

MEETING September 20, 2016 – SWIB Meeting

competitiveness as a country.

ITEM WIOA Update

ACTION REQUESTED Action Item

PRESENTED BY Casey Schreiner, SWIB Director

INFORMATION In 2014, the President signed the Workforce Innovation and

Opportunity Act (WIOA), which replaced the Workforce Investment Act of 1998. This new law represents a renewed commitment to workforce development with an eye to the future through innovation and support for individual and national economic growth. It is aimed at increasing opportunities, particularly for those facing barriers to employment, and invests in the important connection between education and career preparation. It looks to the prosperity of workers and employers and focuses on the economic growth of communities, regions, and states to enhance our global

The U.S. Departments of Labor and Education announced the publication of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act final rules in the Federal Register on Friday, August 19, 2016.

The State of Montana has been working to update systems, policies and language to comply with the published rules.

MOTION None

SYNOPSIS The WIOA Combined Plan Program Years 2016 – 2019 was

conditionally approved by USDOL and WIOA partners. They requested further information and clarification on some parts

of our plan.

ATTACHMENTS None