AGENDA

BUSINESS AND LABOR INTERIM COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE Wednesday, October 21, 2026 | 1:15 p.m. | Room 120 Senate Building

1. **Committee Business**
   - Call to order
   - Approval of the minutes of the September 16, 2026, meeting

2. **Legislative Prioritization of Occupation Reviews Report**
   Utah Code Section 13-1b-303 requires the Office of Professional Licensure Review to submit a list of periodic reviews proposed for the upcoming year. The committee will receive a presentation from the office on the proposed reviews and consider approval of the list, with or without modification.

   - Jeff Shumway, Director, Office of Professional Licensure Review
   - Committee discussion

3. **Residence Lien Recovery Fund Report**
   Utah Code Section 38-11-206 requires the Division of Professional Licensing to report annually on the status of the Residence Lien Recovery Fund. The committee will receive an update on the fund balance, when the fund may become insufficient to pay claims, and the division's recommendation regarding whether provisions of the act should be repealed.

   - Mark Steinagel, Deputy Commissioner, and Adam Watson, Deputy Division Director, Department of Commerce
   - Committee discussion

4. **Draft Legislation, "Health Professions Licensing Amendments"**
   The committee will consider 2027 General Session draft legislation, "Health Professions Licensing Amendments," which modifies licensing and regulation provisions for various health professions regulated by the Division of Professional Licensing.

   - Senator Evan Vickers
   - Public comment
   - Committee action

5. **Draft Legislation, "Professional Licensing Modifications"**
   The committee will consider 2027 General Session draft legislation, "Professional Licensing Modifications," which amends provisions related to professional licenses by clarifying scope of practice for physicians, advanced practice registered nurses, physician assistants, nurses, and estheticians, establishes provisions governing surgical procedures and surgical assisting, revises requirements related to medical spas and cosmetic medical procedures, and other changes related to health care services.

   - Representative Norm Thurston
   - Public comment
   - Committee action

6. **Draft Legislation, "Health Profession Licensing Modifications"**
   The committee will consider 2027 General Session draft legislation,
   "Health
   Licensing Modifications," which modifies licensing requirements for radiologic and medical technologists and requirements related to medication administration in nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

- Representative Raymond Ward
- Public comment
- Committee action

7. **Draft Legislation, "Optometry Practice Amendments"**
   The committee will consider 2027 General Session draft legislation, "Optometry Practice Amendments," which amends provisions related to the practice of optometry by allowing an optometrist to perform certain laser procedures.

   - Representative Cory A. Maloy
   - Public comment
   - Committee action

8. **Draft Legislation, "Property Management Amendments"**
   The committee will consider 2027 General Session draft legislation, "Property Management Amendments," which amends provisions related to property management and addresses reporting for property management violations with the Division of Consumer Protection and Division of Real Estate.

   - Austin Weenig, Associate General Counsel, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel
   - Public comment
   - Committee action

9. **Health Insurance Policy Review**
   The committee will receive a presentation from the Insurance Department on health insurance markets and state policy, with included observations on Utah's health insurance marketplace in comparison to policy actions taken in other states.

   - Jon Pike, Commissioner, Insurance Department
   - Committee action

10. **Office of AI Policy: AI Learning Laboratory Report**
    Utah Code § 13-72-201 requires the Office of Artificial Intelligence Policy to report annually to the committee on the AI Learning Laboratory. The committee will receive a presentation from the Office following up on their September Interim presentation detailing recommendations for policy consideration resulting from the 2026 Learning Laboratory program.

    - Zach Boyd, Director, Office of Artificial Intelligence Policy
    - Committee action

11. **Pro-Human Artificial Intelligence Initiative**
    On October 6th, Governor Spencer Cox signed Executive Order 2026-08, which established a pro-human approach to artificial intelligence usage throughout state government. The committee will receive a presentation from the Department of Commerce providing information on the Department's efforts to implement the provisions of the executive order.

    - Margaret Busse, Commissioner, Department of Commerce
    - Committee action

12. **Other Items/Adjourn**