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

Roll Call. All members present, except Representatives Lynch and Runningwolf, excused. Quorum present.

BILLs (Ricci, Chair):

Correctly engrossed: SB 26, SB 35, SB 92, SB 93, SB 139, SB 162, SB 205, SB 232, SB 244, SB 258, SB 262, SB 289, SB 300, SJR 10.
Examined by the sponsor and found to be correct: HB 158, HB 192, HB 290, HB 305.
Transmitted to the Senate: HJR 16, HJR 38, SB 73, SB 101, SB 115, SB 116, SB 130, SB 134, SB 148, SB 150, SB 212, SJR 3.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

EDUCATION (Berglee, Chair):

SB 35, be amended as follows:

1. Title, line 6.
   Following: "TEAMS;"
   Insert: "ALLOWING REGIONAL INTERDISCIPLINARY CHILD INFORMATION AND SCHOOL SAFETY TEAMS; REVISIONING REQUIREMENTS FOR WRITTEN AGREEMENTS;"

2. Title, line 7.
   Following: line 6
   Insert: "20-1-401, 41-3-205, 41-3-208;"
   Following: "41-5-215"
   Strike: "AND"
   Insert: ","
   Following: "52-2-211;"
   Insert: "AND 52-2-304;"

3. Page 1, line 10.
   Insert: "Section 1. Section 20-1-401, MCA, is amended to read:
   "20-1-401. Disaster drills to be conducted regularly -- districts to identify disaster risks and adopt school safety plan. (1) As used in this part, "disaster" means the occurrence or imminent threat of damage, injury, or loss of life or property. Disaster drills must be conducted regularly in accordance with this part.
   (2) A board of trustees shall identify the local hazards that exist within the boundaries of its school district and design and incorporate drills in its school safety plan or emergency operations

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plan to address those hazards.

(3) A board of trustees shall adopt a school safety plan or emergency operations plan that addresses issues of school safety relating to school buildings and facilities, communications systems, and school grounds with the input from the local community and that addresses coordination on issues of school safety, if any, with the county or regional interdisciplinary child information and school safety team provided for in 52-2-211. The trustees shall certify to the office of public instruction that a school safety plan or emergency operations plan has been adopted. The trustees shall review the school safety plan or emergency operations plan periodically and update the plan as determined necessary by the trustees based on changing circumstances pertaining to school safety. Once the trustees have made the certification to the office of public instruction, the trustees may transfer funds pursuant to 20-9-236 to make improvements to school safety and security.”

Insert: "Section 2. Section 41-3-205, MCA, is amended to read:

"41-3-205. Confidentiality -- disclosure exceptions. (1) The case records of the department and its local affiliate, the local office of public assistance, the county attorney, and the court concerning actions taken under this chapter and all records concerning reports of child abuse and neglect must be kept confidential except as provided by this section. Except as provided in subsections (9) and (10), a person who purposely or knowingly permits or encourages the unauthorized dissemination of the contents of case records is guilty of a misdemeanor.

(2) Records may be disclosed to a court for in camera inspection if relevant to an issue before it. The court may permit public disclosure if it finds disclosure to be necessary for the fair resolution of an issue before it.

(3) Records, including case notes, correspondence, evaluations, videotapes, and interviews, unless otherwise protected by this section or unless disclosure of the records is determined to be detrimental to the child or harmful to another person who is a subject of information contained in the records, may be disclosed to the following persons or entities in this state and any other state or country:

(a) a department, agency, or organization, including a federal agency, military enclave, or Indian tribal organization, that is legally authorized to receive, inspect, or investigate reports of child abuse or neglect and that otherwise meets the disclosure criteria contained in this section;

(b) a licensed youth care facility or a licensed child-placing agency that is providing services to the family or child who is the subject of a report in the records or to a person authorized by the department to receive relevant information for the purpose of determining the best interests of a child with respect to an adoptive placement;

(c) a health or mental health professional who is treating the family or child who is the subject of a report in the records;

(d) a parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, brother, sister, guardian, mandatory reporter provided for in 41-3-201(2) and (5), or person designated by a parent or guardian of the child who is the subject of a report in the records or other person responsible for the child's welfare, without disclosure of the identity of any person who reported or provided information on the alleged child abuse or neglect incident contained in the records;

(e) a child named in the records who was allegedly abused or neglected or the child's legal guardian or legal representative, including the child's guardian ad litem or attorney or a special advocate appointed by the court to represent a child in a pending case;

(f) the state protection and advocacy program as authorized by 42 U.S.C. 15043(a)(2);
(g) approved foster and adoptive parents who are or may be providing care for a child;
(h) a person about whom a report has been made and that person's attorney, with respect to the relevant records pertaining to that person only and without disclosing the identity of the reporter or any other person whose safety may be endangered;
(i) an agency, including a probation or parole agency, that is legally responsible for the supervision of an alleged perpetrator of child abuse or neglect;
(j) a person, agency, or organization that is engaged in a bona fide research or evaluation project and that is authorized by the department to conduct the research or evaluation;
(k) the members of an interdisciplinary child protective team authorized under 41-3-108 or of a family group decisionmaking meeting for the purposes of assessing the needs of the child and family, formulating a treatment plan, and monitoring the plan;
(l) the coroner or medical examiner when determining the cause of death of a child;
(m) a child fatality review team recognized by the department, including the child abuse and neglect review commission established in 2-15-2019;
(n) a department or agency investigating an applicant for a license or registration that is required to operate a youth care facility, day-care facility, or child-placing agency;
(o) a person or entity who is carrying out background, employment-related, or volunteer-related screening of current or prospective employees or volunteers who have or may have unsupervised contact with children through employment or volunteer activities. A request for information under this subsection (3)(o) must be made in writing. Disclosure under this subsection (3)(o) is limited to information that indicates a risk to children, persons with developmental disabilities, or older persons posed by the person about whom the information is sought, as determined by the department.
(p) the news media, if disclosure is limited to confirmation of factual information regarding how the case was handled and if disclosure does not violate the privacy rights of the child or the child's parent or guardian, as determined by the department;
(q) an employee of the department or other state agency if disclosure of the records is necessary for administration of programs designed to benefit the child;
(r) an agency of an Indian tribe, a qualified expert witness, or the relatives of an Indian child if disclosure of the records is necessary to meet requirements of the federal Indian Child Welfare Act;
(s) a juvenile probation officer who is working in an official capacity with the child who is the subject of a report in the records;
(t) an attorney who is hired by or represents the department if disclosure is necessary for the investigation, defense, or prosecution of a case involving child abuse or neglect;
(u) a foster care review committee established under 41-3-115 or, when applicable, a citizen review board established under Title 41, chapter 3, part 10;
(v) a school employee participating in an interview of a child by a social worker, county attorney, or peace officer, as provided in 41-3-202;
(w) a member of a county or regional interdisciplinary child information and school safety team formed under the provisions of 52-2-211;
(x) members of a local interagency staffing group provided for in 52-2-203;
(y) a member of a youth placement committee formed under the provisions of 41-5-121;
or
(z) a principal of a school or other employee of the school district authorized by the trustees of the district to receive the information with respect to a student of the district who is a client of the
(4) (a) The records described in subsection (3) must be disclosed to a member of the United States congress or a member of the Montana legislature if all of the following requirements are met:

(i) the member receives a written inquiry regarding a child and whether the laws of the United States or the state of Montana that protect children from abuse or neglect are being complied with or whether the laws need to be changed to enhance protections for children;

(ii) the member submits a written request to the department requesting to review the records relating to the written inquiry. The member's request must include a copy of the written inquiry, the name of the child whose records are to be reviewed, and any other information that will assist the department in locating the records.

(iii) before reviewing the records, the member:

(A) signs a form that outlines the state and federal laws regarding confidentiality and the penalties for unauthorized release of the information; and

(B) receives from the department an orientation of the content and structure of the records.

(b) Records disclosed pursuant to subsection (4)(a) are confidential, must be made available for the member to view at a location determined by the department but may not be copied, recorded, photographed, or otherwise replicated by the member, and must remain solely in the department's possession.

(c) Access to records requested pursuant to this subsection (4) is limited to 6 months from the date the written request to review records was received by the department.

(5) (a) The records described in subsection (3) must be promptly released to any of the following individuals upon a written request by the individual to the department or the department's designee:

(i) the attorney general;

(ii) a county attorney or deputy county attorney of the county in which the alleged abuse or neglect occurred;

(iii) a peace officer, as defined in 45-2-101, in the jurisdiction in which the alleged abuse or neglect occurred;

(iv) the office of the child and family ombudsman.

(b) The records described in subsection (3) must be promptly disclosed by the department to an appropriate individual described in subsection (5)(a) or to a county or regional interdisciplinary child information and school safety team established pursuant to 52-2-211 upon the department's receipt of a report indicating that any of the following has occurred:

(i) the death of the child as a result of child abuse or neglect;

(ii) a sexual offense, as defined in 46-23-502, against the child;

(iii) exposure of the child to an actual and not a simulated violent offense as defined in 46-23-502;

(iv) child abuse or neglect, as defined in 41-3-102, due to exposure of the child to circumstances constituting the criminal manufacture or distribution of dangerous drugs.

(c) (i) The department shall promptly disclose the results of an investigation to an individual described in subsection (5)(a) or to a county or regional interdisciplinary child information and school safety team established pursuant to 52-2-211 upon the determination that:

(A) there is reasonable cause to suspect that a child has been exposed to a Schedule I or Schedule II drug whose manufacture, sale, or possession is prohibited under state law; or

(B) a child has been exposed to drug paraphernalia used for the manufacture, sale, or
possession of a Schedule I or Schedule II drug that is prohibited by state law.

(ii) For the purposes of this subsection (5)(c), exposure occurs when a child is caused or permitted to inhale, have contact with, or ingest a Schedule I or Schedule II drug that is prohibited by state law or have contact with drug paraphernalia as defined in 45-10-101.

(6) A school or school district may disclose, without consent, personally identifiable information from the education records of a pupil to the department, the court, a review board, and the child's assigned attorney, guardian ad litem, or special advocate.

(7) Information that identifies a person as a participant in or recipient of substance abuse treatment services may be disclosed only as allowed by federal substance abuse confidentiality laws, including the consent provisions of the law.

(8) The confidentiality provisions of this section must be construed to allow a court of this state to share information with other courts of this state or of another state when necessary to expedite the interstate placement of children.

(9) A person who is authorized to receive records under this section shall maintain the confidentiality of the records and may not disclose information in the records to anyone other than the persons described in subsections (3)(a) and (5). However, this subsection may not be construed to compel a family member to keep the proceedings confidential.

(10) A news organization or its employee, including a freelance writer or reporter, is not liable for reporting facts or statements made by an immediate family member under subsection (9) if the news organization, employee, writer, or reporter maintains the confidentiality of the child who is the subject of the proceeding.

(11) This section is not intended to affect the confidentiality of criminal court records, records of law enforcement agencies, or medical records covered by state or federal disclosure limitations.

(12) Copies of records, evaluations, reports, or other evidence obtained or generated pursuant to this section that are provided to the parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, brother, sister, guardian, or parent's or guardian's attorney must be provided without cost. (Bracketed language in subsection (3)(m) terminates September 30, 2021--sec. 12, Ch. 235, L. 2017.)

Insert: "Section 3.  Section 41-3-208, MCA, is amended to read:

"41-3-208.  Rulemaking authority.  (1) The department of public health and human services shall adopt rules to govern the procedures used by department personnel in preparing and processing reports and in making investigations authorized by this chapter.

(2) The department may adopt rules to govern the disclosure of case records containing reports of child abuse and neglect.

(3) The department shall adopt a rule specifying the procedure to be used for the release and disclosure of records as provided in 41-3-205(5). In adopting the rule, the department shall collaborate with the attorney general, the office of the child and family ombudsman, and appropriate county attorneys, law enforcement agencies, and county or regional interdisciplinary child information and school safety teams established pursuant to 52-2-211."

Renumber: subsequent sections

Following: "county"
Insert: "or regional"
   Following: "County"
   Insert: "or regional"

   Strike: "form"
   Insert: "ensure the formation of"

   Following: "county"
   Insert: "or regional"
   Following: "team"
   Strike: remainder of line 9
   Insert: "that includes"

   Following: "representatives"
   Insert: "authorized by any"

   Strike: "all public school districts"
   Insert: "any board of trustees of a public school district"

    Following: line 18
    Insert: "(2) Officials under subsection (1) from one county may also cooperate with officials under subsection (1) from any other county to form regional interdisciplinary child information and school safety teams, in which case access to information under 41-5-215(2) is authorized for all members of the regional team for each county participating in a regional team. The formation of regional teams must be formalized by written agreement between participating counties."
    Renumber: subsequent subsections

    Strike: "signing a written agreement under subsection (1)"
    Insert: "listed in subsection (1) or (2)"

    Strike: "sign the written agreement and"

    Following: "purpose."
    Strike: remainder of line 29
   **Strike:** "and written agreement"

   **Strike:** "subsection (1) or (2)"
   **Insert:** "this section"

   **Strike:** "The terms of the"
   **Insert:** "A"
   **Strike:** "must"
   **Insert:** "may be created to"

17. Page 4, line 11.
   **Following:** "team."
   **Insert:** "Any agreement created may not limit access of any team member to information under 41-5-215(2)."

   **Following:** "(6)"
   **Strike:** "The" through "will"
   **Insert:** "An interdisciplinary child information and school safety team shall"

   **Following:** "county"
   **Insert:** "or regional"

20. Page 4, line 18 through line 19.
    **Following:** "team."
    **Strike:** remainder of line 18 through "that the" on line 19
    **Insert:** "The"

    **Following:** "disclosed"
    **Strike:** remainder of line 19 through "disclosed" on line 21
    **Insert:** "may not disclose any information"

    **Following:** the first "of"
    **Strike:** "the"
    **Insert:** "any"
    **Strike:** "subsection (1)"
    **Insert:** "this section"
Strike: "subsection (1)"
Insert: "this section"

Insert: "Section 6. Section 52-2-304, MCA, is amended to read:"

"52-2-304. Committee duties. (1) The committee established in 52-2-303 shall, to the extent possible within existing resources:
(a) develop policies aimed at eliminating or reducing barriers to the implementation of a system of care;
(b) promote the development of an in-state quality array of core services in order to assist in returning high-risk children with multiagency service needs from out-of-state placements, limiting and preventing the placement of high-risk children with multiagency service needs out of state, and maintaining high-risk children with multiagency service needs within the least restrictive and most appropriate setting;
(c) advise local agencies to ensure that the agencies comply with applicable statutes, administrative rules, and department policy in committing funds and resources for the implementation of unified plans of care for high-risk children with multiagency service needs and in making any determination that a high-risk child with multiagency service needs cannot be served by an in-state provider;
(d) encourage the development of local interagency teams with participation from representatives from child serving agencies who are authorized to commit resources and make decisions on behalf of the agency represented;
(e) specify outcome indicators and measures to evaluate the effectiveness of the system of care;
(f) develop mechanisms to elicit meaningful participation from parents, family members, and youth who are currently being served or who have been served in the children's system of care; and
(g) take into consideration the policies, plans, and budget developed by any service area authority provided for in 53-21-1006.
(2) The committee shall coordinate responsibility for the development of a stable system of care for high-risk children with multiagency service needs that may include, as appropriate within existing resources:
(a) pooling funding from federal, state, and local sources to maximize the most cost-effective use of funds to provide services in the least restrictive and most appropriate setting to high-risk children with multiagency service needs;
(b) applying for federal waivers and grants to improve the delivery of integrated services to high-risk children with multiagency service needs;
(c) providing for multiagency data collection and for analysis relevant to the creation of an accurate profile of the state's high-risk children with multiagency service needs in order to provide for the use of services based on client needs and outcomes and use of the analysis in the decision making process;
(d) developing mechanisms for the pooling of human and fiscal resources; and
(e) providing training and technical assistance, as funds permit, at the local level regarding governance, development of a system of care, and delivery of integrated multiagency children's
services.

(3) (a) In order to maximize integration and minimize duplication, the local interagency team, provided for in subsection (1)(d), may be facilitated in conjunction with an existing statutory team for providing youth services, including:
   (i) a child protective team as provided for in 41-3-108;
   (ii) a youth placement committee as provided for in 41-5-121 and 41-5-122;
   (iii) a county or regional interdisciplinary child information and school safety team or an auxiliary team as provided for in 52-2-211;
   (iv) a foster care review committee as provided for in 41-3-115;
   (v) a local citizen review board as provided for in 41-3-1003; and
   (vi) a local advisory council as provided for in 53-21-702.
   (b) If the local interagency team decides to coordinate and consolidate statutory teams, it shall ensure that all state and federal rules, laws, and policies required of the individual statutory teams are fulfilled."

Renumber: subsequent section

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

SB 60, be concurred in. Report adopted.
SB 92, be amended as follows:

1. Page 3, line 8.
   Following: "this subsection (3)."
   Strike: "Except as provided in subsection (3)(g), the"
   Insert: "The"

2. Page 3, line 12.
   Strike: "section"
   Insert: "subsection (3)"

   Following: "pursuant to this"
   Strike: "section"
   Insert: "subsection (3)"

   Following: "pursuant to this"
   Strike: "section"
   Insert: "subsection (3)"

And, as amended, be concurred in. Report adopted.
SB 139, be amended as follows:

1. Page 2, line 19.
   Following: "20-6-701"
   Insert: "that is employing a retired member in a position in a school in the district that had 120 or fewer regularly enrolled pupils in the school year prior to the employment of the retired member"

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

SB 140, be concurred in. Report adopted.

ENERGY, TECHNOLOGY AND FEDERAL RELATIONS (Zolnikov, Chair): 4/1/2019

SB 93, be amended as follows:

1. Title, page 1, line 10.
   Following: "CASES;"
   Insert: "PROVIDING FOR APPEALS;"

   Following: line 30
   Insert: "(4) "Electric utility" means any public utility or cooperative utility that provides electricity for sale to customers."
   Renumber: subsequent subsections

   Following: "that"
   Strike: "have"
   Insert: ":
      (a) has"
   Following: "megawatts"
   Strike: ":" 
   Insert: "; and 
      (b) produces electricity that is owned by or sold to an electric utility."

4. Page 2, line 16.
   Strike: "6"
   Insert: "12"

   Following: "(3)"
   Insert: "(a)"

   Following: line 7
Insert: "(b) The department shall notify the owner of the facility of any modification. The owner of the wind generation facility or solar facility may appeal a modification by the department of a plan for decommissioning to the board within 60 days of receiving notice of the modification to the plan."

7. Page 4, line 8 through line 9.
Following: "2018;"
Insert: "and"
Following: "facility" on line 8
Strike: "" on line 8 through "capacity" on line 9

8. Page 4, line 10 through line 11.
Following: "2020;"
Insert: "and"
Following: "facility" on line 10
Strike: "" on line 10 through "capacity" on line 11

Following: the second "department"
Insert: "shall provide notice to the facility owner. If after 30 days the owner of a wind generation facility or solar facility has not submitted a decommissioning bond, the department"

Following: "may"
Insert: "submit an amended plan for the department's approval. As part of the submission, the owner of a wind generation facility or solar facility may also"

11. Page 5, line 22.
Following: "solar facility"
Insert: "in accordance with the plan required in 75-26-304"

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

SB 244, be amended as follows:

1. Title, page 1, line 6.
Strike: "AMENDING SECTION 69-8-210, MCA;"

2. Page 1, line 10.
Following: "(1)"
Strike: "The"
Insert: "If the"
Strike: "shall approve"
Insert: "approves"
3. Page 1, line 11 through line 12.
Strike: "." on line 11 through "utility" on line 12
Insert: ", the cost-tracking adjustment"

4. Page 1, line 18.
Strike: "(3)"
Insert: "(2)"

5. Page 1, line 19.
Strike: "(4)"
Insert: "(3)"

6. Page 1, line 22 through line 30.
Strike: section 2 in its entirety
Renumber: subsequent sections

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

JUDICIARY (Doane, Chair): 4/2/2019
SB 26, be amended as follows:

1. Title, page 1, line 6.
Strike: "MAY"
Insert: "SHALL"

2. Page 1, line 19.
Strike: "by the"

3. Page 1, line 20.
Strike: "county" through "EXCEPT"

4. Page 1, line 21.
Strike: "MAY"
Insert: "shall"

5. Page 1, line 23.
Strike: "IS RESPONSIBLE FOR"
Insert: "and the attorney general must split the"

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

SB 90, be concurred in. Report adopted.
SB 192, be concurred in. Report adopted.
SB 205, be amended as follows:
And, as amended, be concurred in. Report adopted.

SB 220, be concurred in. Report adopted.  

SB 262, be amended as follows:

1. Title, page 1, line 6.  
Strike: "UNDER 16 YEARS OF AGE"

2. Page 1, line 10.  
Strike: "under 16 years of age"

3. Page 1, line 11.  
Strike: "16"
Insert: "18"

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

SB 300, be amended as follows:

1. Title, page 1, line 5.  
Following: "REVISING" 
Insert: "REAL"

2. Title, page 1, line 6.  
Following: line 5 
Insert: "REAL"

3. Title, page 1, line 7.  
Strike: "OWNER'S BASIC RIGHTS" 
Insert: "OWNER" 
Following: "THAN" 
Insert: "THOSE RESTRICTIONS THAT EXISTED"

4. Title, page 1, line 8.  
Following: "ACQUIRED THE"
5. Page 1, line 12.
Following: "restrictions --"
Insert: "real"
Following: "(1)"
Insert: "(a)"

Following: "covenant"
Strike: "or"
Insert: ","
Following: "condition"
Insert: ", or restriction"

7. Page 1, line 14.
Strike: "a member’s basic rights to use"
Following: "the"
Insert: "types of use of a"

8. Page 1, line 16.
Following: "affected"
Insert: "real"
Following: "agrees"
Strike: "to the restriction"

9. Page 1, line 17.
Following: "covenant"
Strike: "or"
Insert: ","
Following: "condition"
Insert: ", or restriction"

10. Page 1, following line 17.
Insert: "(b) When a member claims the benefit of this subsection (1), the member shall request that the homeowners’ association record, or allow recording of, the exception applicable to the member. Upon request by the member, the homeowners’ association, the member, or a designee shall record the member’s exception with the office of the county clerk and recorder of the county where the real property is situated. The member shall provide the homeowners’ association with the date the real property was conveyed to the member and shall pay the recording fees for the document setting forth the exception."

11. Page 1, line 22.
Following: "member"
Insert: "or unless the successor-in-interest is a lender that acquired the real property through
**Following:** line 22
**Insert:** "(3) This section does not apply to a covenant, condition, or restriction:
(a) that is not subject to enforcement by a homeowners' association; or
(b) that is required in order to comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations."
**Renumber:** subsequent subsections

13. Page 1, line 24.
**Following:** "limiting"
**Insert:** "the types of use of"
**Following:** "member's"
**Strike:** "basic rights"
**Insert:** "real property"

14. Page 1, line 29.
**Strike:** "basic rights"
**Insert:** "types of use"

15. Page 1, line 30.
**Strike:** "member that existed"
**Insert:** "member's real property that were allowed"

16. Page 1, line 30.
**Following:** "affected"
**Insert:** "real"

17. Page 2, line 2 through line 6.
**Strike:** subsection (a) in its entirety
**Renumber:** subsequent subsections

**Following:** "subdivision;"
**Strike:** "and"
**Insert:** "or"

19. Page 2, following line 19.
**Insert:** "(e) "Types of use" means the following lawful types of use of the real property:
(i) use for residential, agricultural, or commercial purposes, unless the use was impermissible according to the written or recorded restrictions;
(ii) the ability to rent the real property, including the land and structures on the real property, for any amount of time; and
(iii) the ability to otherwise develop the real property in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations."

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state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations, unless the ability was impermissible according to the written or recorded restrictions."

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

**NATURAL RESOURCES** (White, Chair): 4/1/2019

- SB 41, be concurred in. Report adopted.
- SB 81, be concurred in. Report adopted.
- SB 151, be concurred in. Report adopted.

**STATE ADMINISTRATION** (Mandeville, Chair): 4/2/2019

- SB 162, be amended as follows:
  1. Title, page 1, line 6.
     **Following:** "ADMINISTRATORS"
     **Insert:** "IN CERTAIN COUNTIES"
  2. Title, page 1, line 10.
     **Following:** "$PENALTIES;"
     **Insert:** "$REVISING ABSENTEE BALLOT RETURN PROVISIONS;"
  3. Title, page 1, line 11.
     **Strike:** "AND"
     **Following:** "13-19-312,"
     **Insert:** "AND 13-35-704,"
     **Following:** "MCA"
     **Insert:** "; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE"
     **Strike:** "After"
     **Insert:** "Except as provided in subsection (8), after"
  5. Page 3.
     **Following:** line 10
     **Insert:** "(8) For a county with fewer than 8,000 registered electors or fewer than 5,000 absentee electors at the close of regular registration, the ballot preparation process described in subsection (7)(a) may not begin sooner than 1 business day before election day."
     **Renumber:** subsequent subsections
     **Following:** "must be"
     **Insert:** "open to"
     **Following:** "public"
     **Insert:** "observation"
Strike: the first "and" through "declared"

Strike: "may" on line 11 through "in" on line 13 
Insert: "is subject to"

9. Page 5, line 14 through line 15. 
Strike: "may" on line 14 through "in" on line 15 
Insert: "is subject to"

Following: "tally" 
Insert: "--- penalty"

Strike: "8 p.m. on the date of the election" 
Insert: "the polls close as provided in 13-1-106"

Strike: "MAKES" on line 3 through "ELECTION" on line 4 
Insert: "violates subsection (1)"

Following: line 6 
Insert: "Section 10. Section 13-35-704, MCA, is amended to read: 
"13-35-704. Record of delivery. An individual permitted to collect and convey a ballot under 13-35-703(2)(c) through (2)(f) shall sign a registry when delivering the ballot to the polling place, a place of deposit, or the election administrator's office. In addition to the signature requirement, the individual collecting and conveying the ballot shall provide the following information: 
(1) the individual's name, address, and phone number; 
(2) the voter's name and address; and 
(3) the individual's relationship to the voter required to collect and convey a ballot pursuant to 13-35-703(2)(c) through (2)(f)."
Renumber: subsequent section

Strike: "1" 
Insert: "9"

Strike: "1" 
Insert: "9"
Following: line 9
Insert: "NEW SECTION.  Section 12.  Effective date. [This act] is effective on passage and approval."

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

SB 231, be concurred in.  Report adopted.
SB 232, be amended as follows:

1. Page 1, line 22.  
Following: "(4)"
Insert: "(a)"

2. Page 1, line 23.  
Following: "place."
Insert: "(b)"

3. Page 1, line 28.  
Strike: "WITHIN 1 WEEK FOLLOWING THE ELECTION,"
Following: "PROVIDE"
Insert: "with its regular report on election costs to"

4. Page 1, line 29.  
Strike: "WITH A REPORT DETAILING THE"
Insert: "any"
Following: "INCURRED"
Insert: "for use of a building pursuant to this subsection (4)(b)"

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

SB 258, be amended as follows:

1. Page 1, line 18 through line 19.  
Strike: "an officer" on line 18 through "or" on line 19

2. Page 1, line 19.  
Following: "treasurer,"
Insert: "deputy treasurer, secretary, vice chairperson, or chairperson, as designated pursuant to 13-37-201(2)(b),"
Following: "or the"
Insert: "named"
3. Page 1, line 20.

Strike: "treasurer"
Insert: "officer"

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

SJR 10, be amended as follows:

1. Page 1, line 17 through page 1, line 18.
Strike: "since 1523"

2. Page 1, line 24.
Strike: "film,"

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

TAXATION (Redfield, Chair):

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Senate bills passed and transmitted to the House for concurrence:

SB 204, introduced by M. MacDonald
SB 216, introduced by R. Webb
SB 245, introduced by M. McNally
SB 312, introduced by J. Small
SB 328, introduced by T. Richmond
SB 331, introduced by T. Richmond
SB 337, introduced by J. Welborn
SB 338, introduced by T. Gauthier
SB 352, introduced by F. Thomas

House amendments to Senate bills concurred in:

SB 119, introduced by M. Blasdel
SB 226, introduced by G. Vance
SB 295, introduced by T. Richmond
SB 310, introduced by R. Osmundson

House bills concurred in and returned to the House:

HB 318, introduced by F. Garner
HB 351, introduced by W. McKamey
HB 387, introduced by L. Jones

House bill concurred in as amended and returned to the House for concurrence in Senate amendments:

HB 15, introduced by W. Curdy

Conference Committee Report No.1 adopted:

HB 35, introduced by E. Buttrey

Senate bills passed and transmitted to the House for concurrence:

SB 69, introduced by M. Blasdel
SB 239, introduced by J. Ellsworth
SB 265, introduced by T. Jacobson
SB 266, introduced by M. Blasdel
SB 319, introduced by D. Kary
SB 321, introduced by B. Hoven
SB 324, introduced by T. Jacobson
SB 326, introduced by N. McConnell
SB 330, introduced by M. Blasdel
SB 333, introduced by J. Cohenour
SB 334, introduced by B. Hoven
SB 341, introduced by M. Blasdel
SB 343, introduced by T. Richmond
SB 344, introduced by M. Lang
SB 346, introduced by S. Fitzpatrick
SB 349, introduced by J. Cohenour
SB 351, introduced by J. Ellsworth
SB 353, introduced by J. Cohenour
SB 354, introduced by A. Olszewski
SB 358, introduced by T. Gauthier
SB 360, introduced by T. Jacobson
SB 362, introduced by M. Lang
SB 363, introduced by D. Ankney
SB 364, introduced by D. Brown
SB 365, introduced by D. Brown

Senate joint resolution passed and transmitted to the House for concurrence:

SJR 13, introduced by M. Cufee
House bill concurred in as amended and returned to the House for concurrence in Senate amendments:

HB 129, introduced by R. Fitzgerald

House bill not concurred in and returned to the House:

HB 279, introduced by B. Brown

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

April 1, 2019

The Honorable Greg Hertz
Speaker of the House
State Capitol
Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Speaker Hertz:

On Monday, April 1, 2019, I signed the following bills:

House Bill 29—Manzella
House Bill 90—Gunderson
House Bill 99—Garner
House Bill 239—Marler
House Bill 299—Krotkov
House Bill 320—Mercer
House Bill 368—Lynch
House Bill 373—Dunn
House Bill 382—Caferro

Sincerely,

STEVE BULLOCK
Governor

FIRST READING AND COMMITMENT OF BILLS

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

HJR 42, introduced by T. Winter, referred to Natural Resources.
The following Senate bills were introduced, read first time, and referred to committees:

**SB 69**, introduced by M. Blasdel (by request of the Revenue and Transportation Interim Committee), referred to Taxation.


**SB 239**, introduced by J. Ellsworth, referred to Taxation.

**SB 245**, introduced by M. McNally, referred to Taxation.

**SB 265**, introduced by T. Jacobson, referred to Taxation.


**SB 312**, introduced by J. Small, F. Thomas, referred to Judiciary.


**SB 321**, introduced by B. Hoven, referred to Taxation.

**SB 324**, introduced by T. Jacobson, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 326**, introduced by N. McConnell, S. Fitzpatrick, referred to State Administration.

**SB 328**, introduced by T. Richmond, referred to Taxation.


**SB 331**, introduced by T. Richmond, D. Ankney, referred to Energy, Technology and Federal Relations.


**SB 334**, introduced by B. Hoven, T. Jacobson, referred to Taxation.

**SB 337**, introduced by J. Welborn, J. Cohenour, referred to Taxation.


**SB 343**, introduced by T. Richmond, referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 344**, introduced by M. Lang, referred to Fish, Wildlife and Parks.

**SB 346**, introduced by S. Fitzpatrick, referred to Taxation.


**SB 351**, introduced by J. Ellsworth, referred to Business and Labor.

**SB 352**, introduced by F. Thomas, B. Tschida, referred to Appropriations.

**SB 353**, introduced by J. Cohenour, M. Cuffe, referred to Transportation.

**SB 354**, introduced by A. Olszewski, D. Ankney, D. Bartel, B. Beard, D. Bedey, K. Bogner,

SB 358, introduced by T. Gauthier, referred to Business and Labor.
SB 360, introduced by T. Jacobson, referred to Taxation.
SB 362, introduced by M. Lang, referred to Judiciary.
SB 363, introduced by D. Ankney, referred to State Administration.
SB 364, introduced by D. Brown, referred to State Administration.
SB 365, introduced by D. Brown, referred to Transportation.

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

SJR 13, introduced by M. Cuffe, referred to State Administration.

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 T. Moore in the chair.

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

SB 126 - Majority Leader Tschida moved consideration of SB 126 be passed for the day. Without objection, so ordered.

HB 238 - Senate Amendments - Representative Manzella moved Senate amendments to HB 238 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 58

Total 42

Voted absentee: Runningwolf, Aye; Lynch, No.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 268 - Senate Amendments - Representative Greef moved Senate amendments to HB 268 be not concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 63

Total 37

Voted absentee: Runningwolf, Aye; Lynch, No.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 586 - Senate Amendments - Representative Hamlett moved Senate amendments to HB 586 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Holmlund, Hopkins, Jones, Karjala, Kassmier, Keane, Kelker, Keogh, Kerr-Carpenter, 
Knudsen C, Knudsen R, Krautter, Krotkov, Lenz, Loge, Lynch, Mandeville, Manzella, Marler, 
McKamey, Mercer, Moore E, Moore T, Morigeau, Mortensen, Noland, Olsen, Peppers, Perry, 
Pierson, Pope, Read, Redfield, Regier, Ricci, Runningwolf, Ryan, Sales, Schreiner, Shaw, 
Skees, Smith, Stewart Peregoy, Sullivan, Sweeney, Tschida, Usher, Vinton, Weatherwax, 
Webb, Welch, White, Windy Boy, Winter, Woods, Zolnikov, Mr. Speaker.
Total 99

Nays: Burnett.
Total 1

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

SB 23 - Representative C. Knudsen moved SB 23 be concurred in. Motion failed as follows:

Yeas: Bartel, Beard, Berglee, Brown B, Burnett, DeVries, Doane, Dooling, Dunn, Duram, 
Fleming, Fuller, Galloway, Galt, Garcia, Glimm, Greef, Gunderson, Holmlund, Kassmier, 
Knudsen C, Knudsen R, Mandeville, Manzella, McKamey, Mercer, Moore E, Moore T, 
Mortensen, Noland, Read, Redfield, Regier, Ricci, Skees, Tschida, Usher, Vinton, Webb, 
White, Zolnikov, Mr. Speaker.
Total 42

Nays: Abbott, Anderson, Bachmeier, Bahr, Ballance, Bedey, Bessette, Bishop, Brown Z, 
Buttrey, Caferro, Curdy, Custer, Dudik, Dunwell, Farris-Olsen, Fern, Fitzgerald, Funk, Garner, 
Grubbs, Hamilton, Hamlett, Harvey, Hayman, Hopkins, Jones, Karjala, Keane, Kelker, Keogh, 
Kerr-Carpenter, Krautter, Krotkov, Loge, Lynch, Marler, Morigeau, Olsen, Peppers, Perry, 
Pierson, Pope, Runningwolf, Ryan, Sales, Schreiner, Shaw, Smith, Stewart Peregoy, Sullivan, 
Total 57

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, No.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Lenz.
Total 1
SB 38 - Representative Pierson moved SB 38 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 72

Total 28

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

SB 78 - Representative Olsen moved SB 78 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 51

Total 49

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.
Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total  2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total  0

SB 133 - Representative Anderson moved SB 133 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total  82

Total  18

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total  2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total  0

SB 154 - Representative Greef moved SB 154 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total  94
Nays: Curdy, Dudik, Kerr-Carpenter, Schreiner, Sullivan.
Total 5

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Bartel.
Total 1

SB 177 - Representative Redfield moved SB 177 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 100

Nays: None.
Total 0

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

SB 191 - Representative Zolnikov moved SB 191 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 97

Nays: Burnett, Garcia, Knudsen R.
Total 3

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

SB 197 - Representative Beard moved SB 197 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 99

Nays: Burnett.
Total 1

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

SB 264 - Representative Harvey moved SB 264 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Yeas: Abbott, Anderson, Bachmeier, Bahr, Ballance, Beard, Bessette, Bishop, Brown Z, Buttrey, Caferro, Curdy, Custer, Dooling, Dudik, Dunwell, Duram, Farris-Olsen, Fern,
Total  73

Total  27

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total  2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total  0

SB 268 - Representative Galt moved SB 268 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total  98

Nays: DeVries, Knudsen R.
Total  2

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total  2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total  0
SB 270 - Representative Sullivan moved SB 270 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total  99

Nays: Beard.
Total  1

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total  2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total  0

SB 276 - Representative Skees moved SB 276 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total  97

Total  3

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.
Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total  2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total  0

SB 289 - Representative Kelker moved SB 289 be concurred in.

SB 289 - Representative Caferro moved SB 289, second reading copy, be amended as follows:

1. Title, page 1, line 7 through line 9.
   Strike: "AND MANDATORY" on line 7 through "REPORTING" on line 8
   Strike: "SECTIONS 41-3-201 AND" on line 9
   Insert: "SECTION"

2. Page 3, line 6 through page 5, line 7.
   Strike: section 1 in its entirety
   Renumber: subsequent sections

Amendment adopted as follows:

Total  72

Total  27

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total  2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.
Total  1
SB 289 - Representative Sheldon-Galloway moved consideration of SB 289 be passed for the day. Motion failed as follows:

Total 33

Total 65

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

SB 289 - Representative Kelker moved SB 289, as amended, be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 77

Total 23

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, Aye.
Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

**SB 305** - Representative Loge moved **SB 305** be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 55

Total 44

Voted absentee: Lynch, Runningwolf, No.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Read.
Total 1

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

Total 90
Nays: Bessette, Bishop, Dunn, Dunwell, Tschida.
Total 5

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Hopkins, Moore T, Winter.
Total 3

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 205** passed as follows:

Total 95

Nays: DeVries, Regier, Tschida.
Total 3

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

**HB 601** passed as follows:

HJR 16 passed as follows:

Total  71

Total  26

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total  2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.
Total  1

HJR 16 passed as follows:

Total  71

Total  26

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total  2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.
Total  1
HJR 38 passed as follows:


Total 90

Nays: DeVries, Glimm, Gunderson, Mandeville, Noland, Tschida, White.

Total 7

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.

Total 2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.

Total 1

SB 73 concurred in as follows:


Total 87


Total 10

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.

Total 2
Absent or not voting: Hamilton.
Total 1

SB 101 concurred in as follows:

Total 93

Total 4

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.
Total 1

SB 115 concurred in as follows:

Total 92

Total 5

Voted absentee: None.
Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.  
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.  
Total 1

SB 116 concurred in as follows:

Total 86

Total 11

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.  
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.  
Total 1

SB 130 concurred in as follows:

Total 82
Total 15

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.
Total 1

SB 134 concurred in as follows:

Total 70

Total 27

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.
Total 1

SB 148 concurred in as follows:

Total 54
Total 43

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.
Total 1

SB 150 concurred in as follows:

Total 74

Total 23

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.
Total 1

SB 212 concurred in as follows:

Total 81

Total 16

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.
Total 1

**SJR 3** concurred in as follows:

Total 76

Total 21

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.
Total 1
Majority Leader Tschida moved the Speaker be authorized to appoint a Conference Committee to meet with a like committee from the Senate to confer on Senate Amendments to HB 268 and request the Senate to appoint a like committee. Without objection, Speaker Hertz appointed:

Representative Greef
Representative Doane
Representative Farris-Olsen

Majority Leader Tschida moved to re-refer SB 289 to the Appropriations Committee. Without objection, so ordered.

Representative Skees moved the House Adjourn Sine Die.

Motion failed as follows:

Total 28

Total 69

Voted absentee: None.

Excused: Lynch, Runningwolf.
Total 2

Absent or not voting: Hamilton.
Total 1
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Duram rose on a Point of Personal Privilege to provide the members with an update on the condition of Trooper Palmer, who on March 15, 2019, was injured in the line of duty.

Committee meetings were announced by the committee chairs.

Majority Leader Tschida moved the House adjourn until 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 3, 2019. Motion carried.

House adjourned at 3:00 p.m.