

# SENATE JOURNAL

## ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

### TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE -- FIRST SESSION

Juneau, Alaska

Friday

February 28, 2003

#### Thirty-ninth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Therriault at 10:10 a.m.

The roll showed eighteen members present. Senators Ogan, Wilken were excused from a call of the Senate.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Jim Duncan of the Peninsula Christian Center, Soldotna. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Let's pray:

Heavenly Father, I am grateful for the opportunity to be here this morning, and I'm thankful to be able to pray for those who have answered the call.

They've answered a call of leadership, of servant leadership, and some may even ask why, Lord, at a time like this, with a future that has some difficult navigation to be done. I just pray that we would rely on You. I know that they may ask, Lord, what does the future hold, but we rely on a God that knows the plan and the future for us, and has a hope for us. So we pray that You would bless each Senator. We invoke Your wisdom and insight for state issues and then even as our country navigates global issues, we pray that the same wisdom of our Heavenly Father would be handed down to those in national offices: our President, our Congress. And then we also pray today for travel mercy. We pray, Lord, that You keep

Your hand upon each one that may be traveling  
today. We ask it in Christ's name. Amen.

Senator Lincoln led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Certification**

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

### **Messages from the Governor**

Letter dated February 27 was received, requesting that previously submitted expiration dates for certain appointees to boards and commissions be corrected in order to adhere to AS 39.05.053.

#### **Alaska State Board of Public Accountancy**

Dan F. Kennedy - Wasilla

Appointed: 04/25/03 Expires: 03/01/07

Laura Welles - Kenai

Appointed: 04/25/03 Expires: 03/01/07

#### **State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors**

Robert E. Gilfilian - Anchorage

Appointed: 03/01/03 Expires: 03/01/06

Kimberly Mills - Homer

Appointed: 02/12/03 Expires: 03/01/06

#### **Board of Dispensing Opticians**

Roberta Rawcliffe - Wasilla

Appointed: 02/19/99 Reappointed: 07/18/02

Expires: 03/01/06

**State Board of Education and Early Development**

Shirley Holloway - Anchorage

Appointed: 03/03/03 Expires: 03/01/05

Richard I. Mauer - Delta Junction

Appointed: 02/20/03 Expires 03/01/08

Sylvia Reynolds - Soldotna

Appointed: 02/20/03 Expires 03/01/04

Rex Rock - Point Hope

Appointed: 02/20/03 Expires 03/01/04

**State Commission for Human Rights**

Robert B. Sawyer, Jr. - Fairbanks

Appointed: 02/19/03 Expires: 03/01/08

**Alaska Judicial Council**

Bill Gordon - Fairbanks

Appointed: 05/18/03 Expires: 03/01/09

**State Medical Board**

Dr. G. Bert Flaming - Glennallen

Appointed: 02/12/03 Expires: 03/01/04

Dr. John Troxel - Anchorage

Appointed: 02/12/03 Expires: 03/01/06

**Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**

Sarah H. Palin - Wasilla

Appointed: 02/19/03 Expires: 03/01/08

Randy Ruedrich - Anchorage

Appointed: 02/19/03 Expires: 03/01/06

**Personnel Board**

Paulette M. Simpson - Juneau

Appointed 02/11/03 Expires: 03/01/08

**State Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board**

Mary Ann Paul - Eagle River

Appointed: 11/22/02 Expires: 03/01/06

**Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers**

Steve MacSwain - Anchorage

Appointed: 02/19/03 Expires: 03/01/06

**University of Alaska Board of Regents**

Mary K. Hughes - Anchorage

Appointed: 07/09/02 Expires 02/01/09

Michael Snowden - Sitka

Appointed: 01/21/03 Expires 02/01/09

**Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA)**

Mark Johnson - Anchorage

Appointed: 07/01/03 Expires 03/01/09

**Messages from the House**

Message dated February 28 was read, stating:

The House of Representatives respectfully invites the Senate to a Joint Session of the Twenty-third Legislature at 12:00 noon Tuesday, March 4, 2003, for the purpose of limited confirmation of Governor Murkowski's appointees.

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate accept the House invitation to meet in Joint Session. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

Message dated February 27 was read, stating:

The House of Representatives respectfully invites the Senate to a Joint Session of the Twenty-third Alaska Legislature at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, 2003, for the purpose of hearing Governor Murkowski's 2003 Budget Address.

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate accept the House invitation to meet in Joint Session. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

**SJR 4**

Message dated February 26 was read, stating the House passed and returned:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4 Urging the United States Congress to pass legislation to open the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska, to oil and gas exploration, development, and production.

The resolution was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

Message dated February 26 was read, stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

**First Reading and Reference of House Bills****HB 79**

HOUSE BILL NO. 79 BY THE HOUSE COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act extending the termination date of the Alaska regional economic assistance program; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Finance Committee.

**HB 101**

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 101(FIN) am BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act making special appropriations to promote the opening of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for oil and gas exploration and development; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Finance Committee.

**Standing Committee Reports**

Report dated February 26 was read, stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Senate Labor and Commerce Committee in Joint Session with the House Labor and Commerce Committee reviewed the following with regard to confirmation of the Governor's appointments and recommends the appointments be forwarded to a Joint Session for consideration:

**Regulatory Commission of Alaska**

Dave Harbour  
Mark Johnson

There were no stated objections to the confirmation of the named individuals by committee members. This does not reflect intent by any of the members to vote for or against the individuals during any further sessions.

Signing the report: Senator Bunde, Chair; Senator Seekins, Vice Chair; Senators Gary Stevens, Davis, French.

Reports dated February 26 were read, stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Senate Resources Committee reviewed the following with regard to confirmation of the Governor's appointments and recommends the appointments be forwarded to a Joint Session for consideration:

**Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**

Sarah H. Palin  
Randy Ruedrich

This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the individuals during any further sessions.

Signing the report: Senator Ogan, Chair; Senators Wagoner, Dyson, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Lincoln, Elton.

Report dated February 27 was read, stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Senate State Affairs Committee reviewed the following with regard to confirmation of the Governor's appointment and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a Joint Session for consideration:

**Commissioner - Department of Public Safety**

Bill Tandeske

There were no stated objections to the confirmation of the named individual by committee members. This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the individual during any further sessions.

Signing the report: Senator Gary Stevens, Chair; Senators Cowdery, Dyson, Guess.

Report dated February 27 was read, stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Senate State Affairs Committee reviewed the following with regard to confirmation of the Governor's appointment and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a Joint Session for consideration:

**Commissioner - Department of Administration**

Mike Miller

There were no stated objections to the confirmation of the named individual by committee members. This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the individual during any further sessions.

Signing the report: Senator Gary Stevens, Chair; Senators Cowdery, Dyson, Guess, Hoffman.

**SB 43**

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 43 "An Act extending the termination date of the State Medical Board." Signing do pass: Senator Bunde, Chair; Senators Seekins, Davis, French, Gary Stevens.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Community and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

**SB 51**

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 51 "An Act relating to revenue bonds issued by the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority and the total amount of bonds and notes outstanding of that authority; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senators Green and Wilken, Cochairs; Senators Taylor, Hoffman, Bunde, Ben Stevens. Signing no recommendation: Senator Olson.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Revenue  
Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Community and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

**SB 54**

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 54 "An Act exempting flight crew members of certain air carriers from overtime pay requirements." Signing do pass: Senator Bunde, Chair; Senators Seekins, Davis, French, Gary Stevens.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Labor and Workforce Development

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

**SB 62**

The Community and Regional Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 62 "An Act extending the termination date of the Alaska regional economic assistance program; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Wagoner, Chair; Senators Taylor, Gary Stevens, Lincoln, Elton.



The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Community and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

**SB 63**

The Community and Regional Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 63 "An Act relating to municipal property taxation in annexed and detached areas; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Wagoner, Chair; Senator Taylor. Signing no recommendation: Senators Gary Stevens, Elton.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Community and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

**SB 71**

The Transportation Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 71 "An Act relating to funding for transportation enhancement projects" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 71(TRA) "An Act relating to funding for transportation projects; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Cowdery, Chair; Senators Olson, Wagoner. Signing no recommendation: Senator Therriault. Signing amend: Senator Lincoln.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

**SB 73**

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 73 "An Act relating to the authority of the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to issue bonds; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Bunde, Chair; Senators Seekins, Davis, French, Gary Stevens.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Community and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

**SB 78**

The Health, Education and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 78 "An Act relating to an optional group of persons eligible for medical assistance who require treatment for breast and cervical cancer; relating to cost sharing by those recipients under the medical assistance program; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Dyson, Chair; Senators Wilken, Green. Signing no recommendation: Senator Guess. Signing amend: Senator Davis.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Health & Social Services

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

**HB 58**

The Community and Regional Affairs Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 58 "An Act relating to the reinstatement of Native corporations; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Wagoner, Chair; Senators Taylor, Gary Stevens. Signing no recommendation: Senator Elton.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Community and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Labor and Commerce Committee.

**HB 68**

The Community and Regional Affairs Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 68(JUD) "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the office of victims' rights." Signing do pass: Senator Wagoner, Chair; Senators Taylor, Gary Stevens, Elton.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:  
Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Legislative Agency

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

**SCR 1**

The Finance Committee considered SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1 Relating to economic development generated by new road construction and to the design and construction of the Hot Springs Loop Road to connect Chena Hot Springs and Circle Hot Springs and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1(FIN) Relating to economic development generated by new road construction and to the design and construction of the Hot Springs Loop Road to connect Chena Hot Springs and Circle Hot Springs, of a highway along the Bradfield/Iskut Rivers transportation corridor, of the Knik Arm Crossing, of a road from Iliamna Bay to Pile Bay, and of other roads and highways.

Signing do pass: Senators Green and Wilken, Cochair; Senators Taylor, Hoffman, Olson, Ben Stevens. Signing no recommendation: Senator Bunde.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:  
Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

**Introduction and Reference of  
Senate Resolutions**

**SJR 8**

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8 BY SENATOR SEEKINS,

Relating to the division of the Ninth Circuit Court of  
Appeals.

was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

**Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills**

**SB 86**

SENATE BILL NO. 86 BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE,  
entitled:

"An Act relating to the rate of interest on delinquent  
taxes."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce and  
Finance Committees.

**SB 87**

SENATE BILL NO. 87 BY SENATOR SEEKINS, entitled:

"An Act relating to principal and income in the  
administration of trusts and decedents' estates and the  
mental health trust fund; adopting a version of the  
Uniform Principal and Income Act; and providing for  
an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

**SB 88**

SENATE BILL NO. 88 BY SENATOR SEEKINS, entitled:

"An Act relating to standards for forest resources and  
practices; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Resources Committee.

**SB 89**

SENATE BILL NO. 89 BY SENATOR SEEKINS, entitled:

"An Act amending the definition of 'lobbyist' in the Regulation of Lobbying Act, and as it applies in the act setting standards of conduct for legislators and legislative employees, to define 'regular' and 'substantial' as those terms describe activities for which a person receives consideration for the purpose of influencing legislative or administrative action."

was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

**SB 90**

SENATE BILL NO. 90 BY SENATOR GARY STEVENS, entitled:

"An Act relating to the base student allocation used in the formula for state funding of public education; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees.

**SB 91**

SENATE BILL NO. 91 BY SENATOR DAVIS, entitled:

"An Act relating to the base student allocation used in the formula for state funding of public education; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees.

**SB 92**

SENATE BILL NO. 92 BY THE SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act amending the standards applicable to determining whether, for purposes of the Alaska Stranded Gas Development Act, a proposed new investment constitutes a qualified project, and extending the deadline for applications relating to the development of contracts for payments in lieu of taxes and for royalty adjustments that may be submitted for consideration under that Act; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Resources and Finance Committees.

**SB 93**

SENATE BILL NO. 93 BY SENATOR WAGONER, entitled:

"An Act relating to limitations on actions to quiet title to, eject a person from, or recover real property or the possession of it; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce and Judiciary Committees.

**SB 94**

SENATE BILL NO. 94 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act relating to benefits for retired teachers or employees who participated in retirement incentive programs and are subsequently reemployed as a commissioner; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Administration

Governor's transmittal letter dated February 27:

Dear President Therriault:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to reemployment of certain members of the Teachers' Retirement System of Alaska (TRS) and the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) who have retired under a retirement incentive plan (RIP).

The objective of this bill is to allow a person who retired under a RIP to return to state service as a commissioner without being penalized.

It is in the best interest of the people of Alaska to ensure that administrative departments of state government be managed by competent, skilled, knowledgeable, and experienced persons. Choosing to serve Alaska as the head of a state agency, in many cases, requires an individual to make sacrifices they may never have anticipated. This bill would remove one of the major disincentives, and give the Governor greater flexibility in filling out his cabinet.

Under existing law, if a TRS or PERS member who took normal retirement and retired under a RIP is re-employed in the TRS or PERS system, the member forfeits the incentive credit and becomes indebted to the TRS or PERS. This bill would allow a TRS or PERS member in this situation who is re-employed as a commissioner to accept the position without being subject to the reemployment indebtedness.

Under existing law, a retired member of the TRS or PERS who took normal retirement and is re-employed in a TRS or PERS position may elect to continue receiving the member's retirement benefits during the period of employment. A member who retired under a RIP, however, may not make the election to continue receiving TRS or PERS retirement benefits. This bill would allow a TRS or PERS member in this situation who is subsequently re-employed as a commissioner to elect to continue receiving retirement benefit payments during the period of reemployment.

Finally, under existing law, the option to elect to continue receiving TRS or PERS benefits during the period of reemployment is repealed as of July 1, 2005. This bill repeals that option for individuals subject to the bill, i.e., TRS or PERS members who retired under a RIP and are subsequently re-employed as a commissioner.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

/s/

Frank H. Murkowski  
Governor

### **Consideration of the Calendar**

#### **Citations**

Honoring – Jason P. Quinn

Senator(s) Gary Stevens, Ogan, French, Therriault, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Elton, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Taylor, Wilken

In Memoriam – Michael Lee Mikkelsen

Senator(s) Ogan, Therriault, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Elton, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Taylor, Wilken

In Memoriam – Patricia Marie Acton

Senator(s) Ogan, Green, Therriault, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Elton, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Taylor, Wilken

Representative(s) Masek

In Memoriam – Larry L. Clendenen

Representative(s) Seaton

Senator(s) Gary Stevens, Therriault, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Elton, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Taylor, Wilken

In Memoriam – Jonathan Bruce Perry

Representative(s) Seaton

Senator(s) Gary Stevens, Therriault, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Elton, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Taylor, Wilken



Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the citations be adopted. Without objection, the citations were adopted and referred to the Secretary for transmittal.

### **Unfinished Business**

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on March 3, to plane time. Without objection, Senator Ellis was excused.

Senator Bunde moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from February 28, evening plane time, through March 3, morning plane time. Without objection, Senator Bunde was excused.

Senator Guess moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from March 5, noon, through March 10, plane time. Without objection, Senator Guess was excused.

### **Announcements**

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

### **Enrollment**

#### **SCR 5**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5 Relating to declaring March 2003 as Sobriety Awareness Month, was enrolled, signed by the President and Secretary, Speaker and Chief Clerk and the engrossed and enrolled copies transmitted to the Office of the Governor at 2:33 p.m., February 27, 2003.

**Adjournment**

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., March 3 2003. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

Kirsten Waid  
Secretary of the Senate

February 2003

**Announcements**

Americans with Disabilities Act Notice - Persons with disabilities who require special accommodation or alternative communication formats to access committee meetings may contact the appropriate committee office or the Legislative Information Office in their community. Reasonable advance notice is needed to accommodate the request. For further information, call the ADA Coordinator at 465-3854 Voice/465-4980 TDD.

**STANDING COMMITTEES**

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

**COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS**

<b>Feb 28</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Fahrenkamp 203</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		
<b>Mar 03</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Fahrenkamp 203</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		
<b>Mar 05</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Fahrenkamp 203</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
+ SB 38	ADOPTION OF SAFETY CODES		
+ HCR 2	EXTEND ALASKA RAILROAD TO FT. GREELY		
<b>Mar 07</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Fahrenkamp 203</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		

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**FINANCE**

<b>Mar 03</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
SB 78	MEDICAID FOR BREAST & CERVICAL CANCER		
= SB 75	SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS: FAST TRACK		
= SB 76	SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
<b>Mar 04</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
	Joint w/(H) Finance		
	State of Our University Address		
	President Mark Hamilton, University of Alaska		

**FINANCE (continued)**

- Mar 05      Wednesday                      Senate Finance 532              9:00 AM**  
 = SB 75 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS: FAST TRACK  
 = SB 76 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS  
 HB 101 APPROP: GRANT TO ARCTIC POWER FOR ANWR  
 = SB 20 EXTEND BOARD OF MARINE PILOTS  
 SB 47 EXTEND BOARD OF NURSING  
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Mar 06      Thursday                              Senate Finance 532              9:00 AM**  
 = SB 75 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS: FAST TRACK  
 = SB 76 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS  
 SB 25 AHFC LOANS TO EDUCATORS  
 SB 43 EXTEND STATE MEDICAL BOARD  
 HB 71 EXTEND BOARD OF MIDWIVES  
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Mar 07      Friday                                      Senate Finance 532              9:00 AM**  
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
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**HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES**

- Mar 03      Monday                                      Butrovich 205              1:30 PM**  
 + Confirmation Hearings:  
 University of Alaska Board of Regents -  
 James C. Hayes, Cynthia Henry,  
 Mary K. Hughes, Michael Snowden,  
 Derek Miller  
 Board of Education and Early Development-  
 Patsy DeWitt, Esther Cox,  
 Shirley Holloway, Richard I. Mauer,  
 Sylvia Reynolds, Rex Rock, Tim R. Scott  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Mar 05      Wednesday                              Butrovich 205              1:30 PM**  
 + SB 8 TAMPERING WITH PUBLIC RECORDS  
 + SB 55 TAMPERING WITH PUBLIC RECORDS  
 + SB 17 MEDICAID FOR BREAST & CERVICAL CANCER  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
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**JUDICIARY**

<b>Feb 28</b>	<b>Friday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Beltz 211</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
<b>Mar 03</b>	<b>Monday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Beltz 211</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
<b>Mar 05</b>	<b>Wednesday</b> -- Time and Location Change -- Joint w/(H) Judiciary Confirmation Hearings: Select Committee on Legislative Ethics - Dennis "Skip" Cook, Herman G. Walker, Jr Judicial Council - Bill Gordon Violent Crimes Compensation Board - Gerad G. Godfrey	<b>Capitol 120</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>
<b>Mar 07</b>	<b>Friday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Capitol 120</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>

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**LABOR & COMMERCE**

<b>Mar 04</b>	<b>Tuesday</b> + SJR 7 VANCOUVER'S BID FOR 2010 WINTER GAMES Confirmation Hearings: Board of Public Accountancy Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors Board of Barbers and Hairdressers Board of Chiropractic Examiners Board of Marine Pilots Personnel Board Certified Real Estate Appraisers Board of Veterinary Examiners Workers Compensation Board	<b>Beltz 211</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
<b>Mar 06</b>	<b>Thursday</b> += SB 72 EXTEND REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA	<b>Beltz 211</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>

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**RESOURCES**

**Feb 28      Friday                      Butrovich 205              3:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

**Mar 03      Monday                      Butrovich 205              3:30 PM**  
 +              Confirmation Hearing:  
                  Commissioner, Dept of Fish & Game  
                  (Pending Referral)

+    SB 79    EXTEND ALASKA MINERALS COMMISSION  
 +              Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 05      Wednesday                      Butrovich 205              3:30 PM**  
 +    SB 92    STRANDED GAS DEVELOPMENT ACT AMENDMENTS  
 +              Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 07      Friday                      Butrovich 205              3:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

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**STATE AFFAIRS**

**Mar 06      Thursday                      Beltz 211                  3:30 PM**  
 <Rescheduled from 2/27/03>

+              Confirmation Hearings:  
                  State Commission on Human Rights -  
                  Grace Merkes  
                  Lester Lunceford  
                  Robert B. Sawyer, Jr  
                  AK Public Offices Commission -  
                  Larry D. Wood

+    SCR 4    AVALANCHE AWARENESS MONTH  
 +    SB 77    WILLIAM RANSOM WOOD CENTENNIAL BRIDGE

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**TRANSPORTATION**

**Mar 04      Tuesday                      Butrovich 205              1:30 PM**  
                  SB 83    SVEN HAAKANSON AIRPORT AT OLD HARBOR  
                  SB 23    ANCHORAGE COASTAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

**Mar 06      Thursday                      Butrovich 205              1:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

**TRANSPORTATION (continued)**

**Mar 11 Tuesday Terry Miller 104 1:30 PM**  
 -- Location Change --  
 = SB 31 RAILROAD UTILITY CORRIDOR TO & IN CANADA  
 <Bill Hearing Postponed to 3/18/03>  
 + Joint w/(H) Transportation  
 Port of Bellingham

**Mar 13 Thursday Terry Miller 104 1:15 PM**  
 -- Time and Location Change --  
 + Joint w/(H) Transportation  
 Airport Bond Issues

**Mar 18 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
 -- Rescheduled from 3/11/03 --  
 += SB 31 RAILROAD UTILITY CORRIDOR TO & IN CANADA

**Mar 25 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
 += SB 40 CONSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAYS BY DOTPF

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**SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**WORLD TRADE AND STATE/FEDERAL RELATIONS**

**Mar 10 Monday Fahrenkamp 203 4:00 PM**  
 Briefings:  
 Northern Forum,  
 Circumpolar Infrastructure Task Force

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**JOINT COMMITTEES**

**ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**Mar 11 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM**  
 Military Legislative Address:  
 Lt General Carrol H. "Howie" Chandler,  
 USAF Commander, Alaska Command  
 Brigadier General Craig Campbell,  
 Adjutant General, Alaska National Guard

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT**

**Mar 27      Thursday                      House Finance 519              4:00 PM**  
Audits and Other Committee Business  
Including an Executive Session

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**OTHER MEETINGS****JOINT SESSION**

**Mar 04      Tuesday                              House Chamber              12:00 PM**  
Limited Confirmation of Governor's  
Appointees

**Mar 05      Wednesday                              House Chamber              11:00 AM**  
State of the Judiciary  
Chief Justice Dana Fabe

**Mar 05      Wednesday                              House Chamber              7:00 PM**  
Budget Address  
Governor Frank Murkowski

**Mar 31      Monday                                      House Chamber              11:00 AM**  
Address by U.S. Senator Ted Stevens