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Hello Sublette County, this is Albert Sommers reporting from Cheyenne on March 1, 2021. Today was the first day of our in-person segment of the 2021 General Session. It felt good to be back in the Capitol with the rest of the 66th Legislature. Today, Leadership of the House gave speeches to set the tone for upcoming days. These speeches are usually given on the day of the leadership elections, but we chose to wait until we were in person. You can read my speech on my website, www.albertsommers.com, under 2021 Legislative Updates.

We debated 17 bills in Committee of the Whole today. Among them was [HB0020](#), Driver's license requirements - visual acuity, which will allow the Wyoming Department of Transportation to create visual requirements for drivers through rule making, instead of having the requirements in statute. This will allow the Department more flexibility to react to situations that may arise. [HB0041](#), Intrastate crowdfunding exemption - amendments, expands the amount of money that can be generated in Wyoming through crowdfunding. I co-sponsored [HB0075](#), Voter fraud - prevention, which establishes that an ID is required to vote. The bringer of this bill worked with county clerks, Secretary of State and the AARP to get an acceptable bill drafted. Past attempts have failed, because past bills did not account for older people who do not have Wyoming IDs. Some work still needs to be done on this bill, and it is a long process to the finish line. [HB0086](#), Off-road recreational vehicles registration authorized, would allow dirt bikes to get license plates, similar to ATVs, for use on public roads, if they meet certain safety requirements. All 17 bills passed COW today, including the ones mentioned above.

Details about these and all other 2021 bills can be found at <https://www.wyoleg.gov/Legislation/2021>

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Thank you.