

**SENATE JOURNAL
60TH LEGISLATURE
SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATIVE DAY**

Helena, Montana
April 9, 2007

Senate Chambers
State Capitol

Senate convened at 5:00 p.m. President Cooney presiding. Invocation by Father Jerry Lowney. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call. All members present. Quorum present.

Yeas: Bales, Barkus, Black, Brueggeman, Cobb, Cocchiarella, Curtiss, Elliott, Esp, Essmann, Gallus, Gillan, Hansen, Harrington, Hawks, Jent, Juneau, Kaufmann, Kitzenberg, Laible, Larson, Laslovich, Lewis, Moss, Murphy, O'Neil, Pease, Perry, Peterson, Ryan, Schmidt, Smith, Squires, Stapleton, Steinbeisser, Story, Tash, J.Tropila, M.Tropila, Wanzenried, Weinberg, Williams, Mr. President.
Total 43

Nays: Balyeat, Brown, Gebhardt, Jackson, Lind, McGee, Shockley.
Total 7

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

Excused: None.
Total 0

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE AND CLAIMS (Schmidt, Chairman):
HB 809, be amended as follows:

4/9/2007

1. Title, lines 5 and 6.
Following: "INSTRUCTION" on line 5
Strike: remainder of line 5 through "SOCIETY" on line 6

2. Title, line 7 through line 11.
Following: "FUNDS;" on line 7
Strike: remainder of line 7 through "MCA;" on line 11
Following: "PROVIDING"
Insert: "AN"
Strike: "DATES"
Insert: "DATE"

3. Page 1, line 15 through page 20, line 4.
Strike: everything after the enacting clause
Insert:

And, as amended, be concurred in. Report adopted.

HB 818, be amended as follows:

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1. Title, lines 5 through 7.

Following: "COUNSEL;" on line 5

Strike: remainder of line 5 through "MCA;" on line 7

2. Title, line 8.

Following: line 7

Insert: "AN"

Strike: "DATES"

Insert: "DATE"

3. Page 1, line 12 through page 14, line 21.

Strike: everything after the enacting clause

Insert:

And, as amended, be concurred in. Report adopted.

HB 819, be amended as follows:

1. Title, lines 5 through 7.

Following: "BRANCH;" on line 5

Strike: remainder of line 5 through "MCA;" on line 7

Following: "PROVIDING"

Insert: "AN"

Strike: "DATES"

Insert: "DATE"

2. Page 1, line 11 through page 14, line 25.

Strike: everything after the enacting clause

Insert:

And, as amended, be concurred in. Report adopted.

HB 820, be amended as follows:

1. Title, lines 7 through 11.

Following: "COUNCIL," on line 7

Strike: "AND"

Following: "DEFENDER"

Insert: ", THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS, THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, THE DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK, THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION, THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, THE CRIME CONTROL DIVISION, THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY, THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, COMMUNITY COLLEGES, THE BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION, THE MONTANA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND, THE MONTANA ARTS COUNCIL, THE MONTANA STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION, THE MONTANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, AND RELATED AGENCIES; SETTING RATES FOR INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS"

Following: "DEFENDER;"

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Strike: remainder of line 7 through "MCA;" on line 11

Following: "PROVIDING" on line 11

Insert: "AN"

Strike: "DATES"

Insert: "DATE"

2. Page 1, line 15 through page 29, line 31.

Strike: everything after the enacting clause

Insert:

And, as amended, be concurred in. Report adopted.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

April 6, 2007

The Honorable Scott Sales
Speaker of the House
State Capitol
Helena, MT 59620

The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Helena, MT 59620

Dear Speaker Sales and President Cooney:

In accordance with the power vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Montana, I hereby veto House Bill (HB) 469, "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT PROPERTY OWNED BY COMMERCIAL MOBILE RADIO SERVICE PROVIDERS IS TAXED AS CLASS FOUR COMMERCIAL PROPERTY AND CLASS EIGHT PERSONAL PROPERTY; CLARIFYING THAT PROPERTY OWNED BY COMMERCIAL MOBILE RADIO SERVICE PROVIDERS MAY NOT BE CENTRALLY ASSESSED FOR PROPERTY TAX PURPOSES; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-1-402, 15-6-138, 15-6-156, AND 15-23-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE."

HB 469 purports to "clarify" existing Montana law regarding, first, the property tax classification of wireless phone company property and, second, the method of assessment of this wireless property. HB 469 does not, as its title suggests, "clarify" existing Montana law. Rather, under the guise of "clarifying" existing law, HB 469 would actually *reverse* existing law and codify the improper practices of past Administrations, which failed to correctly implement Montana's tax codes as enacted by the Legislature.

Specifically, HB 469 claims to "clarify" existing Montana law by exempting wireless phone company property from the current statute defining property that is centrally assessed. See section 4 of the bill, amending Mont. Code Ann. § 15-23-101. Contrary to its title, HB 469 does not "clarify" the valuation method to be used for assessing wireless phone company property. Rather, HB 469 carves out an exception to the current law, specifically and expressly for wireless phone company property (as defined in the bill, "property owned by commercial mobile radio service providers").

Likewise, with regard to the property tax classification of wireless property, rather than "clarifying" current law, HB

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469 would amend the current legislative classification of “centrally assessed telecommunications service companies” as class thirteen property to carve out an exception specifically and expressly for wireless phone company property. *See* section 3 of the bill, amending Mont. Code Ann. § 15-6-156.

The title to HB 469 represents the bill as “clarifying” current law regarding taxation of property owned by commercial mobile radio service providers. However, current law already speaks clearly for itself. Indeed, the Department of Revenue’s legal conclusion was confirmed by your own Legislative Auditor, who advised both the Legislature and the department that Montana statutes require the central assessment of wireless phone company property.

Rather than “clarifying” current law, HB 469 ratifies the unlawful practice of prior Administrations, which failed to properly implement the tax laws enacted by the Legislature. As concluded by the Legislative Auditor, it was a mistake for past Administrations to grant millions of dollars of tax breaks to wireless telephone companies, contrary to Montana statutes and at the expense of homeowners, farmers, ranchers, and other businesses. HB 469 ratifies the past unlawful practice and rewards past mistakes. However, let me be clear. HB 469 does not “clarify” current law. HB 469 changes it.

As a final addendum, I unfortunately must also let you know that this past practice has created financial risks for local governments and schools. It is likely no coincidence that on the day after HB 469 was transmitted to my office, Montana’s largest telecommunications company filed a constitutional complaint to the tax methods endorsed by this bill. That challenge is based on a claim of discrimination due to the more favorable treatment of wireless phone company property as compared to traditional landline telephone property under the practice adopted by past Administrations. HB 469 thus attempts to engrave into Montana statutes what has been alleged as a constitutional discrimination claim in a formal legal proceeding.

Montana needs to value and tax comparable property equally. HB 469 is bad policy, bad precedent, and both legally and financially risky to Montana taxpayers. The bill title, itself, is at best misleading. For these multiple reasons, I veto HB 469.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
GOVERNOR

April 3, 2007

The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 45** sponsored by Senator Weinberg on April 3, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

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The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 108** sponsored by Senator Cocchiarella on April 3, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

April 3, 2007

The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 319** sponsored by Senator Cocchiarella on April 3, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

April 3, 2007

The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 323** sponsored by Senator Laslovich on April 3, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

April 5, 2007

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The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 116** sponsored by Senator Brueggeman on April 5, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

April 5, 2007

The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 119** sponsored by Senator Moss on April 5, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

April 5, 2007

The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 124** sponsored by Senator Harrington on April 5, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

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The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
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Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 141** sponsored by Senator Laslovich on April 5, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

April 5, 2007

The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 178** sponsored by Senator Lewis on April 5, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

April 5, 2007

The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 208** sponsored by Senator J. Tropila on April 5, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

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The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
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Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 239** sponsored by Senator Balyeat on April 5, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

April 5, 2007

The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 322** sponsored by Senator Brueggeman on April 5, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

April 5, 2007

The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 328** sponsored by Senator Steinbeisser on April 5, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

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The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
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Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 385** sponsored by Senator Cobb on April 5, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

April 5, 2007

The Honorable Mike Cooney
President of the Senate
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Senator Cooney:

Please be informed that I have signed **Senate Bill 479** sponsored by Senator Elliott on April 5, 2007.

Sincerely,

BRIAN SCHWEITZER
Governor

MESSAGES FROM THE OTHER HOUSE

Senate bill concurred in and returned to the Senate:	4/5/2007
SB 181 , introduced by Cobb	
Senate bill concurred in and returned to the Senate:	4/5/2007
SB 251 , introduced by Larson	
Senate bill concurred in and returned to the Senate:	4/5/2007
SB 266 , introduced by Shockley	
Senate bill concurred in and returned to the Senate:	4/5/2007
SB 370 , introduced by Tash	
Senate bill concurred in and returned to the Senate:	4/5/2007

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SB 374, introduced by Cooney
Senate bill concurred in and returned to the Senate: 4/5/2007

SB 414, introduced by Laslovich
Senate bill concurred in and returned to the Senate: 4/5/2007

SB 422, introduced by Gebhardt
Senate bill concurred in and returned to the Senate: 4/5/2007

SB 442, introduced by Kaufmann
Senate bill concurred in and returned to the Senate: 4/5/2007

SB 443, introduced by Squires
Senate bill concurred in and returned to the Senate: 4/5/2007

SB 444, introduced by Wanzenried
Senate joint resolution concurred in and returned to the Senate: 4/5/2007

SJR 4, introduced by Curtiss
Senate bill not concurred in and returned to the Senate: 4/2/2007

SB 152, introduced by Ryan
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 27, introduced by Esp
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 31, introduced by Esp
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 41, introduced by Elliott
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 48, introduced by Esp
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 49, introduced by Esp

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Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 89, introduced by Williams

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 96, introduced by Williams

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 100, introduced by Jent

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 121, introduced by Elliott

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 130, introduced by Story

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 133, introduced by Essmann

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 147, introduced by Shockley

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 172, introduced by J. Tropila

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 213, introduced by Cobb

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 222, introduced by Esp

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 225, introduced by Moss

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 227, introduced by Laslovich

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

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SB 233, introduced by Elliott
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 258, introduced by Shockley
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 276, introduced by Steinbeisser
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 284, introduced by Moss
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 291, introduced by Perry
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 312, introduced by Lind
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 324, introduced by Jackson
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 342, introduced by Squires
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 354, introduced by Lind
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 363, introduced by Kaufmann
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 365, introduced by Story
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 379, introduced by Laslovich
Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 384, introduced by Wanzenried

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Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 393, introduced by Gillan

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 404, introduced by Lind

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 419, introduced by Lind

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 424, introduced by Moss

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 433, introduced by Laslovich

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 449, introduced by Gillan

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 478, introduced by Weinberg

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 486, introduced by Shockley

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 489, introduced by Cocchiarella

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 491, introduced by Moss

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 492, introduced by Gebhardt

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007
SB 497, introduced by Moss

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

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SB 505, introduced by Squires

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 518, introduced by Perry

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 525, introduced by Elliott

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 527, introduced by Gillan

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 538, introduced by Elliott

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SB 547, introduced by Perry

Senate joint resolution concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SJR 12, introduced by Brueggeman

Senate joint resolution concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/5/2007

SJR 25, introduced by J. Peterson

House bill passed and transmitted to the Senate for concurrence: 4/3/2007

HB 665, introduced by Arntzen

House bill passed and transmitted to the Senate for concurrence: 4/3/2007

HB 746, introduced by Erickson

HB 833, introduced by Stahl, requiring adoption by an affirmative roll call vote of two-thirds of all the members of the Legislature, passed the House and was transmitted to the Senate with the following vote: 4/4/2007

Yeas - 76

Nays - 23

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/3/2007

SB 51, introduced by Hawks

Senate bill concurred in as amended and returned to the Senate for concurrence in House amendments: 4/3/2007

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SB 200, introduced by Lewis

MOTIONS

SEN. JOE BALYEAT, SD 34, BOZEMAN moved to reconsider action on **HB 650** requesting it be put on third reading the 75th Legislative day. Motion failed as follows:

Yeas: Bales, Balyeat, Barkus, Black, Brown, Brueggeman, Cobb, Curtiss, Esp, Essmann, Gebhardt, Jackson, Laible, Lewis, McGee, Murphy, O'Neil, Perry, Peterson, Shockley, Stapleton, Steinbeisser, Story, Tash.

Total 24

Nays: Cocchiarella, Elliott, Gallus, Gillan, Hansen, Harrington, Hawks, Jent, Juneau, Kaufmann, Kitzenberg, Larson, Laslovich, Lind, Moss, Pease, Ryan, Schmidt, Smith, Squires, J.Tropila, M.Tropila, Wanzenried, Weinberg, Williams, Mr. President.

Total 26

Absent or not voting: None.

Total 0

Excused: None.

Total 0

SEN. ROY BROWN, SD 25, BILLINGS moved to take **HB 713** from the table moving it to second reading on the 75th Legislative day. Motion failed as follows:

Yeas: Bales, Balyeat, Barkus, Black, Brown, Brueggeman, Cobb, Curtiss, Esp, Essmann, Gebhardt, Jackson, Laible, Lewis, McGee, Murphy, O'Neil, Perry, Peterson, Shockley, Stapleton, Steinbeisser, Story, Tash, J.Tropila.

Total 25

Nays: Cocchiarella, Elliott, Gallus, Gillan, Hansen, Harrington, Hawks, Jent, Juneau, Kaufmann, Kitzenberg, Larson, Laslovich, Lind, Moss, Pease, Ryan, Schmidt, Smith, Squires, M.Tropila, Wanzenried, Weinberg, Williams, Mr. President.

Total 25

Absent or not voting: None.

Total 0

Excused: None.

Total 0

SEN. JOHN BRUEGGEMAN, SD 6, POLSON moved to change his vote taken on the 73rd Legislative day on **HB 25** from "yes" to "no". Motion carried.

FIRST READING AND COMMITMENT OF BILLS

The following House bills were introduced, read first time, and referred to committees:

HB 27, introduced by Driscoll, referred to Natural Resources and Energy.

HB 39, introduced by McNutt, referred to Natural Resources and Energy.

HB 148, introduced by Grinde, referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.

HB 179, introduced by French, referred to State Administration.

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HB 665, introduced by Arntzen, referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

HB 840, introduced by Hilbert, referred to Highways and Transportation.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION (Smith, Chairman):

4/10/2007

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Legislative Administration recommend that employment of the following attaches of the Senate be terminated as of 9:00 a.m., Thursday, April 5, 2007:

TITLE

NAME

Pages:

Ryan Arthun, Wilsall
Tyler Zupan, Wilsall
Elizabeth Redfern, Missoula
Shelby Shaw, Butte
Steel Anderson, Wilsall

and recommend that the following attaches of the Senate be employed as of 9:00 a.m., Monday, April 9, 2007:

TITLE

NAME

Pages:

Will Townsend, White Sulphur Springs
Dylan Brown, Missoula
Jamie Foy, Anaconda
Chelsea Brauer, Forsyth
Jessica Buckless, Polson
Vance Larsen, Gerladine
Rebecca Bitz, Trout Creek

Report Adopted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee meetings were announced by the committee chairs.

Majority Leader Williams moved that the Senate adjourn until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 10, 2007. Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

JOHN MUDD
Secretary of the Senate

MIKE COONEY
President of the Senate