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Hello Sublette County, this is Albert Sommers reporting on the second day of the 2020 Budget Session. There have been 333 bills filed so far – 208 in the House and 125 in the Senate. Of these, 28 bills have failed introduction or have been withdrawn by their sponsors. Today, the House debated or voted on over 50 bills for introduction, not all of which passed.

One of the bills I am sponsoring this session, [House Bill 88](#), Livestock board investigators, was approved for introduction and referred to the House Revenue Committee.

Some of the bills that we debated and passed for introduction in the House of Representatives today included these I supported:

- [HB 143](#), Prescription drugs – access and affordability, would look at ways to drive down the high costs of prescription drugs. This bill was approved for introduction and debate and referred to the House Labor Committee.
- [HB0090](#), State lands – notice of lease sales, requires the Office of State Lands and Investment to provide a notice to the private surface owner of any mineral lease sale on that property. This is a bill that I cosponsored.
- [HB0092](#), Pioneer archery licenses, eliminates the requirement for an archery hunter who is over 75 years of age to purchase an archery license. I was a cosponsor of this bill.
- [HB0044](#), Mountain daylight time preservation, starts the process for Wyoming to remain on Mountain Daylight time all year. I was a cosponsor of this bill.

As a member of the Joint Appropriations Committee, I am continuing to work with my colleagues on the Budget with meetings every day. In the coming days, the full body will have a chance to weigh in and vote on the final package. If you are interested in learning more about Wyoming's Budget process, I encourage you to visit <https://wyoleg.gov/StateFinances/StateBudgeting>.

I can be reached with questions or concerns at [albert@albertsommers.com](mailto:albert@albertsommers.com).

Thank you.