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Tentative Agenda

(updated 3/15/10)

March 19, 2010 -- 9 am -- Room 137 -- State Capitol

Please note: All times are tentative. Some agenda items may take more or less time than scheduled

- 9:00 a.m. **Call to order; Roll call** -- Senator Joe Tropila, Presiding Officer
 Approval of draft written minutes: 10/29-30/09; 12/11/09; and 03/03/10
 Overview of meeting agenda -- Rachel Weiss, Research Analyst
- 9:05 a.m. **HJR35 bonus study update**
 → Dave Bohyer, Research Director
 → Questions from the Committee
 → Public comment
 → Committee discussion and action if desired
- 9:20 a.m. **HB 659: Retirement plan design policy goals**
 → David Slishinsky and Douglas Fiddler, Consulting Actuaries, Buck
 Consultants
 → Overview of survey results
 → Retirement income policy and plan alternatives
 → Changes considered by other states
 → Comparison of Montana systems to similar regional systems
 → Consideration of SAVA's potential design alternatives from Section 3.4 of
 the RFP and changes required by HB 659

Public comment

Action Item: Establish retirement plan design policy goals

(During this portion of the agenda, the presiding officer will call for breaks, lunch or public comment at appropriate times.)

- 3:00 p.m. **Update on PERB response to Jaksha ruling**
 → Melanie Symons, MPERA Legal Counsel
 → Questions from the Committee
 → Public comment

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- 3:15 p.m. **Performance audit of TRS and MPERA - retirement benefit calculation**
→ Ross Johnson, Legislative Audit Division
→ Questions from the Committee
→ Public comment
- 3:30 p.m. **Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with TRS**
→ Explanation of MOU -- Rachel Weiss
→ Committee questions and action
- 3:45 p.m. **Rule Review: MAR Notices No. 44-2-156 and 44-2-158**
→ David Niss, Staff Attorney
→ Public comment
- 3:55 p.m. **Overview: Western Tradition Partnership lawsuit**
→ David Niss
→ Public Comment
- 4:00 p.m. **Public comment on any subject within SAVA's jurisdiction**
- 4:10 p.m. **Other business**
→ Member issues, including any questions on agency written updates
→ Instructions to staff for further research and/or agenda items for next meeting
→ April 22-23, 2010, next SAVA meeting

Adjourn

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