Revise county board member appeals process
 - c. Public comment*
 - d. Committee action (if any)
- 9:30 3. **Required Report: Economic Impact of MEDIA Act Credits**
- a. Introduction – Jenny Pelej, Department of Commerce
 - b. Presentation of report – Gina Lavery, Econsult Solutions, Inc.
 - c. Committee questions
 - d. Public comment*
- 10:30 4. **Tax Credit Review: Unlocking Public Lands**
- a. Introduction – Megan Moore, Committee staff
 - b. Update on efforts to consolidate public access programs – Jason Kool, FWP
 - c. Public comment*
 - d. Committee recommendation
- 11:00 5. **Tax Credit Review: Elderly Homeowner and Renter Credit**
- a. PD 9: Increase elderly homeowner and renter credit (HB 831 2025) – Megan Moore
 - b. Public comment*
 - c. Committee action (if any)
- 11:30 6. **Tax Credit Review: Draft Final Report**
- a. Presentation of report – Megan Moore
 - b. Public comment*
 - c. Committee action
- 11:40 7. **Exempt Property Review Process**
- a. Overview of topic – Megan Moore
 - b. Committee discussion
 - c. Public comment*
 - d. Committee action (if any)

- 12:00 **Lunch**
- 1:00 8. **Agency Monitoring: Department of Revenue** – Brendan Beatty, Director
- a. Reappraisal update – Paula Gilbert
 - b. Major case update – Dave Stewart
 - c. Agricultural Land Advisory Committee report – Bryce Kaatz
 - d. Required report: Forest Land Taxation Advisory Committee – Bryce Kaatz
 - e. Public comment*
 - f. Additional questions and discussion
- 1:30 9. **Agency Monitoring: Department of Revenue Requested Legislation**
- a. Overview of agency-requested legislation process – Megan Moore
 - b. Agency-requested legislation concepts – Kevin Maki, DOR
 - c. Public comment*
 - d. Committee action (if any)
- 2:00 10. **Implementation of SB 542/HB 231**
- a. Update on administration – Bryce Kaatz, DOR
 - b. Cabins on leased public land
 - i. Estimated economic impact – Kurt Swimley, LFD
 - ii. Legal considerations – Jaret Coles, LSD
 - c. Public comment*
 - d. Committee discussion
- 2:45 11. **Revenue Estimating & Monitoring**
- a. 2029 Biennium Outlook – Nick VanBrown, LFD
 - b. Public comment*
- 3:15 12. **SJ 8: Special District Study**
- a. PD 12: Resolution for study of local government financial audits – Megan Moore
 - b. SB 539 – Committee discussion
 - c. Public comment*
 - d. Committee action (if any)
- 3:45 13. **Agency Monitoring: Administrative Rule Review**
- a. Administrative rule report – Jaret Coles, Staff attorney
 - b. Public comment*
 - c. Additional questions and discussion
- 4:00 14. **Public comment*** on any other topic within the committee’s jurisdiction
- 4:15 15. **Committee Work Session**
- a. Committee action on earlier agenda items
 - b. August 24 meeting overview
 - c. Committee discussion and requests
- 4:45 16. **Adjourn**

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