

Revised: November 3, 2017

**TENTATIVE AGENDA
for the
SIXTH MEETING
of the
ECONOMIC AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**November 6-7, 2017
State Capitol, Room 307
Santa Fe**

Monday, November 6

- 9:00 a.m. **Call to Order and Introductions**
—Senator Benny Shendo, Jr., Chair
- 9:15 a.m. (1) **Broadband Expansion in Rural New Mexico**
—Katherine Martinez, Director, Legislative Affairs, CenturyLink
- 10:00 a.m. (2) **Small Cell Technology and the Wireless Consumer Advanced
Infrastructure Investment Act**
—Terri Nikole Baca, Director of External Affairs, AT&T
—De O’Roark, General Counsel, Verizon
- 11:00 a.m. (3) **Jobs Council Initiatives and Legislative Recommendations**
- **Employability Soft Skills Programs**
—Charles Lehman, Director, Employment and Economic Information
Center of New Mexico
—Erin Hagenow, President, Junior Achievement of New Mexico
—Kay Provolt, State Director, Jobs for America's Graduates-New
Mexico
 - **Department of Information Technology (DOIT) Office of Broadband
and Geospatial Initiatives: Broadband for Business Study**
—Estevan J. Lujan, Deputy Secretary, DOIT
—Maria R. Sanchez, General Counsel, DOIT
 - **Solo-Worker Program Update**
—Mark Lautman, Principal, Community Economics Laboratory
—Paul Hamrick, Managing Associate, Community Economics Laboratory
- 12:30 p.m. **Working Lunch**

- 12:45 p.m. (4) [**Taxation and Regulation of Recreational Cannabis**](#)
—Emily Kaltenbach, Senior Director for National Criminal Justice Reform Strategy and New Mexico State Director, Drug Policy Alliance
- 1:45 p.m. (5) [**State Apprenticeship Council \(SAC\)**](#)
—Charles Humiston, Chair, SAC; Apprenticeship Director, Electrical Apprenticeship, New Mexico Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee
—Richard Meyer, Board Member, SAC; Business Manager, Iron Workers Local 495
—Greta Schouman, Board Member, SAC; Apprenticeship Director, New Mexico Chapter, Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc. (ABC)
—John Gallegos, Plumbing Graduate of ABC, Rodgers Plumbing and Heating, Inc.
—Johnnie Sanchez, Fourth Year Plumbing Apprentice, Rodgers Plumbing and Heating, Inc.
- 2:45 p.m. (6) [**Public Regulation Commission: Regulation of Renewable Energies**](#)
—Patrick H. Lyons, Commissioner, District 2, Public Regulation Commission
- 3:30 p.m. (7) [**Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine**](#)
—George Mychaskiw, D.O., Dean, Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine
—Oliver W. Hayes, D.O., F.A.C.E.P., Senior Associate Dean for Clinical Education, Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine
- 4:30 p.m. **Approval of Minutes**
- 4:45 p.m. **Public Comment**
- 5:00 p.m. **Recess**

Tuesday, November 7

- 9:00 a.m. **Reconvene**
—Senator Benny Shendo, Jr., Chair
- 9:10 a.m. (8) [**The Escalante Generating Station: House Memorial 72 \(2017\) Report**](#)
—Jeff Kiely, Executive Director, Northwest New Mexico Council of Governments
—Eileen Yarborough, Executive Director, Cibola Communities Economic Development Foundation
—Michael Sage, Deputy Director, Greater Gallup Economic Development Corporation

- 10:10 a.m. (9) [Workforce Solutions Department \(WSD\) Current and Proposed Programs](#)
—Celina Bussey, Secretary, WSD
- 11:10 a.m. (10) [Status Update on the Rapid Workforce Development Fund](#)
—Barbara Brazil, Deputy Secretary, Economic Development Department (invited)
—Dr. Barbara Damron, Secretary, Higher Education Department (invited)
—Celina Bussey, Secretary, WSD
- 12:00 noon **Lunch**
- (11) [Consideration of Proposed Legislation for Committee Endorsement](#)
1:15 p.m. —Appropriation for New Mexico-Grown Fresh Fruits and Vegetables
1:45 p.m. —Appropriation for Colfax County Aquifer Mapping
2:15 p.m. —Frontier Village Investment and Development Memorial
2:45 p.m. —Appropriations for Jobs Council Initiatives
3:15 p.m. —TBD
3:45 p.m. —TBD
- 4:15 p.m. **Public Comment**
- 4:30 p.m. **Adjourn**