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Hello Sublette County, this is Albert Sommers reporting to you from Cheyenne on the eighteenth day of the 2020 Budget Session. We are continuing to work our way through Senate Files. A few of the key bills I supported today that passed Committee of the Whole included:

- SF0035, Health care claims database reporting. This bill, upon approval of the Governor, would allow the department of administration and information to submit health care claims data from the state employees' and officials' group insurance plan to a multi-payer health care claims database to help provide transparency on health care costs in Wyoming.
- SF 36, Large scale solar and wind energy facilities. This bill sets up a system and process to regulate solar energy facilities here in Wyoming, requiring permitting by boards of county commissioners of facilities, establishing minimum standards for solar energy facilities, providing for referrals to the industrial siting council and amending the industrial siting council's jurisdiction over solar energy facilities.
- SF0056, Absentee polling places. The bill would allow the county clerk to establish one or more public buildings within the county for additional satellite absentee polling places to accommodate voters.
- SF 81, Livestock brand administration would amend provisions related to the rerecording of brands, authorizing the extension of the rerecording period for up to one hundred years and repealing the provision for permanently recorded brands.
- SF0091, Global signature authority for health care providers. This bill would allow a physician assistant, acting within the scope of the physician assistant's practice, to fulfill any requirement for a signature, certification, stamp, verification, affidavit, endorsement or other acknowledgement by a physician.

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