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# AGENDA

September 24, 2008  
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
John A. Cherberg Building  
Senate Hearing Room 4  
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- 10:00 – 10:05 \*1. Approval of June 18 and July 23, 2008 JLARC Meeting Minutes
- 10:05 – 10:50 2. [State Health Care Coverage Eligibility – Preliminary Report](#)
- 10:50 – 11:45 3. [Prescription Drug Purchasing Consortium – Preliminary Report](#)
- 11:45 – 12:00 4. JLARC Work Plans
- \*a. [Adjustments to 2007-09 JLARC Work Plan](#)
  - b. 2009-11 JLARC Work Plan Development

\* Action Item

Please note: All listed times are estimates only and the Committee reserves the right to move agenda items as needed.

1. **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Approval of minutes from the June 18 and July 23, 2008 JLARC meetings.
2. **State Health Care Coverage Eligibility – Preliminary Report:** The 2007-09 Biennial Operating Budget directed the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee (JLARC) to review criteria and procedures for determining eligibility for state programs offering individual health care coverage for qualified recipients. The state determines eligibility and participates in funding 72 health care coverage programs in three main categories: employment-related programs, social services (or Medical Assistance) programs, and expansion programs. This report provides an inventory of these programs and compares eligibility criteria and eligibility determination processes across programs.
3. **Prescription Drug Purchasing Consortium – Preliminary Report:** In 2005, the Legislature passed SSB 5471 which authorized the creation of the Prescription Drug Purchasing Consortium. The Legislature directed the Health Care Authority to establish and administer the Consortium and required eight state health care programs that purchase prescription drugs directly or reimburse pharmacies to be part of the Consortium, unless greater cost savings could be achieved through federal programs or other purchasing arrangements. The Consortium is to be open to units of local government, private entities, labor organizations, and uninsured and underinsured individuals on a voluntary basis. The study examines compliance with statutory requirements and whether the Consortium has led to cost savings and health outcome improvements.
4. **JLARC Work Plans**
  - a. **Adjustments to 2007-09 JLARC Work Plan:** The Committee will consider proposed adjustments to scheduled reporting dates for certain studies on the current 2007-09 Work Plan.
  - b. **2009-11 JLARC Work Plan Development:** The Committee will discuss the process used to solicit proposals for new studies, review proposals, and adopt new studies for the upcoming biennial work plan.