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Seventieth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 11:03 a.m.

The roll showed thirteen members present. Senators Dyson, French, Kookesh, Meyer were excused from a call of the Senate. Senators Huggins, McGuire were absent. The seat from District B was vacant.

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that Senators Huggins, McGuire be excused from a call of the Senate today. Without objection, Senators Huggins, McGuire were excused.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Saralyn Tabachnick of the Congregation Sukkat Shalom. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Dear God, please guide us and open our hearts so that we are able to listen with compassion and understanding, to speak calmly and with kindness. Guide us to look not for right and wrong but rather to identify what is needed and appropriate.

Creator of the Universe, in championing the well being, welfare and dignity of all citizens living throughout the state, from those in cities of tens of thousands to those in villages of tens and hundreds, help us recognize and honor the divergent needs of all as we try to meet those needs in the best possible

ways. Teach us all to be equal contributors to the beauty of the whole, to discover our unique qualities and to express them in ways that exemplify harmony and truth.

We live in a state rich with beauty and splendor of the natural world. Let us honor the magnificence of life in us as in nature. Bless us that we be a source of peace, joy and light each in our own lives, and in the lives of one another. Amen.

Senator Therriault led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the sixty-seventh through sixty-ninth legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the Governor

Letter dated March 27 was read stating in accordance with AS 39.05.080, I submit the following name for legislative confirmation of appointment set out below:

Attorney General

Wayne Anthony Ross

Appointed: 3/26/2009

The appointment was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The resume for this appointment has been submitted to the Offices of the Senate Secretary and the Chief Clerk.

Messages from the House

SB 111

Message dated March 27 was read stating the House passed and returned:

SENATE BILL NO. 111 "An Act relating to the duration of a certificate of compliance for an intrastate air service provider; and providing for an effective date."

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

Messages dated March 27 were read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

**First Reading and Reference of
House Resolutions**

HCR 13

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13 BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE,

Certifying that the State of Alaska requests and will use any funds provided to the state, a state agency, a municipality, or a political subdivision of the state under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

was read the first time and held on the Secretary's desk.

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 10

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 10(FIN) BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act authorizing a borough to charge a city for costs of collecting certain taxes; relating to a mandatory exemption from municipal property taxes for residences of certain widows or widowers, and to optional exemptions from municipal property taxes for property of certain fraternal organizations, for certain college property, and for certain residential property; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 19

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 19(L&C) BY THE HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act exempting the state and its political subdivisions from daylight saving time; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs, Community and Regional Affairs, Labor and Commerce Committees.

HB 26

HOUSE BILL NO. 26 BY REPRESENTATIVES HAWKER, Munoz, Gara, Kerttula, Seaton, Dahlstrom, Lynn, Tuck, Neuman, Gardner, entitled:

"An Act repealing the repeal of preventative and restorative adult dental services reimbursement under Medicaid; providing for an effective date by repealing the effective date of sec. 3, ch. 52, SLA 2006; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 129

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 129(RLS) BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to the authority of the Real Estate Commission to revoke licenses of persons convicted of certain crimes."

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

HB 152

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 152(JUD) BY THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act making corrective amendments to the Alaska Statutes as recommended by the revisor of statutes; providing for an effective date by repealing the effective date of sec. 33, ch. 122, SLA 1977; and providing for an effective date."

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

Communications

Report from the Commissioner of the Department of Administration dated March 25 was received stating the monetary terms for the collective bargaining agreement reached between the State and Public Employees Local 71 representing the Labor, Trades and Crafts Unit in accordance with AS 23.40.215.

The President referred the report to the Finance Committee.

Standing Committee Reports**SB 24**

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 24 "An Act naming the bridge over Hammer Slough on Nordic Drive in Petersburg the Louis Miller Bridge." Signing do pass: Senators Hoffman, Stedman, Cochairs; Senators Thomas, Ellis, Huggins.

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

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 25

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 25 "An Act naming the South Mitkof Island ferry terminal the Richard 'Dewey' Duvall Ferry Terminal." Signing do pass: Senators Hoffman, Stedman, Cochairs; Senators Huggins, Thomas, Ellis.

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

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 32

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 32 "An Act relating to medical assistance payments for home and community-based services" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 32(FIN) "An Act relating to medical assistance payments for home and community-based services and provision of personal care services in a recipient's home; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Hoffman, Cochair; Senators Thomas, Ellis.
Signing no recommendation: Senator Stedman, Cochair; Senator Olson.

The following fiscal information was published today:
Fiscal Note No. 3, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 4, Department of Health and Social Services

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

The presence of Senator McGuire was noted.

SB 45

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 45 "An Act relating to state employment preferences for veterans, former prisoners of war, and members of the Alaska National Guard; authorizing the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs to establish and maintain

Alaska veterans' cemeteries; establishing the Alaska veterans' cemetery fund in the general fund; and authorizing the legislature to appropriate income from fees collected for commemorative veterans' plates to the Alaska veterans' cemetery fund" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 45(FIN)

Signing do pass: Senator Hoffman, Cochair; Senator Thomas. Signing no recommendation: Senator Stedman, Cochair; Senator Olson. Signing amend: Senator Ellis.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:
Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Military and Veterans Affairs

The bill is on today's calendar.

SB 54

The Resources Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 54 "An Act making sales of and offers to sell certain energy resources by a refiner at prices that are exorbitant or excessive an unlawful act or practice under the Alaska Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Act" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 54(RES) "An Act making sales of and offers to sell certain energy resources at prices that are exorbitant or excessive an unlawful act or practice under the Alaska Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Act."

Signing do pass: Senator Wielechowski, Cochair, Senator French. Signing no recommendation: Senator McGuire, Cochair, Senator Stevens. Signing amend: Senator Huggins.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:
Fiscal Note No. 1, indeterminate, Department of Law

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

SB 71

The Resources Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 71 "An Act relating to alternative energy systems for public works" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 71(RES)

Signing do pass: Senators McGuire, Wielechowski, Cochairs. Signing no recommendation: Senators French, Stevens.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

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

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 101

The Health and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 101 "An Act relating to questionnaires and surveys administered in the public schools." Signing do pass: Senator Davis, Chair, Senators Thomas, Paskvan.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Education and Early Development

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 102

The Judiciary Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 102 "An Act relating to compulsory school attendance; relating to the crime of contributing to the delinquency of a minor; and relating to school disciplinary action and truancy" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 102(JUD) "An Act relating to compulsory school attendance; and relating to the crime of contributing to the delinquency of a minor."

Signing no recommendation: Senator French, Chair; Senator Therriault. Signing do pass: Senator McGuire.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:
Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Education and Early
Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 133

The Health and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 133 "An Act creating a statewide electronic health information exchange system; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 133(HSS)

Signing do pass: Senator Davis, Chair; Senators Thomas, Paskvan.

The following fiscal information was published today:
Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Health and Social Services

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SJR 16

The Resources Committee considered SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 16 Expressing support for environmentally sound and culturally sensitive development of the oil and gas resources in federal waters offshore of Alaska's coast as a means to ensure energy independence, security for the nation, and jobs for Alaskans; and urging the United States Congress to provide a means for consistently sharing with all coastal energy-producing states, on an ongoing basis, revenue generated from oil and gas development on the outer continental shelf, to ensure that those states develop, support, and maintain necessary infrastructure and preserve environmental integrity, and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO.
16(RES) Expressing support for responsible
development of the oil and gas resources in federal

waters offshore of Alaska's coast as a means to ensure energy independence, security for the nation, and jobs for Alaskans; and urging the United States Congress to provide a means for consistently sharing with all coastal energy-producing states, on an ongoing basis, revenue generated from oil and gas development on the outer continental shelf, to ensure that those states develop, support, and maintain necessary infrastructure and preserve environmental integrity.

Signing do pass: Senators McGuire, Wielechowski, Cochairs; Senators French, Stevens. Signing no recommendation: Senator Huggins.

The following fiscal information was published today:
Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Senate Resources Committee

The resolution was referred to the Rules Committee.

HCR 2

The Resources Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2(RES) am Requesting the governor to provide energy security for all Alaskans first by pursuing development of a natural gas bullet pipeline from the North Slope to the Cook Inlet region; and requesting the governor to identify and negotiate where appropriate with one or more persons capable of producing natural gas from the Gubik area, and other areas on the North Slope if necessary, in sufficient quantities to support the energy needs of Alaskans and a bullet pipeline project, and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2(RES) Urging the Governor to provide energy security for all Alaskans by thoroughly evaluating the feasibility of construction of a natural gas pipeline for delivering natural gas from the North Slope or Brooks Range foothills to Southcentral and Interior Alaska; urging the Governor to initiate discussions with all potential industrial users of natural gas, including the Agrium U.S., Inc., facility and other businesses interested in value-added processing of

petroleum gases transported in a natural gas pipeline from the North Slope or Brooks Range foothills for the purpose of providing jobs for Alaskans and ensuring the economic viability of the pipeline; urging the Governor to identify and, where appropriate, to negotiate with, one or more entities capable of producing and supplying natural gas from the North Slope or Brooks Range foothills to Southcentral and Interior Alaska on commercially reasonable terms and in sufficient quantities to support the energy needs of Alaskans and the economic viability of a pipeline; urging the Governor to advocate for an increase in the volume of gas that may be exported under a license issued by the United States Department of Energy after Alaskans' demand for affordable natural gas has been fully satisfied; and urging the Governor to take the requested actions before June 1, 2011.

Signing do pass: Senators McGuire, Wielechowski, Cochairs; Senators Stevens, Huggins, French.

The resolution was referred to the Finance Committee.

Special Committee Reports

SB 150

The Senate Special Committee on Energy considered SENATE BILL NO. 150 "An Act establishing an emerging energy technology fund." Signing do pass: Senator McGuire, Chair; Senators Kookesh, Wielechowski.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, University of Alaska

The bill was referred to the Resources Committee.

The presence of Senators Meyer, French, Huggins was noted.

Consideration of the Calendar**Second Reading of Senate Bills****SB 45**

SENATE BILL NO. 45 "An Act relating to state employment preferences for veterans, former prisoners of war, and members of the Alaska National Guard; authorizing the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs to establish and maintain Alaska veterans' cemeteries; establishing the Alaska veterans' cemetery fund in the general fund; and authorizing the legislature to appropriate income from fees collected for commemorative veterans' plates to the Alaska veterans' cemetery fund" was read the second time.

Senator Stedman, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Finance Committee Substitute offered on page 695. Without objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 45(FIN) was adopted.

Senator Ellis 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. 45(FIN) was read the third time.

Senators Wagoner, French, Olson, Thomas, Davis, Ellis, Paskvan, Wielechowski, Menard, Meyer, McGuire, Hoffman, Stedman, Stevens, Bunde moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on the bill. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 45(FIN) "An Act relating to state employment preferences for veterans, former prisoners of war, and members of the Alaska National Guard; authorizing the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs to establish and maintain Alaska veterans' cemeteries; establishing the Alaska veterans' cemetery fund in the general fund; and authorizing the legislature to appropriate income from fees collected for commemorative veterans' plates to the Alaska veterans' cemetery fund" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 45(FIN)

Third Reading - Final Passage

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

Yeas: Bunde, Davis, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Excused: Dyson, Kookesh

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 45(FIN) passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

Second Reading of House Bills

HB 81

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 81(FIN) am(brf sup maj fld) "An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government, for certain programs, and to capitalize funds; making supplemental appropriations; making reappropriations; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Stedman, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Finance Senate Committee Substitute offered on page 669. Without objection, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 81(FIN) "An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government, for certain programs, and to capitalize funds; making supplemental appropriations; making reappropriations; making appropriations under art. IX, sec. 17(c), Constitution of the State of Alaska; and providing for an effective date" was adopted.

President Stevens stated SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 81(FIN) will advance to third reading on the April 1 calendar.

HB 83

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 83(FIN) "An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Stedman, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Finance Senate Committee Substitute offered on page 670. Without objection, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 83(FIN) was adopted.

President Stevens stated SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 83(FIN) will advance to third reading on the April 1 calendar.

Second Reading of House Resolutions

HJR 17

CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17(JUD) Urging the United States Congress to reject H.R. 45, the Blair Holt's Firearm Licensing and Record of Sale Act of 2009, was read the second time.

Senator French, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Judiciary Senate Committee Substitute offered on page 597. Without objection, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17(JUD) was adopted.

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

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17(JUD) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17(JUD) Urging the United States Congress to reject H.R. 45, the Blair Holt's Firearm Licensing and Record of Sale Act of 2009, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHJR 17(JUD)

Third Reading - Final Passage

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

Yeas: Bunde, Davis, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Excused: Dyson, Kookesh

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17(JUD) passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

Citations

Honoring – Douglas B. Molyneux

Senator(s) Hoffman, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski
Representative(s) Herron

Honoring – Susan "Suzy" Kellard

Senator(s) Huggins, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski
Representative(s) Neuman

Honoring – Leroi & Margaret Heaven

Senator(s) Huggins, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski
Representative(s) Stoltze

Honoring – James "Jim" Norcross

Senator(s) Huggins, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski
Representative(s) Neuman

Honoring – U.S. Coast Guard Personnel in the Rescue of 42 Crew from F/V *Alaska Ranger*

Representative(s) Austerman

Senator(s) Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring – Kodiak Island Search and Rescue Team

Representative(s) Austerman

Senator(s) Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring – Lieutenant Ray Ellis

Representative(s) Austerman

Senator(s) Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring – Jon Van Zyle

Representative(s) Dahlstrom

Senator(s) Dyson, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring – Point Hope Harpooners 2009 Class 2A Boys State Basketball Champions

Representative(s) Joule

Senator(s) Olson, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring – Dan Contini

Representative(s) Stoltze, Gatto, Keller, Harris, Neuman

Senator(s) Menard, Huggins, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring – Safari Club International Alaska Chapter

Representative(s) Stoltze, Gatto, Keller

Senator(s) Huggins, Menard, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring – Chugiak High School Girls Basketball Team
Representative(s) Stoltze, Fairclough, Dahlstrom, Hawker
Senator(s) Huggins, Dyson, Bunde, Stevens, Davis, Ellis, Hoffman,
Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman,
Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring – Jim Jansen
Representative(s) Johnson
Senator(s) McGuire, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman,
Huggins, Kookesh, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman,
Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring – Alak School Huskies 2009 Class 1A Girls State Basketball
Champions
Representative(s) Joule
Senator(s) Olson, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman,
Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Paskvan, Stedman,
Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring – Skye Ahrens and Jared Peace, Red Cross of Alaska
Medical Rescue Heroes
Representative(s) Joule
Senator(s) Olson, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French,
Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Paskvan,
Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam – Dr. Curtis "Curt" Menard
Senator(s) Huggins, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French,
Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan,
Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski
Representative(s) Keller, Gatto, Neuman, Stoltze

In Memoriam – Jean Schmitt
Representative(s) Coghill
Senator(s) Therriault, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman,
Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan,
Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam – Raymond Russell Boyd

Representative(s) Coghill

Senator(s) Therriault, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam – Linda K. Manns

Representative(s) Coghill

Senator(s) Therriault, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam – Janet Ruth Baird

Representative(s) Coghill

Senator(s) Therriault, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam – Lorraine "Lola" Pederson

Representative(s) Stoltze, Fairclough, Dahlstrom, Hawker

Senator(s) Bunde, Dyson, Huggins, Stevens, Davis, Ellis, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam – Mary Elizabeth Combs

Representative(s) Stoltze, Kerttula, Gatto, Keller

Senator(s) Huggins, Menard, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam – Maxine Dorothy Devilbiss

Representative(s) Stoltze, Gatto, Keller, Harris

Senator(s) Menard, Huggins, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam – Edward Loescher

Representative(s) Stoltze, Fairclough, Dahlstrom, Hawker

Senator(s) Dyson, Huggins, Bunde, Stevens, Davis, Ellis, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Senator Ellis 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

SB 32

Senator Menard moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cosponsor on SENATE BILL NO. 32 "An Act relating to medical assistance payments for home and community-based services." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Engrossment

SB 45

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 45(FIN) "An Act relating to state employment preferences for veterans, former prisoners of war, and members of the Alaska National Guard; authorizing the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs to establish and maintain Alaska veterans' cemeteries; establishing the Alaska veterans' cemetery fund in the general fund; and authorizing the legislature to appropriate income from fees collected for commemorative veterans' plates to the Alaska veterans' cemetery fund" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

HJR 17

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17(JUD) Urging the United States Congress to reject H.R. 45, the Blair Holt's Firearm Licensing and Record of Sale Act of 2009, was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

Adjournment

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., April 1, 2009. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Kirsten Waid
Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference
 = indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Mar 31 Tuesday Beltz 211 3:30 PM
 + SB 165 AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF RAILROAD LAND

Apr 02 Thursday Beltz 211 3:30 PM
 Alaska Statehood Celebration Commission
 Presentation
 += SB 137 REPORT ON MEETINGS OF BOARD OF FISHERIES
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

EDUCATION

Mar 30 Monday Beltz 211 8:00 AM
 Presentations:
 Moore v. State of Alaska: Norman Eck,
 Superintendent, NW Arctic School Board
 Preparing Children for Success in School,
 Sue Hull, Best Beginnings

Apr 01 Wednesday Beltz 211 8:00 AM
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Including:
 += SB 109 REPEAL SECONDARY SCHOOL EXIT EXAM

EDUCATION (continued)

Apr 01 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 12:00 PM
 -- Please Note Time & Location Change --
 Brown Bag Luncheon
 "Rebooting Education: Digital Learning in
 Alaska's Classrooms"
 Presentations by:
 Carl Rose, Executive Director, Assoc. of Alaska School Boards
 Sarah Marino, teacher and two students, Yaakoosge Daakahidi
 Alternative High School
 Dr. David Silvernail, Director of
 Research at University of Southern Maine

Apr 03 Friday Beltz 211 8:00 AM
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled Including:
 += SB 105 FOSTER CARE/CINA/EDUCATION OF HOMELESS

FINANCE

Mar 30 Monday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 += SB 45 VETERANS' CEMETERIES/FUND/LICENSE PLATES
 += SB 32 MEDICAID:HOME/COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES
 + SB 96 CHILD SUPPORT/ CASH MEDICAL SUPPORT
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 31 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Apr 01 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 += SB 57 CHARTER SCHOOL FUNDING
 + HB 109 EDUC. LOANS: SUPPLEMENTAL & FAMILY
 + HB 172 STATE INVESTMENT IN EDUCATION FUND
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 02 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 += SB 161 APPROPS: NON-TRANSPORTATION STIMULUS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 03 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 += SB 161 APPROPS: NON-TRANSPORTATION STIMULUS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Mar 30 Monday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 += SB 101 STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRES AND SURVEYS
 += SB 70 NATUROPATHS

Apr 01 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

+ SB 66 MENTAL HEALTH PATIENT GRIEVANCES
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 03 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

+ SB 38 PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS; MANAGED CARE
 + SB 156 COMPACT FOR JUVENILES; INTERSTATE COUNCIL
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY

Mar 30 Monday Beltz 211 1:30 PM

+ SB 148 LIABILITY FOR TRIBAL ROAD CONSTRUCTION
 + SB 48 MEETINGS OF ROAD SERVICE AREA BOARDS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 01 Wednesday Beltz 211 1:30 PM

+= SB 85 ALCOHOL: LOCAL OPTION/LICENSING/MINORS
 += SB 110 PRESERVATION OF EVIDENCE
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 03 Friday Beltz 211 1:30 PM

+ SB 54 PRICE GOUGING INVOLVING ENERGY RESOURCES
 + HB 49 EMINENT DOMAIN: RECREATIONAL STRUCTURES
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

Mar 31 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:00 PM

-- Time & Location Change --
 + Confirmation of Governor's Appointments
 += SB 149 MORTGAGE LENDING
 += SB 60 UNIFORM PROBATE CODE; TRUSTS, WILLS
 + SB 170 UNEMPLOYMENT AMENDMENTS: FED STIMULUS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE (continued)

Apr 02 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:00 PM
 -- Time & Location Change --
 + Presentation: Overview of Nenana Basin Gas Exploration
 Project by Doyon Ltd. and Rampart Energy
 + SB 159 WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUNERAL EXPENSES
 + SB 163 MAXIMUM BENEFIT FROM FISHERMEN'S FUND
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

RESOURCES

Mar 30 Monday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 += SJR 13 URGING US TO RATIFY LAW OF THE SEA TREATY
 + HJR 21 GROUND FISH FISHERIES LICENSES
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 01 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + SB 150 EMERGING ENERGY TECHNOLOGY FUND
 + Confirmation Hearings:
 Big Game Commercial Services Board
 Alaska Oil & Gas Conservation Commission
 Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 03 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + HJR 18 OPPOSING ANWR WILDERNESS DESIGNATION
 + HJR 7 ENDORSING ANWR LEASING
 + SCR 3 OPPOSE FED. CONTROL OF STATE LAND & WATER
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

STATE AFFAIRS

Mar 31 Tuesday Beltz 211 9:00 AM
 + SB 158 RETURN OF PROPERTY
 + SB 68 FELONS' RIGHT TO VOTE
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 += SB 126 REEMPLOYMENT OF RETIREES; EXEMPT SERVICE
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Apr 02 Thursday Beltz 211 9:00 AM
 + SB 157 CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION FOR SUPPORT
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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TRANSPORTATION

Mar 31 **Tuesday** **Butrovich 205** **1:00 PM**
No Meeting Scheduled

Apr 02 **Thursday** **Butrovich 205** **1:00 PM**
No Meeting Scheduled

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

ENERGY

Apr 02 **Thursday** **Butrovich 205** **11:00 AM**
+= SB 135 ALASKA NATURAL GAS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
+ SB 162 HEATING FUEL ENERGY RELIEF
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 03 **Friday** **Butrovich 205** **11:00 AM**
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 04 **Saturday** **House Finance 519** **10:00 AM**
+ Joint w/(H) Energy
Roundtable on Energy Governance in Alaska

WORLD TRADE, TECH, INNOVATIONS

Apr 02 **Thursday** **Butrovich 205** **4:00 PM**
+ SB 37 DIVEST INVESTMENTS IN SUDAN

JOINT COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

Mar 30 **Monday** **House Finance 519** **5:00 PM**
+ Open Session: ARRA Report - Steve Porter
Executive Session: Audits
Other Committee Business
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Apr 02 **Thursday** **Senate Finance 532** **5:00 PM**
 Agenda to be Announced

OTHER MEETINGS**CHILDREN'S CAUCUS**

Mar 31 **Tuesday** **Butrovich 205** **12:00 PM**
 + Topic: Exposure to Violence and a Child's
 Developing Brain

JOINT LEGISLATIVE HEALTH CAUCUS

Apr 03 **Friday** **Capitol 106** **1:00 PM**
 Galena School Energy Conference: Rural
 Student and Community Leaders on the
 Connection between Health and Energy

May 13 **Wednesday** **Anch Lio Conf Rm** **12:30 PM**
 Week of the Uninsured

JOINT SESSION

Apr 07 **Tuesday** **House Chamber** **11:00 AM**
 Annual Address by the Honorable
 Mark Begich, U.S. Senator