

**SENATE JOURNAL
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THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY**

Helena, Montana
January 6, 2021

Senate Chambers
State Capitol

Senate convened at 1:00 p.m. President Blasdel presiding. Invocation by Pastor Steve Bostrom. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call. All members present. Quorum present.

BILLS AND JOURNALS (Keenan, Chair):

1/6/2021

Correctly printed: **SB 65, SB 66, SB 67, SB 68, SB 69, SB 70, SB 71, SB 72, SR 2.**

Senator Lang introduced Jack Racicot to the Senate. Mr. Racicot, a previous Senate employee recovering from an accident during the 2019 session, addressed the Senate.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

January 5, 2021

The Honorable Mark Blasdel
President, Montana State Senate
Capitol Station
Helena, MT 59620

Dear President Blasdel:

In accordance with Montana Code Annotated 5-5-302, I submit to you and the Montana Senate my cabinet appointments for confirmation:

- Department of Environmental Quality, Director, **Mr. Christopher Dorrington**, 29 Clark Creek Loop, Clancy MT 59634, appointed January 4, 2021;
- Department of Labor and Industry, Commissioner, **Ms. Laurie Esau**, 780 Tox Drive, Missoula MT 59804, appointed January 4, 2021;
- Department of Military Affairs, Adjutant General, **Major General J. Peter Hronek**, 2765 West Shore Drive, Helena MT 59602, appointed January 4, 2021;
- Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Director, **Ms. Amanda Kaster**, PO Box 5165, Helena MT 59604, appointed January 4, 2021;

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- Department of Revenue, Director, **Mr. Brendan Beatty**, 4230 Oesterle Drive, Helena MT 59602, appointed January 4, 2021;
- Department of Transportation, Director, **Mr. Malcolm D. Long**, 4548 Rangeview Drive, Billings MT 59106, appointed January 4, 2021;
- Department of Corrections, Director, **Brian M. Gootkin**, 833 Turnberry Court, Bozeman MT 59715, appointed January 4, 2021;
- Department of Agriculture, Director, **Michael L. Foster**, 2441 Arabian Ave., Bozeman MT 59718, appointed January 5, 2021.

I have included a packet of materials with each nomination for your consideration. Liane Taylor, my Boards and Appointments Director, will coordinate with your office and Legislative Services as these appointments move through the confirmation process. She can be reached at Liane.Taylor2@mt.gov or by phone at extension 4405.

Thank you in advance for sending these materials on to the State Senate.

Sincerely,

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor

FIRST READING AND COMMITMENT OF BILLS

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

SB 73, introduced by K. Regier, D. Fern, referred to Taxation.

SB 74, introduced by D. Salomon, referred to Highways and Transportation.

SB 75, introduced by D. Salomon, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.

SB 76, introduced by D. Salomon, referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

SB 77, introduced by T. McGillvray, L. Brewster, F. Fleming, C. Friedel, D. Kary, D. Lenz, B. Molnar, K. Seekins-Crowe, C. Smith, M. Stromswold, K. Zolnikov, referred to Taxation.

SB 78, introduced by D. Kary, C. Friedel, T. McGillvray, C. Smith, referred to Taxation.

SB 79, introduced by D. Kary, T. Gauthier, V. Ricci, C. Smith, S. Vinton, referred to Highways and Transportation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee meetings were announced by the committee chairs.

Majority Leader Smith moved the Senate adjourn until 1:00 p.m., Thursday, January 7, 2021. Motion carried.

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Senate adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

MARILYN MILLER
Secretary of the Senate

MARK BLASDEL
President of the Senate