House convened at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Speaker presiding. Invocation by Representative Fitzgerald. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call. All members present, except Representatives Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, and Weatherwax, excused. Quorum present.

**BILLS** (Ricci, Chair):

Correctly printed: HB 217, HB 423, HB 432, HB 638, HB 658, SB 56, SB 57, SB 91, SB 137, SJR 12.
Correctly engrossed: HB 5, HB 6, HB 7, HB 341, HB 342, HB 608.
Examined by the sponsor and found to be correct: HB 30, HB 70, HB 151, HB 259.
Transmitted to the Senate: HB 218, HB 351, HB 387, SJR 12.
Signed by the Speaker at 12:30 p.m., March 14, 2019: HB 44, HB 58, HB 154, HB 247, HB 283.
Signed by the Chief Clerk of the House at 3:00 p.m., March 14, 2019: HB 44, HB 58, HB 154, HB 247, HB 283.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee on Legislative Administration, having examined the daily journals for the sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth, nineteenth, and twentieth legislative days, find the same to be correct.

Representative Ricci, Chair

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**APPROPRIATIONS** (Glimm, Chair):

HB 5, introduced bill, be amended as follows:

1. Page 2, line 4.
   **Strike:** "4,550,000" [in both places]
   **Insert:** "1,550,000" [in both places]

2. Page 2, line 5.
   **Following:** line 4
   **Insert:** "If revenues received in the LRBP fund are not sufficient to pay for the appropriations attributed to the LRBP fund in this act, the department of administration shall reduce
spending on projects in the Life Safety and Deferred Maintenance, Statewide appropriation by an amount equal to one-half of the revenue shortfall."

   **Strike:** "5,000,000" [in both places]
   **Insert:** "3,000,000" [in both places]

   **Following:** "funds."
   **Insert:** "If revenues received in the capitol land grant fund are not sufficient to pay for the appropriations attributed to the capitol land grant fund in this act, the department of administration shall reduce spending on the Capitol Building Improvements appropriation by an amount equal to the revenue shortfall."

5. Page 2, line 25.
   **Strike:** line 25 in its entirety
   **Insert:** "1,200,000 [State Special Revenue] 750,000 [Authority Only] 1,950,000 [Total]"

   **Following:** line 15
   **Insert:** "FTH Weapons Cleaning Facility
   1,700,000 [Federal Special Revenue] 1,700,000 [Total]"

   **Following:** line 20
   **Insert:** "Construct Chapel, MT Veterans' Home, Columbia Falls
   750,000 [Authority Only] 750,000 [Total]"

   **Following:** page 3, line 30
   **Insert:** "If revenues received in the LRBP fund are not sufficient to pay for the appropriations attributed to the LRBP fund in this act, the department of administration shall reduce spending on projects in the Life Safety and Deferred Maintenance, MUS Statewide appropriation by an amount equal to one-half of the revenue shortfall."

   **Strike:** "3,000,000 [in both places]"
   **Insert:** "4,000,000 [in both places]"

    **Strike:** "500,000 [Federal Special Revenue]"
    **Insert:** "500,000 [Authority Only]"

    **Following:** line 27
Insert: "Milltown State Park Improvements
50,000 [State Special Revenue] 145,000 [Federal Special Revenue]
100,000 [Authority Only] 295,000 [Total]"


HB 6, introduced bill, be amended as follows:

1. Page 2, line 8.
Strike: "$3,965,000"
Insert: "$3,990,000"

Strike: "$100,000"
Insert: "$125,000"

Following: line 29
Insert: "Buffalo Rapids Irrigation Project District 1
(Irrigation Project 1 - Lateral 1.7 Pipeline Conversion) $125,000
Hardin, City of
(Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements) $125,000
Dillon, City of
(Water Transmission and Distribution Main Replacement) $125,000
Helena Valley Irrigation District
(Lateral 14.8 Headgate Rehabilitation, Phase 2) $125,000
Polson, City of
(Wastewater System Improvement, Phase 2) $125,000
Carbon County Conservation District
(Golden Ditch Company Clark Fork Diversion Rehabilitation) $125,000
Savage Irrigation District
(Infrastructure Rehabilitation) $125,000
Petroleum County Conservation District
(Horse Creek Coulee Water Storage) $125,000
Wibaux, Town of
(Wastewater Treatment System Improvements) $125,000
Alberton, Town of
(Water System Improvements) $125,000
Geraldine, Town Of
(Wastewater System Improvements) $125,000
Missoula, City of
(Caras Park Outfall Storm Water Treatment Retrofit, Phase 2) $125,000
Black Eagle-Cascade County Water/Sewer District
(Water & Sewer System Improvements) $125,000
East Helena, City of
(Water System Improvements) $125,000
Plentywood, City of
(Wastewater Collection Improvement, Phase 2) $125,000
Missoula County
(Lewis & Clark Subdivision Wastewater Improvements) $125,000
Wilsall Water District
(Water District Water System Improvements) $125,000
Lower Yellowstone Irrigation Project
(Crane Wasteway & Pump Station Rehabilitation) $125,000
Missoula County Conservation District
(Grass Valley French Ditch Clark Fork Diversion Rehabilitation) $125,000
Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology
(Reducing Mobilization of Oil-Brine Salt to Streams) $125,000
Winifred, Town of
(Water System Improvements) $125,000
Hysham, Town of
(Wastewater System Rehabilitation, Phase 1) $125,000
Vaughn Cascade County Water/Sewer District
(Water Improvements) $125,000
Stillwater Conservation District
(Yanzick/Brey, Riddle Ditches Irrigation System Improvements, Phase 2) $125,000
Lockwood Water/Sewer District
(Drinking Water System Improvements) $125,000
Circle, Town of
(Water System Improvements) $125,000
Yellowstone County DES
(Billings Bench Water Users Association Main Canal Rehabilitation, Phase 1) $125,000
Hysham Irrigation District
(Re-Lift Canal Improvement) $125,000
Clyde Park, Town of
(Water System Improvements) $125,000
Libby, City of
(Water System Improvements) $125,000
Chinook, City of
(Water System Improvements) $125,000
Cut Bank, City of
(Water System Improvements) $125,000
North Havre County Water District
(Water District Water System Improvements) $125,000
Plains, Town of
(Wastewater System Protection) $125,000
Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology
(Measuring Groundwater Recharge in Flood to Pivot Irrigation Conversions) $125,000
Cascade, Town of  
(Water System Improvements) $125,000

Fallon County  
(Baker Lake Restoration) $100,000

Pondera County Conservation District  
(Kingsbury Turnout Automation) $125,000

Tin Cup County Water/Sewer District  
(Water Conservation) $125,000

Clancy Water/Sewer District  
(Water Improvements) $125,000

Following: "instruction."
Insert: "(1)"

5. Page 6, line 12.  
Following: line 11
Insert: "(2)If both [this act] and an act that provides additional funding for renewable resource grant and loan program grants from bond proceeds are passed and approved, the projects listed in [section 1(4) of this act] that do not receive funding from the appropriations in [section 1(2) of this act] may receive funding from the appropriation in the other act designated for renewable resource grant and loan program grants in the order of completion of the conditions of [section 3 of this act] and to the extent that there is appropriation authority available."


HB 7, introduced bill, be amended as follows:

1. Page 2, line 23.  
Following: line 22
Insert: "Deer Lodge, City of  
(Milwaukee Roundhouse CECLA Site Passenger Refueling Area VCRA Program Remediation) $297,000

Ryegate, Town of  
(Former Ryegate Conoco Groundwater Remediation) $50,000"

2. Page 2, line 25.  
Following: line 24
Insert: "Montana Department of Environmental Quality  
(Cottonwood #2 Acid Mine Drainage Diversion Project) $300,000

Montana Department of Environmental Quality  
(Basin Creek Mine - Phase 2 Site Stability Project) $300,000  
(Upper Blackfoot Mining Complex Water Treatment Plant Bridge and Infrastructure Protection) $300,000"
Following: "instruction."
Insert: "(1)"

Strike: the first "(1)"
Insert: "(a)"

5. Page 4, line 5. 
Strike: "(2)"
Insert: "(b)"

Following: line 6
Insert: "(2) If both [this act] and an act that provides additional funding for reclamation and development grants from bond proceeds are passed and approved, the projects listed in [section 1(4) of this act] that do not receive funding from the appropriations in [section 1(2) of this act] may receive funding from the appropriation in the other act designated for reclamation and development grants in the order of completion of the conditions of [section 3 of this act] and to the extent that there is appropriation authority available."


NATURAL RESOURCES (White, Chair): 3/13/2019
HB 341, introduced bill, be amended as follows:

1. Title, line 6. 
Strike: "SECTION"
Insert: "SECTIONS"
Following: "17-7-502"
Insert: "AND 85-2-525"

2. Title, line 7. 
Following: "DATE"
Insert: "AND A TERMINATION DATE"

Following: line 12
Insert: "Section 4. Section 85-2-525, MCA, is amended to read:

"85-2-525. Ground water investigation program -- advisory committee. (1) The Montana bureau of mines and geology shall develop and implement a ground water investigation program for the purpose of collecting and compiling ground water and aquifer data. The program shall gather data, compile existing information, conduct field studies, and prepare a detailed..."
The bureau of mines and geology shall report, in accordance with 5-11-210, on the work of the ground water investigation program to the water policy committee established in 5-5-231."

Renumber: subsequent sections

4. Page 3, line 19. Following: line 18
Insert: "NEW SECTION. Section 7. Termination. [Sections 1 through 3] terminate July 1, 2023."


HB 342, introduced bill, be amended as follows:

1. Title, line 6.
Strike: "SECTION"
Insert: "SECTIONS"
Following: "17-7-502"
Insert: "AND 85-2-1001"

2. Title, line 7.
Following: "DATE"
Insert: "AND A TERMINATION DATE"

3. Page 3, line 15. Following: line 14
"Section 4. Section 85-2-1001, MCA, is amended to read:

"85-2-1001. Surface water assessment and monitoring program -- steering committee. (1) The Montana bureau of mines and geology shall develop and implement a surface water assessment and monitoring program for the purpose of collecting and compiling surface water information. The bureau shall gather data, compile existing information, conduct field studies, and prepare a detailed hydrogeologic assessment report for each subbasin. The bureau shall develop a monitoring plan and a hydrogeologic model for each subbasin for which a report is prepared.

(2) (a) There is a surface water assessment and monitoring program steering committee consisting of:

(i) an employee of each of the following state agencies that have responsibility for surface water protection, management, or information who is appointed by the head of the respective state agency:
(A) the department of natural resources and conservation;
(B) the department of environmental quality;
(C) the department of agriculture; and
(D) the Montana state library, natural resource information system; and
(ii) at least one representative of tribal governments in Montana, appointed by the governor.
(b) The committee may include representatives of the following agencies and units of
government with expertise or management responsibility related to surface water:
(i) the legislative services division;
(ii) the board of oil and gas conservation;
(iii) the Montana bureau of mines and geology;
(iv) a soil and water conservation district;
(v) a unit of the Montana university system, other than the Montana bureau of mines and
geology, appointed by the board of regents of higher education for the university system;
(vi) a county government, appointed by an organization of Montana counties;
(vii) a city, town, or city-county government, appointed by an organization of Montana cities
and towns; and
(viii) each principal federal agency that has responsibility for surface water protection,
management, or research, appointed by the Montana head of the respective federal agency.
(c) The committee may include one representative of each of the following organizations
and groups, appointed by the governor, to serve as ex officio members:
(i) agricultural water users;
(ii) industrial water users;
(iii) a conservation or ecological protection organization; and
(iv) the development community.
(3) The steering committee shall prioritize subbasins for investigation based on current and
anticipated growth of agriculture, industry, housing, and commercial activity. Permit applications
for the development of surface water or ground water and the timing of the adjudication of water
rights may be taken into account when prioritizing subbasins.
(4) The steering committee shall elect a presiding officer from its voting members.
(5) The Montana bureau of mines and geology shall provide staff support to the steering
committee.
(6) The bureau of mines and geology shall report, in accordance with 5-11-210, on the work
of the surface water assessment and monitoring program to the water policy committee established
in 5-5-231."

Renumber: subsequent sections

Following: line 20
 Insert: "NEW SECTION. Section 7. Termination. [Sections 1 through 3] terminate
July 1, 2023."

HB 608, introduced bill, be amended as follows:

1. Title, page 1, line 5 through line 6.
   Following: "ENTITIES" on line 6
   Insert: ", TRIBES, AND CONSERVATION DISTRICTS"

2. Title, line 6.
   Following: "AUTHORITY;"
   Strike: "AND"

3. Title, line 7.
   Following: "MCA"
   Insert: "; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE"

4. Page 1, line 22.
   Following: "entities"
   Insert: ", tribes, and conservation districts"

5. Page 1, line 25.
   Following: "A fee of $50"
   Strike: "must"
   Insert: "may"

   Following: "entity"
   Insert: ", tribe, or conservation district"

   Following: line 13
   Insert: 
   "NEW SECTION. Section 5. Effective date. [This act] is effective on passage and approval."


MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Senate bills passed and transmitted to the House for concurrence: 3/12/2019

SB 24, introduced by J. Welborn
SB 228, introduced by B. Hoven
SB 269, introduced by M. MacDonald
House bills concurred in and returned to the House: 3/12/2019
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HB 86, introduced by V. Ricci
HB 112, introduced by A. Redfield

House joint resolution concurred in and returned to the House: 3/12/2019

HJR 4, introduced by J. Read

FIRST READING AND COMMITMENT OF BILLS

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

HB 653, introduced by W. Curdy, referred to Business and Labor.

HB 659, introduced by R. Farris-Olsen, M. Caferro, referred to Judiciary.
HB 661, introduced by G. Custer, D. Ankney, referred to Transportation.
HB 662, introduced by L. Jones, referred to Appropriations.
HB 663, introduced by L. Jones, referred to Appropriations.
HB 664, introduced by L. Jones, referred to Appropriations.
HB 665, introduced by M. Caferro, referred to Human Services.
HB 667, introduced by J. Bachmeier, referred to Education.
HB 668, introduced by M. Marler, D. Fern, referred to State Administration.
HB 669, introduced by F. Moore, referred to Appropriations.
HB 670, introduced by F. Moore, referred to Appropriations.
HB 671, introduced by F. Moore, referred to Appropriations.
HB 672, introduced by F. Moore, referred to Appropriations.
HB 673, introduced by D. Zolnikov, A. Redfield, referred to Taxation.
HB 674, introduced by K. White, referred to Fish, Wildlife and Parks.
HB 675, introduced by T. Winter, referred to Taxation.
HB 676, introduced by D. Skees, referred to State Administration.

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

HJR 32, introduced by J. Windy Boy, referred to Human Services.
The following Senate bills were introduced, read first time, and referred to committees:

**SB 24**, introduced by T. Gauthier, referred to Fish, Wildlife and Parks.
**SB 228**, introduced by B. Hoven, referred to Transportation.
**SB 269**, introduced by M. MacDonald, referred to Business and Labor.

### SECOND READING OF BILLS
**(COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE)**

Majority Leader Tschida moved the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for consideration of business on second reading. Motion carried. Representative Custer in the chair.

Mr. Speaker: We, your Committee of the Whole, having had under consideration business on second reading, recommend as follows:

**HB 217** - Representative C. Knudsen moved **HB 217** do pass. Motion carried as follows:


Voted absentee: Kassmier, Keane, Runningwolf, Weatherwax, Aye; Bachmeier, Mortensen, No.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax. Total 6

Absent or not voting: Farris-Olsen. Total 1

**HB 295** - Representative Anderson moved **HB 295** do pass. Motion carried as follows:

Total  83

Total  17

Voted absentee: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Runningwolf, Weatherwax, Aye; Mortensen, No.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax.
Total  6

Absent or not voting: None.
Total  0

HB 423 - Representative Buttrey moved HB 423 do pass. Motion carried as follows:

Total  91

Nays: Bartel, Berglee, Burnett, DeVries, Hayman, Kelker, Krotkov, Regier, Smith.
Total  9

Voted absentee: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax, Aye.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax.
Total  6

Absent or not voting: None.
Total  0
HB 432 - Representative Marler moved HB 432 do pass. Motion carried as follows:

Total 94

Nays: Ballance, Kassmier, Redfield, Ricci, Smith, Zolnikov.
Total 6

Voted absentee: Bachmeier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax, Aye; Kassmier, No.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax.
Total 6

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 638 - Representative Bedey moved HB 638 do pass. Motion carried as follows:

Total 92

Nays: Berglee, Burnett, DeVries, Garcia, Manzella, Regier, Usher, Zolnikov.
Total 8

Voted absentee: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax, Aye.
Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax.
Total 6

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

SB 56 - Representative Curdy moved SB 56 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Yeas: Abbott, Anderson, Bachmeier, Bahr, Ballance, Bartel, Beard, Bedey, Bessette, Bishop,
Brown Z, Burnett, Buttrey, Caferro, Curdy, Custer, Dooling, Dudik, Dunn, Dunwell, Duram,
Fern, Fitzgerald, Fleming, Fuller, Funk, Galt, Garcia, Garner, Glimm, Greef, Grubbs,
Gunderson, Hamilton, Hamlett, Harvey, Hayman, Holmlund, Hopkins, Jones, Karjala, Kassmier,
Keane, Kelker, Keogh, Kerr-Carpenter, Knudsen C, Knudsen R, Krautter, Krotkov, Lenz, Loge,
Marler, McKamey, Mercer, Moore E, Moore T, Morigeau, Mortensen, Olsen, Peppers, Perry,
Pierson, Pope, Read, Runningwolf, Ryan, Sales, Schreiner, Shaw, Smith, Stewart Peregoy,
Sullivan, Sweeney, Weatherwax, Webb, Welch, White, Windy Boy, Winter, Woods,
Mr. Speaker.
Total 82

Nays: Berglee, Brown B, DeVries, Doane, Farris-Olsen, Galloway, Lynch, Mandeville, Manzella,
Noland, Redfield, Regier, Ricci, Skees, Tschida, Usher, Vinton, Zolnikov.
Total 18

Voted absentee: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax, Aye.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax.
Total 6

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

SB 57 - Representative Curdy moved SB 57 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Yeas: Abbott, Anderson, Bachmeier, Bahr, Ballance, Beard, Bedey, Berglee, Bessette, Bishop,
Brown Z, Buttrey, Caferro, Curdy, Custer, DeVries, Doane, Dooling, Dudik, Dunn, Dunwell,
Farris-Olsen, Fern, Fitzgerald, Fuller, Funk, Galloway, Galt, Garcia, Garner, Glimm, Greef,
Grubbs, Gunderson, Hamilton, Hamlett, Harvey, Hayman, Holmlund, Hopkins, Jones, Karjala,
Kassmier, Keane, Kelker, Keogh, Kerr-Carpenter, Knudsen C, Krautter, Krotkov, Lenz, Loge,
Manzella, Marler, McKamey, Mercer, Moore E, Morigeau, Mortensen, Noland, Olsen, Peppers,
Perry, Pierson, Pope, Regier, Ricci, Runningwolf, Ryan, Sales, Schreiner, Shaw, Smith,
Stewart Peregoy, Sullivan, Sweeney, Vinton, Weatherwax, Webb, Welch, Windy Boy, Winter,
Woods, Zolnikov.
Total 84

Voted absentee: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax, Aye.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax. Total 6

Absent or not voting: None. Total 0

SB 91 - Representative Jones moved SB 91 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:


Voted absentee: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Runningwolf, Weatherwax, Aye; Mortensen, No.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax. Total 6

Absent or not voting: None. Total 0

SB 137 - Representative McKamey moved SB 137 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 99

Nays: Doane.
Total 1

Voted absentee: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax, Aye.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax.
Total 6

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

Majority Leader Tschida moved the Committee rise and report. Motion carried. Committee arose. House resumed. Mr. Speaker presiding. Chair Custer moved the Committee of the Whole report be adopted. Report adopted as follows:

Total 93

Nays: None.
Total 0

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax.
Total 6

Absent or not voting: Custer.
Total 1
THIRD READING OF BILLS

The following bills having been read three several times, title and history agreed to, were disposed of in the following manner:

HB 218 passed as follows:

Total 90

Nays: Burnett, Caferro, DeVries, Regier.
Total 4

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax.
Total 6

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 351 passed as follows:

Total 68

Total 26

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Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax.
Total 6

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

**HB 387** passed as follows:

Total 77

Total 17

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax.
Total 6

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

**HB 55** passed as follows:

Total 90
Total  4

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax.
Total  6

Absent or not voting: None.
Total  0

**SJR 12** concurred in as follows:

Total  93

Nays: Lynch.
Total  1

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Bachmeier, Kassmier, Keane, Mortensen, Runningwolf, Weatherwax.
Total  6

Absent or not voting: None.
Total  0
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee meetings were announced by the committee chairs.

Majority Leader Tschida moved the House adjourn until 1:00 p.m., Friday, March 15, 2019. Motion carried.

House adjourned at 2:19 p.m.

LINDSEY VROEGINDEWEY GREG HERTZ
Chief Clerk of the House Speaker of the House