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State Capitol

Pursuant to the Constitution of the Sate of Montana, at the hour of 12:00 noon, the House of Representatives of the 61st Legislature of the State of Montana was called to order by the Honorable Linda McCulloch, Secretary of State of the State of Montana.

The Montana National Guard under the leadership of Denny Leniore posted the colors. Secretary McCulloch led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Invocation was given by Rev. Rowlie Hutton. Secretary McCulloch thanked the Montana National Guard and Rev. Rowlie Hutton.

Chief Clerk Dave Hunter called the roll of the members of the House of Representatives of the 61st Legislature.

- District 1, Gerald Bennett
- District 2, Chas Vincent
- District 3, Dee Brown
- District 4, Mike Jopek
- District 5, Keith Regier
- District 6, Bill Beck
- District 7, Jon Sonju
- District 8, Cheryl Steenson
- District 9, Scott Reichner
- District 10, Mark Blasdel
- District 11, Janna Taylor
- District 12, John Fleming
- District 13, Pat Ingraham
- District 14, Gordon Hendrick
- District 15, Frosty Calf Boss Ribs
- District 16, Shannon Augare
- District 17, Russell Bean
- District 18, Jesse O'Hara
- District 19, Mike Milburn
- District 20, Deborah Kottel
- District 21, Anders Blewett
- District 22, Bill Wilson
- District 23, Cydnie (Charlie) Boland
- District 24, Brian Hoven
- District 25, Sue Dickenson
- District 26, Robert Mehlhoff
- District 27, Llew Jones
- District 28, Roy Hollandsworth
- District 29, Edward Butcher
- District 30, Dave Kasten
- District 31, Margarett Campbell
- District 32, Tony Belcourt
- District 33, Bob Bergren
- District 34, Wendy Warburton
- District 35, Wayne Stahl

- District 36, Julie French
- District 37, Walter McNutt
- District 38, Dennis Getz
- District 39, Lee Randall
- District 40, Bill McChesney
- District 41, J. David Roundstone
- District 42, Carolyn Pease-Lopez
- District 43, Duane Ankney
- District 44, William Glaser
- District 45, Tom Berry
- District 46, Ken Peterson
- District 47, Dennis Himmelberger
- District 48, Wanda Grinde
- District 49, Kendall Van Dyk
- District 50, Tom Mcgillvray
- District 51, Robyn Driscoll
- District 52, Arlene Becker
- District 53, Elsie Arntzen
- District 54, Margaret MacDonald
- District 55, Cary Smith
- District 56, Don Roberts
- District 57, Penny Morgan
- District 58, Krayton Kerns
- District 59, Paul Beck
- District 60, David Howard
- District 61, Joel Boniek
- District 62, Bob Ebinger
- District 63, Jennifer Pomnichowski
- District 64, Franke Wilmer
- District 65, Brady Wiseman
- District 66, Mike Phillips
- District 67, Gordon Vance
- District 68, Scott Sales
- District 69, Ted Washburn
- District 70, Michael More
- District 71, Bob Wagner
- District 72, Jeffrey MacLaren
- District 73, Pat Noonan
- District 74, Art Noonan
- District 75, Edith McClafferty
- District 76, Jon Sesso
- District 77, Scott Mendenhall
- District 78, Jill Cohenour
- District 79, Chuck Hunter
- District 80, Mary Caferro
- District 81, Galen Hollenbaugh
- District 82, Mike Menahan
- District 83, Harry Klock
- District 84, Mike Miller
- District 85, Cynthia Hiner
- District 86, Dan Villa
- District 87, Ron Stoker
- District 88, Bob Lake
- District 89, Gary MacLaren

District 90, Ray Hawk

District 91, Tim Furey

District 92, Robin Hamilton

District 93, Dick Barrett

District 94, Dave McAlpin

District 95, Diane Sands

District 96, Teresa Henry

District 97, Michele Reinhart

District 98, Sue Malek

District 99, Betsy Hands

District 100, Bill Nooney

All members present. Quorum present.

Linda McCulloch, Secretary of State of the State of Montana, extended greetings to the members on behalf of the State of Montana and then delivered the following speech:

"Good morning and welcome to Day One of Montana's 61st Legislative Session. As we get started today, let's take a moment to remember that we will be convening this House of Representatives without one of our friends. Please join me in a moment of silence to honor the joyous life of our dear friend and colleague, Representative George Groesbeck. Fourteen years ago in the 54th Legislative Session I sat in your seat, Rep. McClafferty, and then in later sessions, your seat, Rep. Ebinger. I remember the opening of my first Legislative Session. I wondered what would be accomplished, would my bills pass, what would be the final outcome of the Session. Folks in this chamber and around Montana are also wondering what the outcome of the 61st Legislative Session would be. What will this 61st Legislative Session be known for? And, history does keep track of each Legislative Session, some more prominently than others.

The 1st State Legislature Convened on November 23, 1889 amid heated partisan charges of 'voting irregularities' in Silver Bow County. Democrats and Republicans each seated separate delegations from Silver Bow County in separate Houses of Representatives. That 1st Legislature adjourned February 20, 1890 with nothing to show for its efforts. The 2 Houses passed separate sets of bills, but a deadlocked Senate passed none of them. During the 6th Legislature in 1899, bribes and buying of votes were exposed. Copper King, William A. Clark's supporters tossed thousands of dollars over the transoms of Legislator's hotel rooms, in an effort to buy a U.S. Senate seat. This was before the U.S. Senate seats were voted on by the general electorate and instead were appointed by the Montana Legislature.

Today's Initiative and Referendum process is thanks to the 9th Legislature in 1905. Montana voters overwhelmingly approved this process in 1906. In 1913 the 13th Montana Legislature passed a law giving Montanans the opportunity to ratify a U.S. Constitutional Amendment extending to women the right to vote. Montanans approved the measure by 52.2% at the 1914 General Election. This resulted in the first two women elected to the State Legislature in 1917, the 16th Legislature: Maggie Smith Hathaway, a Democrat from Stevensville, and Emma Ingalls, a Republican from Kalispell. In 1933 the first American Indian served in the Legislature, Rep. Dolly Smith Cusker Akers, a Democrat from Poplar. The 42nd Legislature, in 1971, made a law lowering the voting age to 18. The 44th Legislature is known for the first African American to serve, Rep. Geraldine Travis, a Democrat from Great Falls. The 1979 Legislature saw the first woman Majority Leader in the Montana House of Representatives, Rep. Ann Mary Dussault. The 56th Legislature, in response to a lawsuit filed by the Montana media, opened its caucuses to the public. The last Legislature, the 60th Legislature, is known for passing Full-Time Kindergarten and for the first woman to serve as Majority Leader in the Montana Senate, Sen. Carol Williams. It will also be remembered for not completing a budget or accomplishing significant bills until the Special Session following the 90 day Session. What will the 61st Legislature in 2009 be known for? The 100 of you sitting in this historic chamber in the seats of past Legislators will decide the fate of the 61st Legislature. The people of Montana await your decisions."

Secretary of State McCulloch introduced the Honorable Mike McGrath, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Montana.

Chief Justice McGrath administered the following oath of office:

"I do solemnly swear that I will support, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Montana and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity, so help me God."

Secretary of State McCulloch thanked Chief Justice McGrath, and informed the members of the House of Representatives that he had been advised that all oaths of office had been signed and received. These were presented to the Chief Justice McGrath for his acknowledgment and then filed in the Secretary of State's office.

Secretary of State McCulloch called for nominations for the office of the Speaker of the House.

Representative Campbell nominated Representative Bergren.

Representative Sales moved that the nominations be closed.

Representative Bergren was unanimously elected.

Secretary McCulloch declared that Representative Bergren had been duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives for the 61st Legislature. Speaker Bergren was escorted to his chair on the Rostrum.

Speaker Bergren makes remarks.

Speaker Bergren thanked the members of the House, Secretary McCulloch, Chief Justice McGrath and Pastor Hutton. Representatives Hollenbaugh and Taylor escorted Secretary McCulloch, Chief Justice McGrath and Pastor Hutton form the House Chambers.

Representative Campbell moved the following individuals be nominated as officers as the House of Representatives.

Chief Clerk - Dave Hunter

Sergeant-at-Arms - Ed Tinsley

The House officers were appointed by unanimous consent.

Representative Campbell moved that Representative Wilmer be nominated as Speaker Pro-Tem of the House of Representatives.

Representative Wilmer was unanimously elected.

Chief Clerk Hunter read the following announcements from the Caucus.

"This is to advise you that the caucuses have elected the following officials."

House Majority Leader - Rep. Margarett Campbell

House Minority Leader - Rep. Scott Sales

House Majority Caucus Leader - Rep. Mike Philips

House Minority Floor Leader - Rep. Scott Mendenhall

House Assistant Minority Leader - Rep. Tom McGillvray

House Majority Whips - Rep. Julie French and Rep. Shannon Augare

House Minority Whips - Rep. Llew Jones, Rep. Dee Brown, Rep. Krayton Kerns, and Rep. Chas Vincent The speaker has appointed Carolyn Pease-Lopez as Chaplin of the House of Representatives.

House Minority Leader Representative Sales makes remarks.

House Majority Leader Representative Campbell makes remarks.

House Majority Leader Representative Campbell moved that the House rules contained in the **HR1** be adopted as the temporary House operating rules of the 61st Legislature. Motion carried.

House Majority Leader Representative Campbell moved that the House rules contained in the **SJR1** be adopted as the temporary House operating rules of the 61st Legislature. Motion carried.

Representative Campbell moved that the Speaker appoint a committee of two members to notify the Senate that the House is now organized and ready to do business. Motion carried. Speaker Bergren appointed Rep. Reinhart and Rep. Ankney.

Representative Campbell moved that the Speaker appoint a committee of two members to notify the Supreme Court that the House is now organized and ready to do business. Motion carried. Speaker Bergren appointed Rep. Becker and Rep. Peterson.

Representative Campbell moved that the Speaker appoint a committee of two members to notify the Governor, by letter, that the House is now organized and ready to do business. Motion carried. Speaker Bergren appointed Rep. Augare and Rep. Ingraham.

Mr. Speaker directed the House to stand at ease to await the report of the Select Committee from the Senate and the three Select Committees of the House.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES

A committee from the Senate composed of Senators Ripley, Windy Boy, Barrett, and Branae were admitted and reported to the House that the Senate was organized and ready for any legislation the House might care to send it.

The committee appointed to notify the Governor that the House is ready to do business reported it had done so. The committee was thanked and discharged.

The committee appointed to notify the Supreme Court that the House is ready to do business reported it had done so. The committee was thanked and discharged.

The committee appointed to notify the Senate that the House is ready to do business reported it had done so. The committee was thanked and discharged.

FIRST READING AND COMMITMENT OF BILLS

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

- HB 1, introduced by Sesso, referred to Appropriations.
- **HB 2**, introduced by Sesso (by request of the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural Resources and Transportation.
- HB 3, introduced by Ankney, referred to Appropriations.
- **HB 4**, introduced by Jones (by request of the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Appropriations.
- **HB 5**, introduced by Sesso (by request of the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Appropriations.
- **HB 6**, introduced by McNutt (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, and the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Appropriations.
- HB 7, introduced by McNutt (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation and the Office

- of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Appropriations.
- **HB 8**, introduced by McNutt (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation and the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Appropriations.
- **HB 9**, introduced by Hollenbaugh (by request of the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Appropriations.
- HB 10, introduced by Wiseman (by request of the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Appropriations.
- **HB 11**, introduced by Sesso (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation and the Department of Commerce and the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning.
- HB 12, introduced by Wilmer (by request of the Public Employees' Retirement Board), referred to State Administration.
- **HB 13**, introduced by Hunter (by request of the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Appropriations.
- HB 14, introduced by Nooney (by request of the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Natural Resources.
- HB 15, introduced by Villa (by request of the Governor), referred to Education.
- **HB 16**, introduced by Ingraham (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.
- HB 17, introduced by K. Peterson, referred to State Administration.
- **HB 18**, introduced by Ingraham (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.
- **HB 19**, introduced by Ingraham (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.
- **HB 20**, introduced by Dickenson (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to Natural Resources.
- **HB 21**, introduced by Dickenson (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to Natural Resources.
- HB 22, introduced by Dickenson (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to Natural Resources
- HB 23, introduced by Himmelberger (by request of the Legislative Council), referred to State Administration.
- HB 24, introduced by Morgan (by request of the Revenue and Transportation Interim Committee), referred to Taxation.
- HB 25, introduced by McChesney (by request of the Water Policy Committee), referred to Natural Resources.
- HB 26, introduced by K. Peterson, referred to Fish, Wildlife and Parks.
- **HB 27**, introduced by Wiseman (by request of the Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee), referred to Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications.
- **HB 28**, introduced by Ingraham (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to Taxation.
- HB 29, introduced by French (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to Human Services.
- HB 30, introduced by Wilmer (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.
- HB 31, introduced by Wilmer (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.
- HB 32, introduced by Wilmer (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.
- HB 33, introduced by Wilmer (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.
- HB 34, introduced by Wilmer (by request of the Teachers' Retirement Board), referred to State Administration.
- **HB 35**, introduced by Dickenson (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to Natural Resources.
- HB 36, introduced by Van Dyk, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 37, introduced by Campbell (by request of the Code Commissioner), referred to State Administration.

- HB 38, introduced by Campbell (by request of the Legislative Council), referred to Education.
- HB 39, introduced by Cohenour (by request of the Water Policy Committee), referred to Natural Resources.
- HB 40, introduced by Cohenour (by request of the Water Policy Committee), referred to Natural Resources.
- HB 41, introduced by Cohenour (by request of the Water Policy Committee), referred to Natural Resources.
- HB 42, introduced by Vincent (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Fish, Wildlife and Parks
- HB 43, introduced by Vincent (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Appropriations.
- HB 44, introduced by Vincent (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.
- HB 45, introduced by Ingraham, referred to Local Government.
- **HB 46**, introduced by Fleming (by request of the Office of Public Instruction), referred to Education.
- HB 47, introduced by Grinde (by request of the Office of Public Instruction), referred to Education.
- HB 48, introduced by P. Beck (by request of the Department of Agriculture), referred to Agriculture.
- HB 49, introduced by Lake, referred to Transportation.
- HB 50, introduced by Lake, referred to State Administration.
- HB 51, introduced by D. Brown, referred to Fish, Wildlife and Parks.
- HB 52, introduced by McNutt (by request of the Water Policy Committee), referred to Appropriations.
- HB 53, introduced by Washburn, referred to Transportation.
- HB 54, introduced by Ingraham, referred to State Administration.
- HB 55, introduced by Hawk, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 56, introduced by Bean (by request of the Office of Public Instruction), referred to Education.
- HB 57, introduced by Bean (by request of the Office of Public Instruction), referred to Education.
- **HB 58**, introduced by Ingraham (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to State Administration.
- HB 59, introduced by Hamilton (by request of the Teachers' Retirement Board), referred to State Administration.
- HB 60, introduced by Ebinger (by request of the Law and Justice Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.
- HB 61, introduced by Sesso (by request of the State Library Commission), referred to Local Government.
- HB 62, introduced by Hamilton (by request of the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks), referred to Fish, Wildlife and Parks.
- HB 63, introduced by Pomnichowski (by request of the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks), referred to Fish, Wildlife and Parks.
- **HB 64**, introduced by Jones (by request of the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Commerce), referred to Appropriations.
- **HB 65**, introduced by Sands (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Appropriations.
- **HB 66**, introduced by Sands (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Human Services.
- **HB 67**, introduced by Belcourt (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to State Administration.
- HB 68, introduced by Hamilton, referred to Transportation.
- HB 69, introduced by Driscoll, referred to Transportation.
- **HB 70**, introduced by Sands (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Human Services.
- **HB 71**, introduced by Sands (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Appropriations.
- **HB 72**, introduced by Sands (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Human Services.
- HB 73, introduced by French, referred to Agriculture.
- HB 74, introduced by Van Dyk (by request of the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks), referred to Fish, Wildlife and Parks.
- **HB 75**, introduced by Van Dyk (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Natural Resources.
- HB 76, introduced by P. Beck (by request of the Department of Labor and Industry), referred to Business and

Labor.

HB 77, introduced by Nooney, referred to Natural Resources.

HB 78, introduced by Hendrick (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Natural Resources.

HB 79, introduced by Stahl, referred to Natural Resources.

HB 80, introduced by Kottel (by request of the Department of Labor and Industry), referred to Business and Labor.

HB 81, introduced by Lake (by request of the Revenue and Transportation Interim Committee and the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Appropriations.

HB 82, introduced by Driscoll (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications.

HB 83, introduced by Dickenson (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.

HB 84, introduced by Wilson (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.

HB 85, introduced by Sands (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Human Services.

HB 86, introduced by Sands (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Appropriations.

HB 87, introduced by Dickenson (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.

HB 88, introduced by Washburn, referred to State Administration.

HB 89, introduced by K. Peterson, referred to State Administration.

HB 90, introduced by Hawk, referred to Agriculture.

HB 91, introduced by D. Brown, referred to Appropriations.

HB 92, introduced by K. Peterson, referred to Transportation.

HB 93, introduced by Sands (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Human Services.

HB 94, introduced by McNutt, referred to Business and Labor.

HB 95, introduced by Hawk (by request of the Department of Corrections), referred to Judiciary.

HB 96, introduced by Hamilton (by request of the Education and Local Government Interim Committee), referred to Human Services.

HB 97, introduced by Boland (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to Appropriations.

HB 98, introduced by Di. Barrett (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications.

HB 99, introduced by Washburn, referred to State Administration.

HB 100, introduced by Steenson (by request of the Department of Agriculture), referred to Agriculture.

HB 101, introduced by Welborn (by request of the Department of Labor and Industry), referred to Business and Labor.

HB 102, introduced by Smith, referred to Judiciary.

HB 103, introduced by Wilson (by request of the Public Service Commission), referred to Transportation.

HB 104, introduced by French (by request of the Department of Military Affairs), referred to Appropriations.

HB 105, introduced by Kottel (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Human Services.

HB 106, introduced by French (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Human Services.

HB 107, introduced by Hiner (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Appropriations.

HB 108, introduced by Hollenbaugh (by request of the Department of Justice), referred to Appropriations.

HB 109, introduced by Hunter (by request of the Public Employees' Retirement Board), referred to State Administration.

HB 110, introduced by Sesso (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Appropriations.

HB 111, introduced by Henry (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Human Services.

HB 112, introduced by Sesso (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Appropriations.

- HB 113, introduced by Villa, referred to Taxation.
- HB 114, introduced by Henry (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Business and Labor.
- HB 115, introduced by French (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Taxation.
- HB 116, introduced by McNutt (by request of the Attorney General), referred to Business and Labor.
- HB 117, introduced by K. Peterson, referred to State Administration.
- **HB 118**, introduced by Klock (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications.
- HB 119, introduced by Hunter (by request of the Department of Labor and Industry), referred to Business and Labor.
- HB 120, introduced by McChesney (by request of the Department of Transportation), referred to Transportation.
- **HB 121**, introduced by Cohenour (by request of the Department of Military Affairs), referred to Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications.
- HB 122, introduced by Menahan (by request of the Department of Justice), referred to Judiciary.
- HB 123, introduced by Jones (by request of the Department of Commerce and the Department of Agriculture), referred to Appropriations.
- **HB 124**, introduced by Mehlhoff (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.
- HB 125, introduced by Mehlhoff (by request of the Department of Transportation), referred to Transportation.
- HB 126, introduced by Augare (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to Business and Labor.
- HB 127, introduced by Sesso (by request of the Department of Military Affairs), referred to Appropriations.
- HB 128, introduced by Sesso (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Appropriations.
- HB 129, introduced by Getz (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Local Government.
- HB 130, introduced by Stoker (by request of the Law and Justice Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.
- HB 131, introduced by Stoker (by request of the Law and Justice Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.
- HB 132, introduced by Stoker (by request of the Law and Justice Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.
- **HB 133**, introduced by Stoker (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Judiciary.
- HB 134, introduced by Nooney (by request of the Education and Local Government Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.
- **HB 135**, introduced by Belcourt (by request of the Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission), referred to Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications.
- HB 136, introduced by Boland (by request of the Department of Labor and Industry), referred to Business and Labor.
- HB 137, introduced by McNutt (by request of the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks), referred to Fish, Wildlife and Parks.
- HB 138, introduced by Hunter (by request of the Department of Labor and Industry), referred to Business and Labor
- HB 139, introduced by Vincent (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.
- HB 140, introduced by Vincent (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.
- **HB 141**, introduced by Wilmer (by request of the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Appropriations.
- HB 142, introduced by Wilmer (by request of the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to State Administration.
- HB 143, introduced by McAlpin (by request of the Department of Justice), referred to Business and Labor.
- HB 144, introduced by McAlpin (by request of the Legislative Council), referred to State Administration.
- HB 145, introduced by McAlpin (by request of the Legislative Council), referred to State Administration.
- HB 146, introduced by MacLaren (by request of the Commissioner of Political Practices), referred to State Administration.
- HB 147, introduced by MacLaren (by request of the Commissioner of Political Practices), referred to State Administration.
- HB 148, introduced by D. Brown, referred to Business and Labor.

- HB 149, introduced by Menahan (by request of the Department of Corrections), referred to Judiciary.
- HB 150, introduced by D. Brown, referred to Judiciary.
- HB 151, introduced by Becker (by request of the State Auditor), referred to Business and Labor.
- HB 152, introduced by Hamilton (by request of the Governor), referred to Education.
- HB 153, introduced by Hands (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Natural Resources.
- **HB 154**, introduced by Bergren (by request of the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Appropriations.
- HB 155, introduced by Pomnichowski (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to State Administration.
- HB 156, introduced by Pomnichowski, referred to Local Government.
- HB 157, introduced by Hunter (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Appropriations.
- **HB 158**, introduced by Augare (by request of the Governor), referred to Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications.
- HB 159, introduced by Augare (by request of the State Auditor), referred to Business and Labor.
- HB 160, introduced by Furey (by request of the State Auditor), referred to Business and Labor.
- **HB 161**, introduced by Augare (by request of the Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission), referred to Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications.
- HB 162, introduced by Roundstone (by request of the Governor), referred to Federal Relations, Energy, and Telecommunications.
- HB 163, introduced by Cohenour (by request of the Department of Commerce), referred to Taxation.
- HB 164, introduced by Vincent (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to State Administration.
- HB 165, introduced by Vincent (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.
- HB 166, introduced by Menahan (by request of the Department of Justice), referred to Fish, Wildlife and Parks.
- HB 167, introduced by Sands, referred to Appropriations.
- HB 168, introduced by Roundstone (by request of the Department of Agriculture), referred to Agriculture.
- HB 169, introduced by Hamilton (by request of the Office of Public Instruction), referred to Education.
- HB 170, introduced by Menahan (by request of the Public Employees' Retirement Board), referred to State Administration.
- HB 171, introduced by Augare (by request of the Department of Labor and Industry), referred to Business and Labor.
- HB 172, introduced by Arntzen, referred to Fish, Wildlife and Parks.

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

- HJR 1, introduced by French (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to Natural Resources.
- HJR 2, introduced by Jopek (by request of the Revenue and Transportation Interim Committee), referred to Taxation.
- **HJR 3**, introduced by Henry (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Human Services.
- HJR 4, introduced by Vincent (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.
- **HJR 5**, introduced by Sands (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Human Services.
- HJR 6, introduced by Lake (by request of the Education and Local Government Interim Committee), referred to Education.
- HJR 7, introduced by Vincent (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.

The following House resolution was introduced, read first time, and referred to committee:

HR 1, introduced by Villa (by request of the House Rules Standing Committee), referred to Rules.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee meetings were announced by the committee chairs.

Representative Campbell moved that the House adjourn until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 6, 2009. Motion carried.

House adjourned at 12:56 p.m.

DAVE HUNTER Chief Clerk of the House BOB BERGREN Speaker of the House