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State Capitol

Senate convened at 12:00 p.m. Senator Tropila, Co-Dean of the Senate, presiding.

Senator Tropila appointed Pastor Keith Johnson as Temporary Chaplain of the Senate and Nancy Clark as Temporary Sergeant-at-Arms.

The colors were presented by the Montana National Guard Honor Guard, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation was given by Pastor Keith Johnson.

Marilyn Miller was appointed temporary Secretary of the Senate.

Secretary Miller called the roll of newly elected Senators:

Ryan K. Zinke, SD 2, Whitefish  
Bruce Tutvedt, SD 3, Kalispell  
John Brueggeman, SD 6, Polson  
Greg W. Hinkle, SD 7, Thompson Falls  
Rick Ripley, SD 9, Wolf Creek  
Brad Hamlett, SD 10, Cascade  
Jonathan Windy Boy, SD 16, Box Elder  
John C. Brenden, SD 18, Scobey  
Donald J. Steinbeisser, SD 19, Sidney  
Sharon Stewart-Peregoy, SD 21, Crow Agency  
Taylor Brown, SD 22, Huntley  
Kim Gillan, SD 24, Billings  
Lynda Moss, SD 26, Billings  
Gary Branae, SD 27, Billings  
Bob Hawks, SD 33, Bozeman  
Joe Balyeat, SD 34, Bozeman  
Debby Barrett, SD 36, Dillon  
Steve Gallus, SD 37, Butte  
Jim Keane, SD 38, Butte  
Christine Kaufmann, SD 41, Helena  
Jesse Laslovich, SD 43, Anaconda  
Jim Shockley, SD 45, Victor  
Carol Williams, SD 46, Missoula  
Ron Erickson, SD 47, Missoula  
Cliff Larsen, SD 50, Missoula

Senator Curtiss, Co-Dean of the Senate, assumed the chair.

The Honorable Jim Rice, Justice of the Montana Supreme Court, administered the official oath to the new Senators.

Secretary Miller called the roll of the Senate. All 50 Senators were present.

## MOTIONS

Senator Peterson moved that the Rules of the Senate and the Joint Rules as reflected in SR1 and SJ1, be printed and placed on members' desks, and be adopted as temporary operating rules of the 61st Legislature. The motion carried unanimously.

Senator Barkus nominated Senator Robert Story of District 30 for the office of President of the Senate of the 61st Legislature, and moved his election carry with it the name of Senator Dan McGee of District 29 for the office of President Pro Tempore. The motion carried unanimously.

President Story assumed the Chair. President Story introduced his family and welcomed the Senators. Senator Story introduced Senator McGee, President Pro Tempore, who provided welcoming remarks.

President Story introduced the Minority Leader, Senator Carol Williams and the Majority Leader, Senator Jim Peterson, who both introduced their families.

Senator Peterson introduced Brent Volf, a music teacher from Great Falls High School, who performed "God Bless the USA."

## REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

### COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES (Esp, Chairman):

We, your Committee on Committees, recommend the following Committee appointments:

#### **Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation**

Steinbeisser, Donald (R) (Ch)  
Murphy, Terry (R) (V Ch)  
Branæ, Gary (D)  
Brown, Taylor (R)  
Hamlett, Bradley Maxon (D)  
Hansen, Ken (Kim) (D)  
Jackson, Verdell (R)  
Larsen, Cliff (D)  
Ripley, Rick (R)

#### **Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs**

Balyeat, Joe (R) (Ch)  
Jackson, Verdell (R) (V Ch)  
Barkus, Gregory (R)  
Brown, Roy (R)  
Keane, Jim (D)  
Peterson, Jim (R)  
Squires, Carolyn (D)  
Steinbeisser, Donald (R)  
Stewart-Peregoy, Sharon (D)  
Tropila, Joseph (D)  
Windy Boy, Jonathan (D)

#### **Committee on Committees**

Esp, John (R) (Ch)  
Bales, Keith (R)  
Black, Jerry (R)  
Essmann, Jeff (R)

Gebhardt, Kelly (R)  
Perry, Gary (R)

**Education and Cultural Resources**

Laible, Rick (R) (Ch)  
Ripley, Rick (R) (V Ch)  
Branæ, Gary (D)  
Brown, Taylor (R)  
Hamlett, Bradley Maxon (D)  
Hawks, Bob (D)  
McGee, Daniel (R)  
Stewart-Peregoy, Sharon (D)  
Zinke, Ryan (R)

**Energy and Telecommunications**

Black, Jerry (R) (Ch)  
Curtiss, Aubyn (R) (V Ch)  
Brown, Roy (R)  
Erickson, Ron (D)  
Esp, John (R)  
Gebhardt, Kelly (R)  
Hawks, Bob (D)  
Lewis, Dave (R)  
Moss, Lynda (D)  
Stewart-Peregoy, Sharon (D)  
Tropila, Mitch (D)

**Ethics**

Shockley, Jim (R) (Ch)  
Hawks, Bob (D)  
Perry, Gary (R)  
Schmidt, Trudi (D)

**Finance and Claims**

Bales, Keith (R) (Ch)  
Lewis, Dave (R) (V Ch)  
Barkus, Gregory (R)  
Barrett, Debby (R)  
Brenden, John (R)  
Brueggeman, John (R)  
Cooney, Mike (D)  
Esp, John (R)  
Gallus, Steve (D)  
Hansen, Ken (Kim) (D)  
Hawks, Bob (D)  
Laible, Rick (R)  
Peterson, Jim (R)  
Ripley, Rick (R)  
Schmidt, Trudi (D)  
Tropila, Mitch (D)  
Wanzenried, David (D)  
Williams, Carol (D)  
Zinke, Ryan (R)

**Fish and Game**

Barkus, Gregory (R) (Ch)  
Brenden, John (R) (V Ch)  
Balyeat, Joe (R)  
Barrett, Debby (R)  
Gallus, Steve (D)  
Jent, Larry (D)  
Schmidt, Trudi (D)  
Shockley, Jim (R)  
Tropila, Joseph (D)

**Highways and Transportation**

Brueggeman, John (R) (Ch)  
Tutvedt, Bruce (R) (V Ch)  
Hinkle, Greg (R)  
Keane, Jim (D)  
Laible, Rick (R)  
Laslovich, Jesse (D)  
Wanzenried, David (D)  
Windy Boy, Jonathan (D)  
Zinke, Ryan (R)

**Judiciary**

Perry, Gary (R) (Ch)  
Shockley, Jim (R) (V Ch)  
Curtiss, Aubyn (R)  
Esp, John (R)  
Hinkle, Greg (R)  
Jent, Larry (D)  
Juneau, Carol (D)  
Larsen, Cliff (D)  
Laslovich, Jesse (D)  
McGee, Daniel (R)  
Moss, Lynda (D)  
Murphy, Terry (R)

**Legislative Administration**

Curtiss, Aubyn (R) (Ch)  
Barkus, Gregory (R)  
Gallus, Steve (D)  
Lewis, Dave (R)  
Tropila, Joseph (D)

**Local Government**

Esp, John (R) (Ch)  
Essmann, Jeff (R) (V Ch)  
Barkus, Gregory (R)  
Erickson, Ron (D)  
Gallus, Steve (D)  
Gillan, Kim (D)  
Jackson, Verdell (R)  
Laslovich, Jesse (D)  
Tutvedt, Bruce (R)

**Natural Resources**

Gebhardt, Kelly (R) (Ch)  
Barrett, Debby (R) (V Ch)  
Curtiss, Aubyn (R)  
Hansen, Ken (Kim) (D)  
Kaufmann, Christine (D)  
Keane, Jim (D)  
Perry, Gary (R)  
Peterson, Jim (R)  
Steinbeisser, Donald (R)  
Tropila, Mitch (D)  
Wanzenried, David (D)

**Public Health, Welfare, and Safety**

Brown, Roy (R) (Ch)  
Murphy, Terry (R) (V Ch)  
Hinkle, Greg (R)  
Juneau, Carol (D)  
Larsen, Cliff (D)  
Lewis, Dave (R)  
Schmidt, Trudi (D)

**Rules**

Peterson, Jim (R) (Ch)  
Barkus, Gregory (R)  
Brenden, John (R)  
Brown, Roy (R)  
Cooney, Mike (D)  
Esp, John (R)  
Essmann, Jeff (R)  
Gallus, Steve (D)  
Gebhardt, Kelly (R)  
Gillan, Kim (D)  
Hawks, Bob (D)  
Laslovich, Jesse (D)  
McGee, Daniel (R)  
Story Jr, Robert (R)  
Wanzenried, David (D)  
Williams, Carol (D)

**State Administration**

Shockley, Jim (R) (Ch)  
Brueggeman, John (R) (V Ch)  
Bales, Keith (R)  
Balyeat, Joe (R)  
Black, Jerry (R)  
Brenden, John (R)  
Cooney, Mike (D)  
Jent, Larry (D)  
Squires, Carolyn (D)  
Tropila, Joseph (D)  
Windy Boy, Jonathan (D)

**Taxation**

Essmann, Jeff (R) (Ch)  
Brown, Taylor (R) (V Ch)  
Black, Jerry (R)  
Branae, Gary (D)  
Erickson, Ron (D)  
Gebhardt, Kelly (R)  
Gillan, Kim (D)  
Hamlett, Bradley Maxon (D)  
Kaufmann, Christine (D)  
Story Jr, Robert (R)  
Tutvedt, Bruce (R)

Senator Esp moved the adoption of the Committee Report. The motion carried unanimously.

Secretary Miller read the report from the Legislative Administration Committee recommending the following staff appointments:

Susan Ames, Secretary to Majority Leader  
Susan Andersen, Assistant Secretary of the Senate  
Bonner Armstrong, Committee Aide  
Kathy Baird, Bills Clerk  
Rick Berger, Status Technician  
Jennifer Bezanson, Minority Intern  
Kelsey Bjelland, Majority Intern  
Nancy Clark, Sergeant at Arms  
Bob Clark, Assistant Sergeant for Security  
Alex Corcoran, Aide to Minority  
Jacob Gehmert, Intern to Senator Larsen  
Prudence Gildroy, Secretary, Finance & Claims  
Libby Goodwin, Secretary, Highways, State Administration  
Carolyn Gorshe, Bills Distributor  
Lindsey Grovom, Word Processing Supervisor  
Joanne Gunderson, Secretarial Supervisor  
David Halvorson, Reading Clerk  
Susie Hamilton, Scanner  
Lindsey Hern, Secretary, Fish & Game, Natural Resources  
Stephanie Hess, Aide to Majority  
Betti Hill, Aide to Majority  
Karli Hill, Aide to Majority  
Linda Keim, Secretary, Business  
Pastor Keith Johnson, Chaplain  
Bobbi Lavinder, Committee Aide  
Joan Linkenbach, Secretary, Agriculture, Public Health  
Mary McGinley, Assistant to Secretary  
Marilyn Miller, Secretary of the Senate  
Joyce Nachtsheim, Assistant Sergeant, Pages  
Mark Olsen, Asst Bills Distributor and Amendment Coordinator  
Cindy Palmer, Aide to Minority  
Cindy Peterson, Journal Clerk  
Debbie Polhemus, Secretary, Tax, Local Govt.  
Carolyn Renaud, Bills Coordinator  
Dan Ritter, Amendments Coordinator  
Colin Roemmich, Committee Aide

Andy Sangray, Security  
Pam Schindler, Secretary, Judiciary  
Tyler Schott, Aide to Majority  
Samantha Schroeder, Committee Aide  
Dan Sidor, Vote Clerk  
Callan Smith, Intern to Sen. Brueggeman  
Carl Spencer, Security  
Katie Spencer, Assistant Sergeant for Supplies  
Nadine Spencer, Secretary, Energy, Education  
Lynn Staley, Secretary to President  
Jana Suchy, Secretary to Minority Leader  
Mike Sullivan, Aide to Minority  
Michaela Wolfinger, Intern to Senator Wanzenried

Senator Curtiss moved the adoption of the Legislative Administration Committee report. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY**

Secretary Miller read the letter of appointments from the President. The President's appointment of Marilyn Miller, Secretary of the Senate, Nancy Clark, Sergeant-at-Arms, and Pastor Keith Johnson, Chaplain to the Senate, for the 61st Legislature was confirmed unanimously by the Senate.

Senator Peterson moved that the President appoint a select committee to notify His Excellency, the Governor, that the Senate is organized and ready for business. The motion carried unanimously. The President appointed Senator Brueggeman (Chair), Senator Gebhardt, Senator Cooney, and Senator Gillan.

Senator Peterson moved that the President appoint a select committee to notify the Chief Justice and members of the Supreme Court that the Senate is organized and ready for the transaction of business. The motion carried unanimously. The President appointed Senator Perry (Chair), Senator Curtiss, Senator Laslovich, and Senator Juneau.

Senator Peterson moved that the President appoint a select committee to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate is organized and ready for business and that the Senate wishes them success in their deliberations. The motion carried unanimously. The President appointed Senator Ripley (Chair), Senator Barrett, Senator Windy Boy, and Senator Branae.

Sen. Peterson moved the Senate stand at ease to await the reports of select committees. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **MESSAGES FROM THE OTHER HOUSE**

The Honorable Committee from the House of Representatives, consisting of Rep. Arlene Becker and Rep. Ken Peterson, reported the House of Representatives was organized.

#### **REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES**

The select committee appointed to notify the Supreme Court reported they had discharged their duty.

The select committee appointed to notify the House of Representatives reported they had discharged their duty.

The select committee appointed to notify the Governor reported they had discharged their duty.

## MOTIONS

Senator Peterson moved that the accredited members of the press, radio, and television be granted the privilege of the Senate floor subject to the rules. The motion carried unanimously.

### FIRST READING AND COMMITMENT OF BILLS

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

- SB 1**, introduced by Cooney, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 2**, introduced by Cooney (by request of the Legislative Council), referred to Finance and Claims.
- SB 3**, introduced by Essmann, referred to Natural Resources.
- SB 4**, introduced by Wanzenried (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to Natural Resources.
- SB 5**, introduced by Erickson (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Natural Resources.
- SB 6**, introduced by Erickson, referred to Local Government.
- SB 7**, introduced by Gebhardt (by request of the Code Commissioner), referred to Judiciary.
- SB 8**, introduced by Hansen, referred to Local Government.
- SB 9**, introduced by Erickson, referred to Local Government.
- SB 10**, introduced by Perry (by request of the Law and Justice Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.
- SB 11**, introduced by J. Peterson (by request of the Revenue and Transportation Interim Committee), referred to Taxation.
- SB 12**, introduced by Steinbeisser, referred to Taxation.
- SB 13**, introduced by Steinbeisser, referred to Fish and Game.
- SB 14**, introduced by Steinbeisser, referred to Fish and Game.
- SB 15**, introduced by Steinbeisser, referred to Fish and Game.
- SB 16**, introduced by Steinbeisser, referred to Fish and Game.
- SB 17**, introduced by Perry (by request of the Water Policy Committee), referred to Local Government.
- SB 18**, introduced by Wanzenried (by request of the Legislative Council), referred to State Administration.
- SB 19**, introduced by Jent, referred to Fish and Game.
- SB 20**, introduced by Jent (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.
- SB 21**, introduced by Story (by request of the Revenue and Transportation Interim Committee), referred to Taxation.
- SB 22**, introduced by Murphy (by request of the Environmental Quality Council and Water Policy Interim Committee), referred to Natural Resources.
- SB 23**, introduced by Wanzenried (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Taxation.
- SB 24**, introduced by Williams (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to State Administration.
- SB 25**, introduced by Wanzenried (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to Natural Resources.
- SB 26**, introduced by Murphy (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- SB 27**, introduced by Hawks (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to Highways and Transportation.
- SB 28**, introduced by Story (by request of the Revenue and Transportation Interim Committee), referred to Taxation.
- SB 29**, introduced by Wanzenried (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Finance and Claims.
- SB 30**, introduced by Gebhardt (by request of the Legislative Council), referred to State Administration.
- SB 31**, introduced by Bales, referred to Fish and Game.
- SB 32**, introduced by Barkus, referred to Fish and Game.
- SB 33**, introduced by Lewis (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Energy and Telecommunications.
- SB 34**, introduced by Lewis (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Local Government.
- SB 35**, introduced by Jent (by request of the Law and Justice Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.
- SB 36**, introduced by Erickson, referred to Taxation.
- SB 37**, introduced by Kaufmann (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to Taxation.
- SB 38**, introduced by Curtiss, referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.



**SB 39**, introduced by Juneau, Calf Boss Ribs, Brueggeman, Fleming, referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 40**, introduced by Juneau (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.

**SB 41**, introduced by Lewis (by request of the Education and Local Government Interim Committee), referred to Education and Cultural Resources.

**SB 42**, introduced by Laslovich (by request of the Department of Labor and Industry), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 43**, introduced by Kaufmann (by request of the Revenue and Transportation Interim Committee), referred to Taxation.

**SB 44**, introduced by Hansen (by request of the Economic Affairs Interim Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.

**SB 45**, introduced by McGee (by request of the Public Defender Commission), referred to Judiciary.

**SB 46**, introduced by McGee, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 47**, introduced by Steinbeisser (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 48**, introduced by Essmann (by request of the Revenue and Transportation Interim Committee), referred to Taxation.

**SB 49**, introduced by Wanzenried (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to State Administration.

**SB 50**, introduced by Shockley (by request of the Law and Justice Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.

**SB 51**, introduced by Murphy (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.

**SB 52**, introduced by Murphy (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.

**SB 53**, introduced by Lewis, referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.

**SB 54**, introduced by Steinbeisser (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 55**, introduced by Steinbeisser (by request of the Department of Agriculture), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.

**SB 56**, introduced by Schmidt, referred to Local Government.

**SB 57**, introduced by Gillan (by request of the Education and Local Government Interim Committee), referred to Local Government.

**SB 58**, introduced by Gillan (by request of the Education and Local Government Interim Committee), referred to Local Government.

**SB 59**, introduced by Laible, referred to Fish and Game.

**SB 60**, introduced by Erickson (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 61**, introduced by Hawks, referred to Local Government.

**SB 62**, introduced by Laible, referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 63**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.

**SB 64**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Highways and Transportation.

**SB 65**, introduced by Hawks (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Finance and Claims.

**SB 66**, introduced by Erickson, referred to Energy and Telecommunications.

**SB 67**, introduced by Laible, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.

**SB 68**, introduced by Wanzenried (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.

**SB 69**, introduced by Branae (by request of the Office of Public Instruction), referred to Education and Cultural Resources.

**SB 70**, introduced by Branae (by request of the Office of Public Instruction), referred to Education and Cultural Resources.

**SB 71**, introduced by Erickson (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 72**, introduced by Laslovich (by request of the Public Service Commission), referred to State Administration.

**SB 73**, introduced by Hawks, referred to Highways and Transportation.

**SB 74**, introduced by Laible, referred to Local Government.

**SB 75**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 76**, introduced by Black (by request of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation and the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 77**, introduced by Juneau (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.

**SB 78**, introduced by Brenden, referred to Local Government.

**SB 79**, introduced by Juneau (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.

**SB 80**, introduced by McGee, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.

**SB 81**, introduced by McGee, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.

**SB 82**, introduced by Steinbeisser (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.

**SB 83**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.

**SB 84**, introduced by Gillan (by request of the Department of Corrections), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 85**, introduced by J. Tropila (by request of the Department of Justice), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 86**, introduced by J. Tropila (by request of the Department of Justice), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 87**, introduced by Essmann, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 88**, introduced by M. Tropila, referred to Highways and Transportation.

**SB 89**, introduced by M. Tropila (by request of the Department of Commerce), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 90**, introduced by Jackson (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.

**SB 91**, introduced by Juneau, Shockley (by request of the Law and Justice Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.

**SB 92**, introduced by Jent, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 93**, introduced by Jent (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 94**, introduced by Jent (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 95**, introduced by Brueggeman (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 96**, introduced by Jent (by request of the Department of Corrections), referred to Judiciary.

**SB 97**, introduced by Wanzenried (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 98**, introduced by Keane (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Local Government.

**SB 99**, introduced by Keane (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to State Administration.

**SB 100**, introduced by Black, referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 101**, introduced by Brueggeman (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 102**, introduced by Brueggeman (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 103**, introduced by Moss (by request of the Department of Justice), referred to Judiciary.

**SB 104**, introduced by Esp (by request of the Department of Livestock), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.

**SB 105**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Taxation.

**SB 106**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Taxation.

**SB 107**, introduced by Lewis (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 108**, introduced by Jent (by request of the Department of Military Affairs), referred to Judiciary.

**SB 109**, introduced by Hawks, referred to Local Government.

**SB 110**, introduced by Ripley (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Local Government.

**SB 111**, introduced by Ripley (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 112**, introduced by Keane (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 113**, introduced by Keane (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 114**, introduced by Wanzenried (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Finance and Claims.

**SB 115**, introduced by Kaufmann (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Taxation.

**SB 116**, introduced by Keane (by request of the Department of Transportation), referred to Taxation.

**SB 117**, introduced by Wanzenried (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Finance and Claims.

**SB 118**, introduced by Jackson (by request of the Department of Agriculture), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.

**SB 119**, introduced by Esp (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.

**SB 120**, introduced by Zinke (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 121**, introduced by Jent (by request of the Commissioner of Political Practices), referred to Judiciary.

**SB 122**, introduced by Jent (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 123**, introduced by Squires (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.

**SB 124**, introduced by Squires (by request of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.

**SB 125**, introduced by Shockley (by request of the Law and Justice Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.

**SB 126**, introduced by Murphy (by request of the Department of Livestock), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.

**SB 127**, introduced by Gillan (by request of the State Auditor), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 128**, introduced by Branae (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Taxation.

**SB 129**, introduced by Lewis (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 130**, introduced by Hamlett (by request of the Department of Livestock), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.

**SB 131**, introduced by Williams (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 132**, introduced by Moss (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Taxation.

**SB 133**, introduced by Kaufmann (by request of the State Auditor), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 134**, introduced by Lewis (by request of the State Auditor), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 135**, introduced by Larsen (by request of the State Auditor), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 136**, introduced by Gebhardt (by request of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation and the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 137**, introduced by Hansen (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 138**, introduced by Hansen (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 139**, introduced by Perry (by request of the Department of Justice), referred to Judiciary.

**SB 140**, introduced by Perry (by request of the Department of Justice), referred to Judiciary.

**SB 141**, introduced by J. Tropila (by request of the State Auditor), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 142**, introduced by Perry, referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 143**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 144**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 145**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 146**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Fire Suppression Committee), referred to Taxation.

**SB 147**, introduced by Hawks (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 148**, introduced by J. Peterson (by request of the Education and Local Government Interim Committee), referred to Local Government.

**SB 149**, introduced by Brueggeman (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Natural Resources.

**SB 150**, introduced by Brueggeman (by request of the Department of Labor and Industry), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 151**, introduced by Brueggeman (by request of the State Auditor), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SB 152**, introduced by Brueggeman (by request of the Department of Justice), referred to Highways and Transportation.

**SB 153**, introduced by Brueggeman (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Finance and Claims.

**SB 154**, introduced by Gillan (by request of the Department of Justice), referred to Highways and Transportation.

**SB 155**, introduced by Cooney (by request of the Secretary of State), referred to State Administration.

**SB 156**, introduced by Cooney (by request of the Secretary of State), referred to State Administration.

**SB 157**, introduced by Shockley, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 158**, introduced by Barkus, McGee (by request of the Supreme Court), referred to Judiciary.

**SB 159**, introduced by Shockley, referred to Judiciary.

**SB 160**, introduced by Jent (by request of the Attorney General), referred to Judiciary.

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

**SJR 1**, introduced by J. Peterson (by request of the Joint Rules Committee), referred to Rules.

**SJR 2**, introduced by Lewis (by request of the Education and Local Government Interim Committee), referred to Education and Cultural Resources.

**SJR 3**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Education and Local Government Interim Committee), referred to Education and Cultural Resources.

**SJR 4**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Education and Local Government Interim Committee), referred to Education and Cultural Resources.

**SJR 5**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.

**SJR 6**, introduced by Hansen, referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SJR 7**, introduced by Brenden, referred to Natural Resources.

**SJR 8**, introduced by Hawks (by request of the Education and Local Government Interim Committee), referred to Education and Cultural Resources.

**SJR 9**, introduced by Wanzenried (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Education and Cultural Resources.

**SJR 10**, introduced by Erickson (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs.

**SJR 11**, introduced by Brueggeman (by request of the Department of Agriculture), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.

**SJR 12**, introduced by Laible (by request of the Education and Local Government Interim Committee), referred to Education and Cultural Resources.

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

**SR 1**, introduced by J. Peterson (by request of Senate Rules Standing Committee), referred to Rules.

Senator Peterson introduced the newly elected Republican Senators:

Sen. Debby Barrett, SD 36, Dillon  
Sen. John Brenden, SD 18, Scobey  
Sen. Taylor Brown, SD 22, Huntley  
Sen. Greg Hinkle, SD 7, Thompson Falls  
Sen. Rick Ripley, SD 9, Wolf Creek  
Sen. Bruce Tutvedt, SD 3, Kalispell  
Sen. Ryan Zinke, SD 2, Whitefish

Senator Williams introduced the newly elected Democrat Senators:

Sen. Gary Branae, SD 27, Billings  
Sen. Ron Erickson, SD 47, Missoula  
Sen. Bradley Maxon Hamlett, SD 10, Cascade  
Sen. Christine Kaufmann, SD 41, Helena  
Sen. Jim Keane, SD 38, Butte  
Sen. Cliff Larsen, SD 50, Missoula  
Sen. Sharon Stewart-Peregoy, SD 21, Crow Agency  
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy, SD 16, Box Elder

President Story welcomed the new Senators.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

President Story announced Law School for Legislators would be held on January 6, 2009, in the House Chambers.

#### **SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY**

Mr. Volf sang "God Bless America."

Majority Leader Peterson moved that the Senate adjourn until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 6, 2009. Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

MARILYN MILLER  
Secretary of the Senate

ROBERT STORY  
President of the Senate