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One Hundred Eighth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Therriault at 11:12 a.m.

The roll showed twenty members present.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Jesse Kiehl of the Jewish Community of Juneau. Senator Bunde moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

With deepest respect for the beliefs of all Alaskans,

Adonai tsifatai tiftach, ufi yagid tehilatecha.

Eternal God, open my lips that my mouth may declare Your glory.

Ata kadosh v'shimcha kadosh u'kedoshim becholyom yehalelucha selah.

You are holy, Your name is holy, and those who strive to be holy declare Your glory day by day.

We pray for sanctification in our lives and our work, Oh God – for eyes opened to what is right and just, for hearts prepared to serve in truth. Our pursuit of justice and mercy, our acts of study and service and loving kindness are themselves a blessing on our families, our communities, and ourselves.

And as this legislative session draws near its weary end, we ask blessing on our efforts.

*Baruch atah Adonai, eloheinu ruach ha-olam,
hanosayn layo-ayf koach.*

Blessed are You, oh God, the breath of the universe,
who gives strength to the weary.

Baruch atah Adonai, ha-eil hakadosh.

Blessed is the Eternal, the holy God. Amen.

Senator Gary Stevens led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the one hundred seventh legislative day be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the House

Message dated April 27 was read, stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 309

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 309(JUD) am BY THE HOUSE
JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to nonindigenous fish."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs and Resources
Committees.

HB 366

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 366(FIN) BY THE HOUSE FINANCE
COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to animal classic charitable gaming; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs and Finance Committees.

HB 367

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 367(FIN) am BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to the licensing and regulation of adult-oriented businesses; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 379

HOUSE BILL NO. 379 BY REPRESENTATIVES WEYHRAUCH, Anderson, Foster, Gara, Kerttula, Dahlstrom, Ogg, Lynn, Gruenberg, entitled:

"An Act establishing an office of citizenship assistance in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs and Finance Committees.

Standing Committee Reports

Reports dated April 28 were read stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Senate Judiciary Committee reviewed the following and recommends the appointments be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Commission on Judicial Conduct

Peter J. Aschenbrenner
Thomas G. Nave

Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar Association

Michael J. Hurley
Joseph N. Faulhaber

Violent Crimes Compensation Board

Gerad Godfrey
Dr. David G. Ingraham

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 Seekins, Chair; Senators Ellis, Therriault, French, Ogan.

SB 132

Forthcoming Resources Committee Substitute (page 3094) for SENATE BILL NO. 132 "An Act removing the Old Minto townsite from the Minto Flats State Game Refuge; and authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to convey certain land at the historic Old Minto site to the Minto Village Council" was received today:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 132(RES) "An Act removing the Old Minto townsite from the Minto Flats State Game Refuge; and authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to convey certain land at the historic Old Minto site to the Native Village of Minto."

SB 136

Forthcoming Finance Committee Substitute (page 3094) for SENATE BILL NO. 136 "An Act increasing an optional exclusion or exemption from municipal taxation for residential property" was received today:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 136(FIN) "An Act relating to an optional exclusion or exemption from municipal taxation for residential property; and

relating to an exemption from and deferral of municipal property taxes on certain types of deteriorated property."

SB 224

The State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 224 "An Act relating to lowering the legal level of intoxication for operating a motor vehicle, aircraft, or watercraft to .02 percent or the equivalent for persons under 21 years of age; relating to implied consent for purposes of determining consumption of alcohol; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 224(STA) "An Act relating to a minor operating a vehicle after consuming alcohol, to a minor refusing to submit to chemical tests, and to driving during the 24 hours after being cited for one of those offenses; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Gary Stevens, Chair; Senator Cowdery.
Signing no recommendation: Senators Stedman, Guess.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 5, zero, Department of Public Safety

Fiscal Note No. 6, indeterminate, Alaska Court System

Fiscal Note No. 7, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

Fiscal information forthcoming.

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 272

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 272 "An Act relating to certain monetary advances in which the deposit or other negotiation of certain instruments to pay the advances is delayed until a later date; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 272(FIN) "An Act relating to certain monetary advances in which the deposit or other negotiation of checks to pay the advances is delayed until a later date; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senators Green, Wilken, Cochairs; Senators Dyson, Bunde, Ben Stevens. Signing do not pass: Senator Hoffman. Signing no recommendation: Senator Olson.

Fiscal information forthcoming.

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 278

Forthcoming Finance Committee Substitute (page 3095) for SENATE BILL NO. 278 "An Act relating to fees for the inspection of recreational devices, for certificates of fitness for electrical wiring and plumbing, for filing voluntary flexible work hour plans, and for licenses for boiler operators; and providing for an effective date" was received today:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 278(FIN) "An Act relating to fees for the inspection of recreational devices, including instructional devices, for certificates of fitness for electrical wiring and plumbing, and for licenses for boiler operators; relating to the building safety account; and providing for an effective date."

SB 306

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 306 "An Act relating to the practice of naturopathic medicine; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 306(FIN)

Signing do pass: Senators Green, Wilken, Cochairs; Senators Dyson, Ben Stevens. Signing no recommendation: Senators Hoffman, Olson. Signing amend: Senator Bunde.

Fiscal information forthcoming.

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 369

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 369 "An Act exempting a person who allows a student of the University of Alaska to gain practical work experience with the person while participating in a practicum from vicarious liability as an employer, and exempting the student participating in a practicum from the Alaska Wage and Hour Act and workers' compensation coverage" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 369(L&C) "An Act exempting a person who allows a student of the University of Alaska to gain practical work experience with the person while participating in a practicum from vicarious liability as an employer, and exempting the student participating in a practicum from the Alaska Wage and Hour Act; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Bunde, Chair; Senators Seekins, Gary Stevens. Signing do not pass: Senator French.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, University of Alaska

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Labor and Workforce Development

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

SB 377

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 377 "An Act relating to the state's mechanical code, to mechanical contractors and mechanical administrators, to mechanical standards and inspections involved in certain housing loans, and to the adoption of the state's mechanical code; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Bunde, Chair; Senator Seekins. Signing no recommendation: Senators French, Gary Stevens.

The following fiscal information was published today:

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

Fiscal Note No. 2, indeterminate, Department of Public Safety

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 391

The Transportation Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 391 "An Act relating to use of a snow machine within the James Dalton Highway corridor to establish, maintain, and service traplines located outside the corridor" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 391(TRA)

Signing do pass: Senator Cowdery, Cochair. Signing no recommendation: Senator Wagoner, Cochair. Signing do not pass: Senator Olson. Signing amend: Senator Lincoln.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Public Safety

Fiscal Note No.2, zero, Department of Fish and Game

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 394

The Transportation Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 394 "An Act relating to a port development project on Lynn Canal, providing legislative approval for the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to issue bonds for the project; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senators Cowdery, Wagoner, Cochairs; Senator Therriault. Signing no recommendation: Senators Lincoln, Olson.

The following fiscal information was published today:

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

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 334

The State Affairs Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 334(RLS) "An Act relating to unlawful exploitation of a minor and to distribution of child pornography." Signing do pass: Senator Gary Stevens, Chair; Senators Cowdery, Stedman. Signing no recommendation: Senator Guess.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

- Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Administration
- Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Corrections
- Fiscal Note No. 3, zero, Department of Law

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

HB 339

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 339(JUD) "An Act relating to opt-out marketing plans for sales, to free trial periods for goods or services, and to acts that are unlawful as unfair trade practices." Signing do pass: Senator Bunde, Chair; Senators French, Seekins, Gary Stevens.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

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

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

HB 351

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 351(JUD) "An Act relating to the devices, including carbon monoxide detection devices, required in dwellings; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Bunde, Chair; Senator Gary Stevens. Signing no recommendation: Senator French.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

- Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, House Labor and Commerce Committee
- Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Law
- Fiscal Note No. 3, zero, Department of Public Safety

The bill was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

HB 419

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 419(RES) "An Act relating to regional seafood development associations and to regional seafood development taxes." Signing amend: Senator Bunde, Chair. Signing do pass: Senator Gary Stevens. Signing no recommendation: Senators French, Seekins.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

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

Fiscal Note No. 2, indeterminate, Department of Revenue

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 464

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 464 "An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers." Signing do pass: Senator Bunde, Chair; Senators French, Gary Stevens.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

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

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 496

The State Affairs Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 496(STA) "An Act creating the youth vote ambassador program and relating to that program; authorizing the members of the program to be appointed to serve on election boards; relating to qualifications for appointment to election boards; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Gary Stevens, Chair; Senators Stedman, Guess.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Office of the Governor

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

HB 534

The State Affairs Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 534(FIN) "An Act repealing the scheduled termination date of the office of victims' rights." Signing do pass: Senator Gary Stevens, Chair; Senators Cowdery, Stedman, Guess.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:
Fiscal Note No. 2, Legislative Agency

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SCR 25

The Transportation Committee considered SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 25 Relating to state agency construction and maintenance contracts throughout the state. Signing do pass: Senator Cowdery, Cochair. Signing no recommendation: Senator Wagoner, Cochair; Senator Therriault. Signing do not pass: Senator Lincoln. Signing amend: Senator Olson.

The following fiscal information was published today:
Fiscal Note No. 1, indeterminate, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

President Therriault added a Finance Committee referral to the resolution.

The resolution was referred to the State Affairs, then Judiciary Committees.

Consideration of the Calendar**Second Reading of Senate Bills****SB 303**

SENATE BILL NO. 303 "An Act relating to the Big Game Commercial Services Board and to the regulation of big game hunting services and transportation services; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Wilken, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Finance Committee Substitute offered on page 2957. Without objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 303(FIN) was adopted.

Senator Green offered Amendment No. 1:

Page 4, line 6:

Delete "require registered guide-outfitters and transporters to enter into"

Insert "establish requirements for the contents of"

Page 11, following line 25:

Insert a new bill section to read:

**** Sec. 17.** AS 08.54.680 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(c) On or after January 1, 2005, a registered guide may not provide big game hunting services and a transporter may not provide transportation services unless the registered guide or transporter has entered into a written contract with the client for the provision of those services."

ReNUMBER the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 28, line 3:

Delete "and 41 - 43"

Insert ", 17, and 42 - 44"

Page 28, line 5:

Delete "sec. 44"

Insert "sec. 45"

Senator Green moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 1. Senator Olson objected, then withdrew his objection. There being no further objection, Amendment No. 1 was adopted.

Senators Olson, Dyson declared a conflict of interest.

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the bill be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Without objection, it was so ordered.

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 303(FIN) am was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 303(FIN) am "An Act relating to the Big Game Commercial Services Board and to the regulation of big game hunting services and transportation services; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 303(FIN) am
Third Reading - Final Passage
Effective Dates

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Guess, Lincoln, Ogan, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Stevens B, Stevens G, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

Nays: Hoffman

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 303(FIN) am passed the Senate.

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the vote on the passage of the bill be considered the vote on the effective date clauses. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hoffman gave notice of reconsideration.

SB 311

SENATE BILL NO. 311 "An Act providing for a special deposit for workers' compensation insurers; relating to the board of governors of the Alaska Insurance Guaranty Association; relating to covered workers' compensation claims paid by the Alaska Insurance Guaranty Association; stating the intent of the legislature, and setting out limitations, concerning the interpretation, construction, and implementation of workers' compensation laws; relating to restructuring the Alaska workers' compensation system; eliminating the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board; establishing a division of

workers' compensation within the Department of Labor and Workforce Development and assigning certain Alaska Workers' Compensation Board functions to the division and the Department of Labor and Workforce Development; establishing a Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; assigning certain functions of the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board to the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; relating to agreements that discharge workers' compensation liability; providing for hearing officers in workers' compensation proceedings; relating to workers' compensation awards; relating to an employer's failure to insure and keep insured or provide security; providing for appeals from compensation orders; relating to workers' compensation proceedings; providing for supreme court jurisdiction of appeals from the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; providing for a maximum amount for the cost-of-living adjustment for workers' compensation benefits; providing for administrative penalties for employers uninsured or without adequate security for workers' compensation; relating to assigned risk pools and insurers; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Seekins, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Judiciary Committee Substitute offered on page 2900. Without objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 311(JUD) "An Act providing for a special deposit for workers' compensation insurers; relating to the board of governors of the Alaska Insurance Guaranty Association; stating the intent of the legislature, and setting out limitations, concerning the interpretation, construction, and implementation of workers' compensation laws; relating to restructuring the Alaska workers' compensation system; eliminating the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board; establishing a division of workers' compensation within the Department of Labor and Workforce Development and assigning certain Alaska Workers' Compensation Board functions to the division and the Department of Labor and Workforce Development; establishing a Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; assigning certain functions of the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board to the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission and the Workers' Compensation Hearings Board; relating to agreements that discharge workers' compensation liability; providing for hearing examiners and hearing panels in workers' compensation proceedings; relating to workers' compensation awards;

relating to an employer's failure to insure and keep insured or provide security; providing for appeals from compensation orders; relating to workers' compensation proceedings; providing for supreme court jurisdiction of appeals from the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; providing for a maximum amount for the cost-of-living adjustment for workers' compensation benefits; providing for administrative penalties for employers uninsured or without adequate security for workers' compensation; relating to assigned risk pools and insurers; and providing for an effective date" was adopted.

Senator French offered Amendment No. 1:

Page 1, lines 9 - 10:

Delete "**Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission**"

Insert "**workers' compensation hearings office**"

Page 1, line 11:

Delete "**Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission**"

Insert "**workers' compensation hearings office**"

Page 2, lines 4 - 6:

Delete "**providing for supreme court jurisdiction of appeals from the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission;**"

Page 4, line 27:

Delete "**Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission**"

Insert "**workers' compensation hearings office**"

Page 4, lines 29 - 30:

Delete "**Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission**"

Insert "**workers' compensation hearings office**"

Page 5, line 6:

Delete "**Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission**"

Insert "**workers' compensation hearings office**"

Page 6, lines 20 - 21:

Delete "Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission"

Insert "workers' compensation hearings office"

Page 7, line 14:

Delete "chair of the commission"
Insert "chief hearing officer"

Page 8, line 16, through page 11, line 30:

Delete all material and insert:

"Sec. 23.30.007. Workers' compensation hearings office. (a) There is established in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development a workers' compensation hearings office. The hearing examiners and hearing panels hear original petitions when a claim is filed under this chapter and have jurisdiction to hear appeals from decisions and orders of the director.

(b) The commissioner shall appoint a chief hearing officer and hearing examiners.

(c) The chief hearing officer may

(1) employ and supervise hearing office staff, hearing examiners, and hearing panels and appoint a hearings office clerk;

(2) establish and implement a time management system for the hearings office, staff, and hearing examiners;

(3) assign the work of the hearing examiners, hearing panels, and staff so that hearings and appeals are resolved as expeditiously and competently as possible, including designating hearing examiners to hear preliminary matters; and

(4) prepare an annual budget of the hearings office and hearing panels.

(d) The hearings office, in its administrative capacity, shall maintain, index, and make available for public inspection the final administrative decisions and orders of the hearing examiners and hearing panels. To promote consistency among legal determinations, the chief hearing officer may review and circulate among the other hearing examiners the drafts of formal decisions, decisions upon reconsideration, and other legal opinions of the other hearing examiners of the hearings office. The drafts are confidential documents and are not subject to disclosure.

(e) The hearings office, in its administrative capacity, may adopt regulations implementing its authority and duties under this chapter, including rules of procedure and evidence for proceedings before hearing examiners and hearing panels in workers' compensation proceedings under AS 23.30.090 and 23.30.110 and for the adjudication of all claims and petitions under this chapter. The provisions of AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act) apply to the adoption of regulations by the hearings office.

(f) The hearings office, in its administrative capacity, may adopt and alter an official seal and do all things necessary, convenient, or desirable to carry out the powers expressly granted or necessarily implied in this chapter."

Page 14, line 6:

Delete "**with the office of the commission** [BY"

Insert "by **a hearing examiner or hearing panel** ["

Page 15, line 6:

Delete "**commission**"

Insert "**hearings office**"

Page 30, line 23:

Delete "**commission**"

Insert "**hearings office**"

Page 30, lines 25 - 26:

Delete "**office of the commission**"

Insert "**hearings office**"

Page 31, line 1:

Delete "**, hearing panel, or commission**"

Insert "**or hearing panel**"

Page 31, line 13:

Delete "**commission, and the commission clerk** "

Insert "**hearings office, and the hearings office**"

Page 32, line 3, following "defense.", through line 16:

Delete all material.

Insert "[IF A DISCOVERY DISPUTE COMES BEFORE THE BOARD FOR REVIEW OF A DETERMINATION BY THE BOARD'S DESIGNEE, THE BOARD MAY NOT CONSIDER ANY EVIDENCE OR ARGUMENT THAT WAS NOT PRESENTED TO THE BOARD'S DESIGNEE, BUT SHALL DETERMINE THE ISSUE SOLELY ON THE BASIS OF THE WRITTEN RECORD. THE DECISION BY THE BOARD ON A DISCOVERY DISPUTE SHALL BE MADE WITHIN 30 DAYS. THE BOARD SHALL UPHOLD THE DESIGNEE'S DECISION EXCEPT WHEN THE BOARD'S DESIGNEE'S DETERMINATION IS AN ABUSE OF DISCRETION.]"

Page 32, line 31:

Delete "office of the commission"

Insert "hearings office"

Page 33, line 9:

Delete "commission clerk"

Insert "chief hearing officer"

Page 34, line 1:

Delete "commission"

Insert "director"

Page 35, line 11:

Delete "commission"

Insert "hearings office"

Page 35, line 16:

Delete ", but is not a public employee for purposes of AS 23.40"

Page 36, line 3:

Delete "commission"

Insert "hearings office"

Page 36, line 10:

Delete "commission"
Insert "hearings office"

Page 37, lines 8 - 9:

Delete "the commission, a hearing panel, or a hearing examiner ["
Insert "a hearing panel or hearing examiner [THE"

Page 37, lines 14 - 15:

Delete "the commission, a hearing panel, or a hearing examiners ["
Insert "a hearing panel or hearing examiner [THE"

Page 37, line 17:

Delete "commission clerk"
Insert "chief hearing officer"

Page 37, line 19:

Delete "commission"
Insert "chief hearing officer"

Page 38, line 3:

Delete "office of the commission"
Insert "hearings office"

Page 38, line 6:

Delete "office of the commission"
Insert "hearings office"

Page 38, line 12:

Delete "commission"
Insert "hearings office"

Page 38, line 14, through page 43, line 1:

Delete all material and insert:

"* **Sec. 63.** AS 23.30.125(a) is amended to read:

(a) A compensation order becomes effective when filed with the director [IN THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD] as provided in AS 23.30.110, and, unless proceedings to

suspend it or set it aside are instituted as provided in (c) of this section, it becomes final on the 31st day after it is filed.

* **Sec. 64.** AS 23.30.125(c) is amended to read:

(c) If not in accordance with law, a compensation order **filed by a hearing examiner or hearing panel as provided in (a) of this section** may be suspended or set aside, in whole or in part, through injunction proceedings in the superior court brought by a party in interest against the **division** [BOARD] and all other parties to the proceedings [BEFORE THE BOARD]. The payment of the amounts required by an award may not be stayed pending final decision in the proceeding unless upon application for an interlocutory injunction the court on hearing, after not less than three days' notice to the parties in interest and the **director** [BOARD], allows the stay of payment, in whole or in part, where irreparable damage would otherwise ensue to the employer. The order of the court allowing a stay **must** [SHALL] contain a specific finding, based upon evidence submitted to the court and identified by reference to it, that irreparable damage would result to the employer, and specifying the nature of the damage.

* **Sec. 65.** AS 23.30.125(d) is amended to read:

(d) If an employer fails to comply with a compensation order making an award that has become final, a beneficiary of the award or the **director** [BOARD] may apply for the enforcement of the order to the superior court. If the court determines that the order was made and served in accordance with law, and that the employer or the officers or agents of the employer have failed to comply with it, the court shall enforce obedience to the order by writ of injunction or by other proper process to enjoin upon the employer and the officers and agents of the employer compliance with the order.

* **Sec. 66.** AS 23.30.125(f) is amended to read:

(f) Subject to an employer's or employee's burden of proof, a finding of fact made by the **hearing examiner or hearing panel** [BOARD] as a part of a compensation order is conclusive unless the court specifically finds that a reasonable person could not have reached the conclusion made by the **hearing examiner or hearing panel** [BOARD]."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 47, lines 13 - 20:

Delete all material.

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 57, line 2:

Delete "**the commission.**"

Page 57, lines 20 - 21:

Delete all material.

Renumber the following paragraphs accordingly.

Page 58, lines 8 - 9:

Delete "**Appeals Commission (AS 23.30.007) and Workers' Compensation**"

Page 58, line 17:

Delete "sec. 85"

Insert "sec. 86"

Page 58, line 18:

Delete "sec. 85"

Insert "sec. 86"

Page 59, lines 24 - 25:

Delete: "WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS COMMISSION AND"

Page 59, line 26, following "BOARD.", through line 30, following the first occurrence of "(b)":

Delete all material.

Page 60, line 16:

Delete "chair of the commission"

Insert "chief hearing officer"

Delete "commission"
Insert "hearings office"

Page 60, line 17:
Delete "commission"
Insert "hearings office"

Page 60, line 18:
Delete "commission"
Insert "hearings office"

Page 60, lines 26 - 27:
Delete all material.

Renumber the following paragraphs accordingly.

Page 61, line 17:
Delete "sec. 108"
Insert "sec. 109"

Page 61, line 29:
Delete "Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission"
Insert "workers' compensation hearings office"

Page 61, line 30:
Delete "under AS 23.30.008, enacted by sec. 10 of this Act"

Page 62, line 2:
Delete "Section 113(a)"
Insert "Section 114(a)"

Page 62, line 3:
Delete "sec. 114"
Insert "sec. 115"

Senator French moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 1. Senator Green objected.

Senator Ogan moved and asked unanimous consent to abstain from voting due to a conflict of interest. Objections were heard and Senator Ogan was required to vote.

Senator Wilken called the Senate. The call was satisfied.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 1 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 311(JUD)
Second Reading
Amendment No. 1

YEAS: 9 NAYS: 11 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Davis, Ellis, Elton, French, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Olson, Wagoner

Nays: Bunde, Cowdery, Dyson, Green, Ogan, Seekins, Stedman, Stevens B, Stevens G, Therriault, Wilken

and so, Amendment No. 1 failed.

Senator French offered Amendment No. 2:

Page 40, lines 28 - 31:

Delete "The commission may review de novo all discretionary actions, findings of fact, and conclusions of law by the hearing examiner, hearing panel, or the director in hearing, determining, or otherwise acting on any compensation claim or petition."

Insert "The commission shall review all discretionary actions and findings of fact by a hearing examiner, hearing panel, or the director under the substantial evidence standard of review. The commission shall review the conclusions of law by a hearing examiner, hearing panel, or the director using the commission's independent judgment."

Senator French moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 2. Senator Ben Stevens objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 2 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 311(JUD)
Second Reading
Amendment No. 2

YEAS: 8 NAYS: 12 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Davis, Ellis, Elton, French, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Olson

Nays: Bunde, Cowdery, Dyson, Green, Ogan, Seekins, Stedman,
Stevens B, Stevens G, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

and so, Amendment No. 2 failed.

Senator French offered Amendment No. 3:

Page 35, line 16:

Delete ", but is not a public employee for purposes of
AS 23.40"

Senator French moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 3. Senator
Ben Stevens objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 3 be adopted?" The roll
was taken with the following result:

CSSB 311(JUD)
Second Reading
Amendment No. 3

YEAS: 8 NAYS: 12 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Davis, Ellis, Elton, French, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Olson

Nays: Bunde, Cowdery, Dyson, Green, Ogan, Seekins, Stedman,
Stevens B, Stevens G, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

and so, Amendment No. 3 failed.

Senator French offered Amendment No. 4:

Page 38, line 30, following "irreparable", through page 39, line 3:

Delete all material.

Insert "damage, and, if the party is filing an application for a stay of continuing compensation or medical benefits, or both, the commission may only allow the stay if the party filing the application has also shown probable success on the merits. The order of the commission allowing the stay must contain specific findings based on evidence submitted to the commission and identified by reference to it to support the standard required for a stay in the matter."

Page 39, line 20, following "where", through line 23:

Delete all material.

Insert "the party filing the application would otherwise suffer irreparable damage, and, if the party is filing an application for a stay of continuing compensation or medical benefits, or both, the commission may only allow the stay if the party filing the application has also shown probable success on the merits. The order of the commission allowing the stay must contain specific findings based on evidence submitted to the commission and identified by reference to it to support the standard required for a stay in the matter."

Senator French moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 4. Senator Green objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 4 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 311(JUD)
Second Reading
Amendment No. 4

YEAS: 8 NAYS: 11 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Ellis, Elton, French, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Olson

Nays: Cowdery, Dyson, Green, Ogan, Seekins, Stedman, Stevens B, Stevens G, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

Absent: Davis

and so, Amendment No. 4 failed.

Senator French offered Amendment No. 5:

Page 10, line 3:
Delete "29"
Insert "25"

Page 10, line 4:
Delete "30"
Insert "26"

Senator French moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 5. Senator Ben Stevens objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 5 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 311(JUD)
Second Reading
Amendment No. 5

YEAS: 10 NAYS: 10 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bunde, Davis, Ellis, Elton, French, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Ogan, Olson

Nays: Cowdery, Dyson, Green, Seekins, Stedman, Stevens B, Stevens G, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

and so, Amendment No. 5 failed.

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the bill be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Senator Ellis objected.

President Therriault stated CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 311(JUD) will be on the April 29 calendar.

SB 368

SENATE BILL NO. 368 "An Act relating to taxes on cigarettes and tobacco products; relating to tax stamps on cigarettes; relating to forfeiture of cigarettes and of property used in the manufacture, transportation, or sale of unstamped cigarettes; relating to licenses and licensees under the Cigarette Tax Act; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Wilken, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Finance Committee Substitute offered on page 3097. Without objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 368(FIN) "An Act relating to taxes on cigarettes and tobacco products, to tax stamps on cigarettes, to forfeiture of cigarettes and of property used in the manufacture, transportation, or sale of unstamped cigarettes, and to licenses and licensees under the Cigarette Tax Act; and providing for an effective date" was adopted.

Senator Bunde offered Amendment No. 1:

Page 6, line 14, following "(a)":

Delete "The"

Insert "Upon a showing of probable cause that a person has committed the crime of misconduct involving unstamped cigarettes or stamps in the first degree under AS 43.50.640, the"

Page 7, lines 20-21:

Delete "or 43.50.650"

Page 8, line 18:

Delete "or 43.50.650"

Page 9, following line 23:

Insert new bill sections to read:

"* **Sec. 22.** AS 43.50.640(a) is amended to read:

(a) A person commits the crime of misconduct involving unstamped cigarettes or stamps in the first degree if the person

(1) with reckless disregard that the cigarettes are unstamped

(A) sells or distributes **5,000** [1,000] or more unstamped cigarettes in a single transaction;

(B) owns or possesses **5,000** [1,000] or more unstamped cigarettes with the intent to sell; or

(C) acquires, holds, transports, imports, or possesses 10,000 or more unstamped cigarettes; or

(2) with reckless disregard that the stamp was previously affixed to another cigarette package[;]

(A) affixes a previously used stamp to a cigarette package; or

(B) possesses, sells, or distributes a previously used stamp.

* **Sec. 23.** AS 43.50.650(a) is amended to read:

(a) A person commits the crime of misconduct involving unstamped cigarettes or stamps in the second degree if the person

(1) with reckless disregard that the cigarettes are unstamped

(A) sells or distributes at least one but fewer than **5,000** [1,000] unstamped cigarettes in a single transaction;

(B) owns or possesses at least one but fewer than **5,000** [1,000] unstamped cigarettes, with intent to sell; or

(C) acquires, holds, transports, imports, or possesses at least one but fewer than 10,000 unstamped cigarettes; or

(2) is not licensed under this chapter or otherwise authorized by the department to possess stamps and possesses a stamp that is not affixed to a cigarette package.”

Renumber following bill sections accordingly.

Senator Bunde moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 1. Without objection, Amendment No. 1 was adopted.

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the bill be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Senator Green objected.

President Therriault stated CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 368(FIN) am will be on the April 29 calendar.

SB 385

SENATE BILL NO. 385 "An Act relating to homeland security, to civil defense, to emergencies and to disasters, including disasters in the event of attacks, outbreaks of disease, or threats of attack or outbreak of disease; establishing the Alaska division of homeland security and emergency management in the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs and relating to the functions of that division and that department; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Seekins, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Judiciary Committee Substitute offered on page 3009. Senator Ellis objected, then withdrew his objection. There being no further objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 385(JUD) was adopted.

Senator Ogan offered Amendment No. 1:

Page 16, line 28, following "**property**":

Insert "; however, at a checkpoint authorized under this paragraph, a person is entitled to retain possession of an amount of deadly weapons or defensive weapons that is reasonably justifiable for the person's lawful use, so long as those weapons are not prohibited weapons; in this paragraph, "deadly weapon" and "defensive weapon" have the meanings given in AS 11.81.900(b), and "prohibited weapon" has the meaning given in AS 11.61.200"

Senator Ogan moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 1. Senator Elton objected.

Senator Guess called the Senate. Senator Guess lifted the call.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 1 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 385(JUD)
Second Reading
Amendment No. 1

YEAS: 17 NAYS: 2 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Green, Guess, Lincoln, Ogan, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Stevens G, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

Nays: Elton, Hoffman

Absent: Stevens B

Bunde changed from "Nay" to "Yea".

and so, Amendment No. 1 was adopted.

Senator Ogan offered Amendment No. 2:

Page 19, line 12:

Delete "widespread or severe"

Insert "widespread severe"

Senator Ogan moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 2. Without objection, Amendment No. 2 was adopted.

Senator Ogan moved that the Senate rescind its previous action in adopting Amendment No. 2. Without objection, the Senate rescinded its previous action.

Amendment No. 2 was before the Senate.

Senator Ogan moved to withdraw Amendment No. 2. Without objection, Amendment No. 2 was withdrawn.

Senators French, Dyson offered Amendment No. 3:

Page 16, line 26, following "**vehicles**":

Insert "**passing through the checkpoint**"

Senator Dyson moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 3. Without objection, Amendment No. 3 was adopted.

Senator Bunde, Acting Majority Leader, moved and asked unanimous consent that the bill be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Senator Ellis objected.

President Therriault stated CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 385(JUD) am will be on the April 29 calendar.

Third Reading of Senate Bills

SB 297

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 297(RES) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 297(RES) "An Act relating to bear predation management and the donation and sale of bear hides and skulls" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 297(RES)

Third Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 13 NAYS: 6 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Cowdery, Dyson, Green, Hoffman, Lincoln, Ogan, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

Nays: Davis, Ellis, Elton, French, Guess, Stevens G

Absent: Stevens B

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 297(RES) passed the Senate.

Senator Ellis gave notice of reconsideration.

SB 340

SENATE BILL NO. 340 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SENATE BILL NO. 340 "An Act relating to the detention of delinquent minors in correctional facilities; relating to emergency detention of minors for evaluation for involuntary admission for mental health treatment; relating to detention of intoxicated minors and minors incapacitated by alcohol or drugs; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 340

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date

YEAS: 18 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Guess, Lincoln, Ogan, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Stevens G, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

Nays: Hoffman

Absent: Stevens B

and so, SENATE BILL NO. 340 passed the Senate.

Senator Bunde, Acting Majority Leader, moved and asked unanimous consent that the vote on the passage of the bill be considered the vote on the effective date clause. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Lincoln gave notice of reconsideration.

Citations

Honoring – Petersburg High School Lady Vikings Basketball Team
 Senator(s) Stedman, Therriault, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Elton, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Olson, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Wagoner, Wilken
 Representative(s) Wilson

Honoring – Master Sergeant David Hudson, as 2003 Pacific Air Command Air Force's (PACAF) Enlisted Reservist of the Year
 Representative(s) Kott, Hawker, Dahlstrom
 Senator(s) Dyson, Bunde, Therriault, Cowdery, Davis, Elton, French, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Wagoner, Wilken

Honoring – Metlakatla High School Chiefs Boys Basketball Team

Representative(s) Kookesh

Senator(s) Lincoln, Therriault, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Wagoner, Wilken

Honoring – Mary Pat Wyatt

Representative(s) Kerttula, Weyhrauch

Senator(s) Elton, Therriault, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Wagoner, Wilken

In Memoriam – Margaret B. Lee

Senator(s) Dyson, Therriault, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Elton, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Wagoner, Wilken

In Memoriam – Jake Ketscher, Esquire

Representative(s) Coghill

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

Senator Bunde, Acting Majority Leader, 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 Bunde, Acting Majority Leader, moved and asked unanimous consent that Senator Ben Stevens be excused from a call of the Senate until morning plane time, April 29. Without objection, Senator Ben Stevens was excused.

Senator Stedman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from morning plane time, April 30 to plane time, May 1. Without objection, Senator Stedman was excused.

SB 31

The reconsideration on CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 31(RES) am "An Act relating to a transportation corridor for extension of the Alaska Railroad to Canada and to extension of the Alaska Railroad to connect with the North American railroad system" was not taken up this legislative day and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

SB 239

The reconsideration on CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 239(HES) am "An Act relating to the required number of days or hours in session in a school year; and providing for an effective date" was not taken up this legislative day and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

President Therriault stated, under Uniform Rule 23(d), committees shall now post written notice of the time, place and subject matter of a meeting at least 24 hours before the meeting.

Engrossment**SB 31**

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 31(RES) am "An Act relating to a transportation corridor for extension of the Alaska Railroad to Canada and to extension of the Alaska Railroad to connect with the North American railroad system" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

SB 239

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 239(HES) am "An Act relating to the required number of days or hours in session in a school year; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

Adjournment

Senator Bunde, Acting Majority Leader, moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 10:00 a.m., April 29, 2004. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 1:11 p.m.

Kirsten Waid
Secretary of the Senate

April 2004

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference
 = indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Apr 28 Wednesday Fahrenkamp 203 1:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Apr 30 Friday Fahrenkamp 203 1:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

FINANCE

Apr 28 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + SB 281 GENETICALLY MODIFIED FISH
 + SB 282 PREPARED FOOD: WILD/FARMED FISH DISCLOSURE
 + SB 392 REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA
 + HB 486 MINING RECLAMATION ASSURANCES/FUND
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 += SB 272 DEFERRED DEPOSIT ADVANCES (PAYDAY LOANS)
 += SB 313 FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION
 += SB 65 CORRECTIONAL FACILITY EXPANSION

Apr 28 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 1:40 PM
 Executive Session

FINANCE (continued)

Apr 29 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 = SB 313 FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION
 = SB 282 PREPARED FOOD:WILD/FARMED FISH DISCLOSURE
 = HB 486 MINING RECLAMATION ASSURANCES/FUND
 = SB 65 CORRECTIONAL FACILITY EXPANSION
 + SB 284 PF DIVIDEND APPLICATION RECORDS PRIVATE
 + SB 349 MIDWIFERY BIRTH CENTER LICENSING
 = SB 393 TAKE PERM FUND DIVIDEND FOR UNIV FEES
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 30 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + SB 232 RETIREMENT:TEACHERS/JUDGES/PUB EMPLOYEES
 + HB 123 ALASKA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD
 + HB 503 TOBACCO MASTER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES

Apr 28 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 30 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY

Apr 28 Wednesday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM
 + Confirmation Hearings:
 Violent Crimes Compensation Board
 David Ingraham, Gerad Godfrey
 Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar
 Joe N. Faulhaber, Michael J. Hurley
 Commission of Judicial Conduct
 Peter J. Aschenbrenner, Thomas G. Nave
 + HB 15 SOLICITATIONS/CONSUMER PROTECTION
 += HB 29 REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS/LICENSEES
 <Pending Referral>
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY (continued)

- Apr 29 Thursday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM**
 + SB 369 UNIV. STUDENT PRACTICUM LIABILITY/WAGES
 + SJR 33 CONGRESSIONAL VOTE ON JUDICIAL NOMINATION
 <Pending Referral>
 += HB 188 BAIL SCHEDULE FOR SKIING VIOLATION
 += HB 25 HEALTH CARE SERVICES DIRECTIVES
 += HB 514 CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT/ CRIMES
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Apr 30 Friday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM**
 -- Meeting Canceled --
 -- Agenda to be Announced --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- May 01 Saturday Butrovich 205 5:00 PM**
 += SJR 33 CONGRESSIONAL VOTE ON JUDICIAL NOMINATION
 <Pending Referral>
 += HB 29 REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS/LICENSEES
 <Pending Referral>
 += HB 15 SOLICITATIONS/CONSUMER PROTECTION
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

- Apr 29 Thursday Beltz 211 1:30 PM**
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Premera/Blue Cross Blue Shield Conversion
 "An Overview So Far"
 Confirmation Hearings:
 Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
 State Assessment Review Board
 Board of Marine Pilots
 Alaska Workers' Compensation Board
 State Board of Registration for
 Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors
 Board of Barbers and Hairdressers
 + HB 430 EMPLOYEES UNDER 21 AT LICENSED PREMISES
 + HB 423 TAXICAB DRIVER LIABILITY
 + HB 418 EXTEND REAL ESTATE COMMISSION
 + HB 517 SECURITY ACCOUNT BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

RESOURCES

Apr 28 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + HB 417 AK NATURAL GAS DEV. AUTHORITY INITIATIVE
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 30 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 += SB 312 CONVENTIONAL & NONCONVENTIONAL GAS LEASES
 + HB 522 SMALL CRUISE SHIP DISCHARGES
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

STATE AFFAIRS

Apr 29 Thursday Beltz 211 3:30 PM
 + HJR 36 MITIGATING GLACIER BAY FISHING CLOSURES
 + HB 273 PARENTS' WAIVER OF CHILD'S SPORTS CLAIM
 + HB 467 COMMEMORATIVE QUARTERS COMMISSION
 + HB 476 AK STATEHOOD CELEBRATION COMMISSION
 + HB 353 JURY DUTY EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN TEACHERS
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Apr 29 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 SB 395 MUNICIPAL LAND USE REGULATION
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JOINT COMMITTEES

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HB 375 & HB 377

Apr 29 Thursday Senate Finance 532 4:00 PM
 HB 375 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
 HB 377 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET
 <Pending Referral>

JOINT COMMITTEES (continued)

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

May 05 Wednesday House Finance Room 5:00 PM
Agenda To Be Announced

SELECT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS

May 07 Friday Capitol 120 8:00 AM
+ Full Committee Meeting: Open Session
Advisory Opinion 04-03
<Public Comment by Invitation Only>
Open Meetings