Montana Legislative Fiscal Division

DRAFT 2 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES 2017 BIENNIAK: Final due September 1, 2014

Mission: We are committed to enhancing the legislative process through understandable and objective fiscal policy analysis and information.

Goal 1: Communicate with legislators to better meet mission
- Improved outreach to legislators both in person and on the web
  - Objective 1: Annual trips to communities around the state to explain financial status of the state
  - Objective 2: Increase web hits by 20% from FY 2014 to FY 2016
- Improved training of legislators through any of the following:
  - Orientation training
  - Brown bags during session
  - Continue to improve educational materials
  - Video clips

Goal 2: Continuously invest in staff for these skills:
1. Independent: non-partisan and independent from executive
2. Knowledgeable and highly technically skilled
   a. Accounting/Legal
   b. Programmatic and statutory understanding
   c. Computer systems, data sets, and tools
3. Able to perform rigorous analysis that withstands scrutiny
   a. Forecasting and modeling
   b. Fiscal Policy
4. Communication skills: Informative, efficient, and understandable
5. Adaptable to the changing legislative environment

Strategies for goal 2:
Continue to develop peer review process
Continuous staff training NCSL and other national organizations and internal
Quarterly Budget Status Report
Encourage participation in user groups and other professional groups