Senate convened at 1:00 p.m. President Sales presiding. Invocation by Senator MacDonald. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call. Forty-nine members present, Senator Esp excused. Quorum present.

**BILLS AND JOURNALS** (Keenan, Chair): 3/18/2019
Mr. President: We, your committee on Bills and Journals, having examined the daily journals for the forty-first through the forty-fifth legislative days, find the same to be correct.

Correctly printed: SB 247, SB 334, HB 29, HB 205, HB 238, HB 239, HB 348, HB 370, HB 373.
Correctly engrossed: SB 183.
Examined by the sponsor and found to be correct: SB 2, SB 58, SJ 12.
Transmitted to the House: SB 200, SB 302, HB 85, HB 299, HB 320, HB 368.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES** (Salomon, Chair): 3/15/2019
SR 17, be adopted.
SR 18, be adopted.
SR 19, be adopted.
HB 388, be concurred in.
HB 619, be concurred in.

Without objection, committee reports were adopted.

**MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

**Regarding appointments** to the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation and the Transportation Commission:

March 8, 2019

The Honorable Scott Sales
President, Montana State Senate
Capitol Station
Helena, MT 59620

By Electronic Delivery

Dear President Sales:

**STATE INTERNET/BBS COPY**
In accordance with Montana Code Annotated 5-5-302, I submit to you and the Montana Senate the included list of board, council and commission appointments for confirmation.

I have included the appropriate statutes and appointees’ resumes, biography or other qualification documentation for your consideration.

Stacey Otterstrom, my Boards and Appointments Advisor is available as these appointments move through the confirmation process. She can be reached at (406) 444-4405 or by email at sotterstrom@mt.gov.

Sincerely,

STEVE BULLOCK
Governor

Regarding appointments to the Fish and Wildlife Commission, the Board of Personnel Appeals, the Public Employees’ Retirement Board, the Board of Regents of Higher Education, and the Transportation Commission:

March 15, 2019

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President, Montana State Senate
Capitol Station
Helena, MT 59620

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Sincerely,

STEVE BULLOCK
Governor
March 18, 2019

Senator Scott Sales, President
Montana Senate
Capitol Building
Helena, MT 59601

Dear President Sales:

On Monday, March 18, 2019, I signed Senate Bill 25 -- Blasdel.

Sincerely,

STEVE BULLOCK
Governor

MESSAGES FROM THE OTHER HOUSE

Senate bills concurred in and returned to the Senate: 3/15/2019

SB 56, introduced by J. Ellis
SB 57, introduced by J. Ellis
SB 91, introduced by D. Salomon
SB 137, introduced by S. Hinebauch

House bills passed and transmitted to the Senate for concurrence: 3/15/2019

HB 217, introduced by C. Knudsen
HB 295, introduced by F. Anderson
HB 423, introduced by E. Buttrey
HB 432, introduced by M. Marler
HB 638, introduced by D. Bedey

House bills passed and transmitted to the Senate for concurrence: 3/16/2019

HB 443, introduced by R. Fitzgerald
HB 633, introduced by B. Hamlett
HB 639, introduced by D. Bartel

House joint resolution passed and transmitted to the Senate for concurrence: 3/16/2019

HJ 14, introduced by B. Hamlett
FIRST READING AND COMMITMENT OF BILLS

The following Senate bills were introduced and read first time:

SB 335, introduced by S. Fitzpatrick.
SB 336, introduced by J. Ellis, M. MacDonald.
SB 337, introduced by J. Welborn, J. Cohenour.
SB 338, introduced by T. Gauthier, J. Cohenour.
SB 339, introduced by J. Cohenour.

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

SR 44, introduced by D. Ankney, referred to Energy and Telecommunications.

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

HB 432, introduced by M. Marler, referred to Fish and Game.

The following House bills were introduced and read first time:

HB 443, introduced by R. Fitzgerald.
HB 639, introduced by D. Bartel, B. Mercer, M. Noland, B. Tschida.

The following House joint resolution was introduced and read first time:

Majority Leader Thomas moved the Senate resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for consideration of business on second reading. Motion carried. Senator Malek in the chair.

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

**SB 241** - Majority Leader Thomas moved consideration of **SB 241** be placed below **HB 158** on the second reading board. Without objection, so ordered.

**SR 32** - Senator Fitzpatrick moved that the nomination transmitted by the Governor be concurred in and confirmed by the Senate in accordance with **SR 32**. Resolution adopted as follows:

Total  49

Nays: None.
Total  0

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total  1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total  0

**HB 158** - Senator Bogner moved **HB 158** be concurred in. Senator Ankney disclosed this bill directly affects his family. Motion carried as follows:

Total  49
Nays: None.
Total 0

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

SB 241 - Senator Welborn moved SR 241 do pass. Motion carried as follows:

Total 33

Total 16

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 212 - Senator Salomon moved HB 212 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 49

Nays: None.
Total 0

Paired: None.
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Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 323 - Majority Leader Thomas moved HB 323 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 25

Total 24

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 382 - Senator Boland moved HB 382 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 49

Nays: None.
Total 0

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 450 - Senator Vance moved HB 450 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 49

Nays: None.
Total 0

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 98 - Senator Fielder moved HB 98 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 49

Nays: None.
Total 0

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 99 - Senator Sands moved HB 99 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:
Total 49

Nays: None.
Total 0

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 155 - President Sales moved HB 155 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

Total 49

Nays: None.
Total 0

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 322 - Senator Hinebauch moved HB 322 be concurred in. Motion carried as follows:

C, Tempel, Thomas, Vance, Vuckovich, Webb, Webber, Welborn, Mr President.
Total 38

Nays: Barrett, Boland, Cohenour, Ellis, Gross, MacDonald, Malek, McNally, Phillips, Pomnichowski, Smith F.
Total 11

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

Majority Leader Thomas moved the committee rise and report. Motion carried. Committee arose. Senate resumed. President Sales presiding.

Senator Malek moved the Committee of the Whole report be adopted. Report adopted as follows:

Total 49

Nays: None.
Total 0

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

MOTIONS

Majority Leader Thomas moved that HB 212, heard on second reading this date, be re-referred to the Finance and Claims Committee. Without objection, so ordered.
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:

**SB 247** passed as follows:

Total 49

Nays: None.
Total 0

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

**HB 29** concurred in as follows:

Total 47

Nays: Ankney, Tempel.
Total 2

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0
HB 205 concurred in as follows:

Total 49

Nays: None.
Total 0

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 239 concurred in as follows:

Total 48

Nays: Smith F.
Total 1

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 326 concurred in as follows:

Yeas: Ankney, Barrett, Bennett, Blasdel, Boland, Brown, Cohenour, Cuffe, Ellis, Ellsworth, Fielder, Fitzpatrick, Flowers, Gauthier, Gillespie, Gross, Hinebauch, Hoven, Howard, Jacobson,
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Total  48

Nays: Bogner.
Total  1

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total  1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total  0

**HB 348** concurred in as follows:

Total  46

Total  3

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total  1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total  0

**HB 370** concurred in as follows:

Total  49
Nays: None.
Total 0

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 373 concurred in as follows:

Total 49

Nays: None.
Total 0

Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

HB 90 concurred in as follows:

Total 49

Nays: None.
Total 0
Paired: None.

Excused: Esp.
Total 1

Absent or not voting: None.
Total 0

MOTIONS

Majority Leader Thomas moved that HB 158, heard on second reading this date, be re-referred to the Finance and Claims Committee. Without objection, so ordered.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

Senator Fitzpatrick introduced the Pages for the coming week:

Grace Cumley from Helena, sponsored by Senator Cohenour
Hank Dunn from Eureka, sponsored by Senator Cuffe
Annika Bennion from Sidney, sponsored by Senator Hinebaugh
Adam Track from Brockton, sponsored by Senator F. Smith

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee meetings were announced by the committee chairs.

Majority Leader Thomas moved the Senate adjourn until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 19, 2019, the fifty-sixth legislative day. Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 2:14 p.m.