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Hello Sublette County,

This is Albert Sommers in Cheyenne. Today kicked off the fourth week of the 65th General Session. This morning the Joint Appropriations Committee released HB0001 – General government appropriations, also known as the Budget Bill. It was received for introduction into the House and referred to the House Committee of the Whole.

In the morning session of the House, 13 bills were passed on 2nd reading. Key bills included:

[HB0074](#) – Special purpose depository banks

[HB0076](#) – Wyoming beer freedom act

[HB0108](#) – Contractors – final payment

Eight bills were considered in the House on 3rd reading and were sent to the Senate for consideration. Several of interest include these that I supported:

[HB0014](#) – Mountain daylight time

[HB0099](#) – Wyoming public lands days

[HB0142](#) – Wildlife and natural resources trust account board - duties

The Committee of the Whole dedicated the afternoon to the Budget Bill, [HB0001](#). The bill was read and explanations about the various sections were given.

Additional bills passed by the Committee of the Whole by voice vote included these I support:

[HB0117](#) - College entrance exam-written component.

[HB0132](#) - Hathaway scholarships-award increase.

One of my bills failed the Committee of the Whole:

[HB0136](#) – School district teacher adjustment

This bill would have provided extra funds to smaller school districts to deal with recent budget cuts. Much of the discussion against it focused on the additional costs associated with the bill.

Detailed information about every bill is available at <https://www.wyoleg.gov/Legislation/2019>

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Thank you