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Fifty-sixth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Meyer at 11:10 a.m.

The roll showed twenty members present.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Nathan Stearman, Juneau Seventh-day Adventist Church. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Good morning, Lord!

It is with great pleasure that I come today to offer a prayer on behalf of the Senate of the Great State of Alaska. I am grateful for the diligent work which they have been putting in during this legislative session. As they come together this morning to transact business, I ask that you would be with them—that you would grant them the wisdom needed. As you are well aware, our state is still trying to find its way out of great financial difficulty and I ask for special guidance this morning, especially in matters of finance. I want to pray, too, for the families of these law-makers—many of whom are miles away. Grant them your protection and care. Finally, please be with our nation, as we work through the process of electing our next president, I ask that your hand would guide. Thank you for your abounding care for us. Amen.

Senator Wielechowski led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the fifty-fourth and fifty-fifth legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Consideration of the Calendar**Third Reading of House Bills****HB 256**

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 256(FIN) "An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; amending appropriations; repealing appropriations; making supplemental appropriations; and providing for an effective date" was read the third time.

Senator Gardner moved that the bill be returned to second reading for the purpose of a specific amendment, that being Amendment No. 1. Without objection, the bill was returned to second reading.

President Meyer stated the bill would remain in second reading for all amendments offered today. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Senators Gardner, Egan, Ellis, Wielechowski offered Amendment No. 1:

Page 1, line 2, following "**funds**";:
Insert "**lapsing appropriations**";

Page 12, line 24:
Delete "**235,111,900**"
Insert "**238,611,900**"
Delete "**16,596,500**"
Insert "**20,096,500**"

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Page 12, following line 32:

Insert new material to read:

	"ALLOCATIONS
Pre-Kindergarten	2,000,000
Grants	
Statewide Mentoring	1,500,000
Program"	

Page 13, line 17:

Delete "**11,730,100**"Insert "**12,491,900**"Delete "**9,811,300**"Insert "**10,573,100**"

Page 13, following line 21:

Insert new material to read:

	"ALLOCATIONS
Online With Libraries	761,800"

Page 43, line 6:

Delete "**897,117,100**"Insert "**907,118,700**"Delete "**661,411,600**"Insert "**671,413,200**"

Page 43, line 7:

Delete "-15,772,100"

Insert "-5,770,500"

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Page 82, line 13, following "APPROPRIATIONS.":

Insert "(a)"

Page 82, following line 14:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(b) The unexpended and unobligated general fund balances of the following appropriations, estimated to be a total of \$21,506,293, lapse into the general fund on June 30, 2016:

(1) sec. 1, ch. 82, SLA 2003, page 44, line 31, and allocated on page 49, lines 24 - 26 (Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, surface transportation program, Knik Arm Crossing environmental impact statement - \$33,600,000);

(2) sec. 7, ch. 43, SLA 2010, page 38, line 11, and allocated on page 38, lines 12 - 14 (Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, roads to resources, Ambler mining district access planning, design and engineering - \$4,000,000);

(3) sec. 1, ch. 5, FSSLA 2011, page 101, line 25, and allocated on page 101, lines 28 - 29 (Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, roads to resources, Ambler mining district - \$1,250,000);

(4) sec. 1, ch. 17, SLA 2012, page 133, line 28, and allocated on page 133, lines 29 - 30 (Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, roads to resources, Ambler mining district - \$4,000,000);

(5) sec. 1, ch. 16, SLA 2013, page 3, lines 28 - 31 (Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority, Ambler mining district access - \$8,500,000);

(6) sec. 4, ch. 16, SLA 2013, page 105, lines 20 - 24 (Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Alaska Energy Authority, energy generation projects, Susitna-Watana hydroelectric project - \$95,200,000);

(7) sec. 1, ch. 18, SLA 2014, page 3, lines 16 - 18 (Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority, Ambler mining district access project - \$8,500,000);

(8) sec. 1, ch. 18, SLA 2014, page 63, line 4, and allocated on page 63, lines 12 - 13 (Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, economic development, Knik Arm bridge project development - \$55,000,000);

(9) sec. 4, ch. 18, SLA 2014, page 87, lines 10 - 11 (Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Alaska Energy Authority, Susitna-Watana hydroelectric project - \$20,000,000)."

Page 82, line 25:

Delete "Sections 27(b), 27(d), 31, 34(a), and 34(c)"

Insert "Sections 27(b), 27(d), 31, 33(b), 34(a), and 34(c)"

Senator Gardner moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 1.
Senator Coghill objected.

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

SCS CSHB 256(FIN)
Second Reading
Amendment No. 1?

YEAS: 4 NAYS: 16 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze

and so, Amendment No. 1 failed.

Senators Gardner, Egan, Ellis, Wielechowski offered Amendment No. 2:

Page 1, line 2, following "**funds;**":
Insert "**lapsing appropriations;**"

Page 4, line 25:
Delete "**879,500**"
Insert "**3,560,500**"
Delete "**779,500**"
Insert "**3,460,500**"

Page 4, following line 25:
Insert new material to read:
"ALLOCATIONS
Public Broadcasting - 2,681,000
Radio"

Page 9, line 11:
Delete "**249,201,700**"
Insert "**249,551,700**"
Delete "**228,477,700**"
Insert "**228,827,700**"

Page 9, line 21:

Delete "12,280,500"

Insert "12,630,500"

Page 26, line 24:

Delete "**11,905,700**" in both places

Insert "**11,466,100**" in both places

Page 26, lines 26 - 27:

Delete all material.

Page 34, line 31:

Delete "**15,272,300**"

Insert "**15,772,300**"

Delete "**10,771,200**"

Insert "**11,271,200**"

Page 34, line 33:

Delete "15,272,300"

Insert "15,772,300"

Page 45, line 3:

Delete "**29,533,800**"

Insert "**25,533,800**"

Delete "**29,488,800**"

Insert "**25,488,800**"

Page 45, line 11:

Delete "5,699,600"

Insert "1,699,600"

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Page 82, line 13, following "APPROPRIATIONS.":

Insert "(a)"

Page 82, following line 14:

Insert new subsections to read:

"(b) The unexpended and unobligated general fund balances of the following appropriations, estimated to be a total of \$11,029,074, lapse into the general fund on June 30, 2016:

(1) sec. 10, ch. 43, SLA 2010, page 99, lines 24 - 26 (Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Port MacKenzie expansion - \$750,000);

(2) sec. 10, ch. 43, SLA 2010, page 99, lines 27 - 31 (Matanuska-Susitna Borough, rail extension to Port MacKenzie from the Alaska Railroad main line - \$35,000,000);

(3) sec. 1, ch. 5, FSSLA 2011, page 37, lines 28 - 30 (Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Port MacKenzie rail extension - \$30,000,000);

(4) sec. 1, ch. 17, SLA 2012, page 32, lines 28 - 30 (Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Port MacKenzie rail extension - \$23,500,000);

(5) sec. 1, ch. 16, SLA 2013, page 21, lines 10 - 12 (Matanuska-Susitna Borough, rail extension to Port MacKenzie - \$25,000,000);

(6) sec. 1, ch. 18, SLA 2014, page 14, lines 3 - 4 (Matanuska-Susitna Borough, rail extension to Port MacKenzie - \$13,000,000).

(c) The unexpended and unobligated general fund balances of the following appropriations, estimated to be a total of \$2,313,287, lapse into the general fund on June 30, 2016:

(1) sec. 2(a), ch. 50, SLA 1997 (Alaska Aerospace Development Corporation, Kodiak Launch Complex - \$5,000,000);

(2) sec. 2(b), ch. 50, SLA 1997 (Alaska Aerospace Development Corporation, Kodiak Launch Complex - \$23,000,000);

(3) sec. 9(a), ch. 2, FSSLA 1999 (Alaska Aerospace Development Corporation, Kodiak Launch Complex);

(4) sec. 1, ch. 82, SLA 2003, page 3, lines 15 - 16 (Department of Community and Economic Development, Kodiak launch site infrastructure - \$38,000,000);

(5) sec. 1, ch. 3, FSSLA 2005, page 3, lines 27 - 28 (Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Kodiak launch site infrastructure - \$36,000,000);

(6) sec. 1, ch. 82, SLA 2006, page 3, lines 30 - 31 (Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Kodiak Launch Complex infrastructure - \$15,000,000);

(7) sec. 4, ch. 30, SLA 2007, page 84, lines 31 - 32 (Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Kodiak Launch Complex infrastructure - \$15,000,000);

(8) sec. 13, ch. 29, SLA 2008, page 88, lines 9 - 10 (Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Kodiak Launch Complex infrastructure - \$17,500,000);

(9) sec. 1, ch. 15, SLA 2009, page 3, lines 9 -10 (Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Kodiak Launch Complex infrastructure - \$17,500,000);

(10) sec. 7, ch. 43, SLA 2010, page 19, lines 9 - 12 (Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Alaska Aerospace Corporation, Kodiak Launch Complex sustainability - \$4,000,000);

(11) sec 31, ch. 5, FSSLA 2011 (Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs, sustained maintenance and operations of the Alaska Aerospace Corporation and the Kodiak Launch Complex - \$4,000,000)."

Page 82, line 25:

Delete "Sections 27(b), 27(d), 31, 34(a), and 34(c)"

Insert "Sections 27(b), 27(d), 31, 33(b), 33(c), 34(a), and 34(c)"

Senator Gardner moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 2. Senator MacKinnon objected.

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

SCS CSHB 256(FIN)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 2?

YEAS: 4 NAYS: 16 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze

and so, Amendment No. 2 failed.

Senators Ellis, Egan, Gardner, Wielechowski offered Amendment No. 3:

Page 22, line 9:

Delete "**298,480,500**"

Insert "**312,792,700**"

Delete "**147,805,100**"

Insert "**162,117,300**"

Page 22, line 19:

Delete "14,891,400"

Insert "20,029,300"

Page 22, line 23:

Delete "14,183,600"

Insert "23,357,900"

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Page 59, following line 24:

Insert new subsections to read:

"(f) It is the intent of the legislature that, notwithstanding AS 43.55.024, the Department of Revenue not pay a producer a tax credit in the amount specified in this subsection for each barrel of oil taxable under AS 43.55.011(e) that does not meet any of the criteria in AS 43.55.160(f) or (g) and that is produced during a calendar year after December 31, 2013, from a lease or property within a unit or nonunitized reservoir that has cumulatively produced 400,000,000 barrels of oil by the close of the most recent calendar year and from which the average daily production of oil from the unit or nonunitized reservoir during the most recent calendar year exceeded 20,000 barrels. The amount of the tax credit for a barrel of taxable oil subject to this subsection produced during a month of the calendar year is

(1) \$8 for each barrel of taxable oil if the average gross value at the point of production for the month is less than \$80 a barrel;

(2) \$7 for each barrel of taxable oil if the average gross value at the point of production for the month is greater than or equal to \$80 a barrel, but less than \$90 a barrel;

(3) \$6 for each barrel of taxable oil if the average gross value at the point of production for the month is greater than or equal to \$90 a barrel, but less than \$100 a barrel;

(4) \$5 for each barrel of taxable oil if the average gross value at the point of production for the month is greater than or equal to \$100 a barrel, but less than \$110 a barrel;

(5) \$4 for each barrel of taxable oil if the average gross value at the point of production for the month is greater than or equal to \$110 a barrel, but less than \$120 a barrel;

(6) \$3 for each barrel of taxable oil if the average gross value at the point of production for the month is greater than or equal to \$120 a barrel, but less than \$130 a barrel;

(7) \$2 for each barrel of taxable oil if the average gross value at the point of production for the month is greater than or equal to \$130 a barrel, but less than \$140 a barrel;

(8) \$1 for each barrel of taxable oil if the average gross value at the point of production for the month is greater than or equal to \$140 a barrel, but less than \$150 a barrel.

(g) It is the intent of the legislature to limit the eligibility of the refinery tax credit provided under AS 43.20.053 to in-state refineries that are headquartered in the state and are at least 51 percent owned by state residents."

Page 74, line 28:

Delete "\$73,425,000"

Insert "\$63,425,000"

Senator Ellis moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 3. Senator Kelly objected.

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

SCS CSHB 256(FIN)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 3?

YEAS: 4 NAYS: 16 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze

and so, Amendment No. 3 failed.

Senators Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Wielechowski offered Amendment No. 4:

Page 42, line 16:

Delete "**140,364,000**"

Insert "**142,214,400**"

Delete "**138,530,600**"

Insert "**140,381,000**"

Page 42, lines 22 - 26:

Delete all material.

Page 42, line 27:

Delete "20,706,100"

Insert "22,556,500"

Page 53, line 7:

Delete "214,729,200"

Insert "220,729,200"

Page 53, line 13:

Delete "57,628,800"

Insert "51,628,800"

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Page 79, following line 3:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(I) The sum of \$6,000,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the community revenue sharing fund (AS 29.60.850)."

Page 82, line 12, following "**Sec. 32.**":

Insert "(a) The unexpended and unobligated balance, estimated to be \$18,852,256, of the appropriation made in sec. 1, ch. 16, SLA 2013, page 12, lines 20 - 25 (Anchorage, U-Med district northern access - \$20,000,000) is repealed.

(b)"

Senator Egan moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 4. Senator MacKinnon objected.

Senator Stevens moved to divide the question, then moved and asked unanimous consent to withdraw his motion. There being no objection, the motion was withdrawn.

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

SCS CSHB 256(FIN)
Second Reading
Amendment No. 4?

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

Yeas: Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Stedman, Stevens, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Giessel, Hoffman,
Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Stoltze

Absent: Olson

and so, Amendment No. 4 failed.

Recess

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess to 1:30 p.m. Without objection, the Senate recessed at 12:44 p.m.

After Recess

The Senate reconvened at 1:36 p.m.

Consideration of the Calendar (continued)

HB 256

Senators Wielechowski, Egan, Ellis, Gardner offered Amendment No. 5:

Page 1, line 2, following "**funds;**":
Insert "**lapsing appropriations;**"

Page 59, following line 10:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(c) It is the intent of the legislature that Legislative Council not expend money on the appeal of the Superior Court decision in Alaska Legislative Council v. Governor Bill Walker, et al., Superior Court Case No. 3AN-15-09208 CI (March 1, 2016)."

Reletter the following subsections accordingly.

Page 82, line 13, following "APPROPRIATIONS.":

Insert "(a)"

Page 82, following line 14:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(b) The unexpended balance, estimated to be \$150,000, of that portion of the appropriation made in sec. 1, ch. 23, SLA 2015, page 42, line 28, and allocated on page 42, line 31 (Alaska Legislature, Legislative Council, council and subcommittees - \$1,014,300) that was directed to the Medicaid expansion litigation, filed in Alaska Legislative Council v. Governor Bill Walker, et al., Superior Court Case No. 3AN-15-09208 CI and Alaska Legislative Council v. Governor Bill Walker, et al., Supreme Court No. S-16059, lapses into the general fund on June 30, 2016."

Page 82, line 25:

Delete "Sections 27(b), 27(d), 31, 34(a), and 34(c)"

Insert "Sections 27(b), 27(d), 31, 33(b), 34(a), and 34(c)"

Senator Wielechowski moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 5.

Senator Coghill moved that Amendment No. 5 be tabled.

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

Lay on the Table?

YEAS: 16 NAYS: 4 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze

Nays: Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Wielechowski

and so, Amendment No. 5 was tabled.

Senators Wielechowski, Egan, Ellis, Gardner offered Amendment No. 6:

Page 61, following line 23:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(c) After money is transferred to the dividend fund under (b) of this section, the amount calculated under AS 37.13.145(c) to offset the effect of inflation on the principal of the Alaska permanent fund during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, estimated to be \$896,000,000, is appropriated from the earnings reserve account (AS 37.13.145) to the principal of the Alaska permanent fund."

Reletter the following subsection accordingly.

Page 82, line 12:

Delete all material and insert:

"* **Sec. 32.** Section 11(a), ch. 23, SLA 2015, is repealed."

Senator Wielechowski moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 6.
Senator MacKinnon objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 6 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 256(FIN)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 6?

YEAS: 4 NAYS: 16 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze

and so, Amendment No. 6 failed.

Senator Wielechowski moved that Amendment No. 5 be taken from the table.

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

Take Amendment No. 5 from Table?

YEAS: 4 NAYS: 16 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze

and so, the motion failed.

Senators Gardner, Egan, Ellis, Wielechowski offered Amendment No. 7:

Page 5, line 12:

Delete "**830,500**" in both places

Insert "**1,030,500**" in both places

Page 5, line 13:

Delete "830,500"

Insert "1,030,500"

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Senator Gardner moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 7. Senator MacKinnon objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 7 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 256(FIN)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 7?

YEAS: 4 NAYS: 16 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze

and so, Amendment No. 7 failed.

Senators Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Wielechowski offered Amendment No. 8:

Page 44, lines 7 - 10:

Delete all material.

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Senator Egan moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 8. Senator MacKinnon objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 8 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 256(FIN)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 8?

YEAS: 4 NAYS: 16 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze

and so, Amendment No. 8 failed.

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 256(FIN) was automatically in third reading.

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

The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 256(FIN) "An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; amending appropriations; repealing appropriations; making supplemental appropriations; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 256(FIN)
Third Reading - Final Passage
Effective Dates

YEAS: 16 NAYS: 4 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze

Nays: Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Wielechowski

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 256(FIN) passed the Senate.

Senator Coghill 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 and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

HB 257

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 257(FIN) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 257(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" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 257(FIN)
Third Reading - Final Passage
Effective Date

YEAS: 20 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 257(FIN) passed the Senate.

Senator Coghill 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 and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

SCR 21

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent to take up SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21 which had been held on the Secretary's desk (page 2103). Without objection, the resolution was before the Senate on final passage.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21 Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No. 257, making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and making supplemental appropriations, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCR 21

Final Passage

YEAS: 20 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

and so, SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21 passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

Citations

Honoring - Surgical Services Flight 673D Medical Group

Representative(s) LeDoux

Senator(s) Wielechowski, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the citation be adopted. Without objection, the citation was adopted and referred to the Secretary for transmittal.

Unfinished Business

Senator Bishop moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from morning plane time, March 18 through evening plane time, March 20. Without objection, Senator Bishop was excused.

Senator Stedman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from morning plane time, March 25 through plane time, March 26. Without objection, Senator Stedman was excused.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Engrossment

HB 256

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 256(FIN) "An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; amending appropriations; repealing appropriations; making supplemental appropriations; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

HB 257

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 257(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 engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

SCR 21

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21 Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No. 257, making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and making supplemental appropriations, was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

Adjournment

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., March 16, 2016. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Liz Clark
Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference
 = indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Mar 15 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Mar 17 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

EDUCATION

Mar 15 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 += SB 191 LIMIT ABORTION SERV. PROVIDERS IN SCHOOLS
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:
 += SB 190 EXEMPTION FROM POST-SECONDARY ED REGS
 += HB 76 GOV COUNCIL ON DISABILITIES/SPECIAL ED

Mar 17 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

FINANCE

Mar 14 Monday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 += SB 56 MUNI ENERGY IMPROVEMNT ASSESSMNTS/BONDS
 + SB 1 REGULATION OF SMOKING
 -- Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

FINANCE (continued)

- Mar 15 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + SB 145 DAY CARE ASSISTANCE & CHILD CARE GRANTS
 -- Public Testimony --
 + SB 147 SENIOR BENEFITS PROG. ELIGIBILITY
 -- Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Mar 16 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + SB 69 BD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS; PRACTICE
 -- Public Testimony --
 + SB 124 EXTEND SUNSET ON AK COMMISSION ON AGING
 -- Public Testimony --
 + SB 196 POWER COST EQ FUND: RESERVE ACCT;DIVIDEND
 -- Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Mar 16 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 1:30 PM**
 + Alaska Enterprise Agency Analysis:
 Alaska Industrial Development and
 Export Authority
 Alaska Energy Authority
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Mar 17 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + SB 101 STATE PARKS FEES & SALES OF MERCHANDISE
 -- Public Testimony --
 + SB 170 DNR FEES FOR GEOLOGICAL SERVICES
 -- Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Mar 17 Thursday Senate Finance 532 1:30 PM**
 + Alaska Enterprise Agency Analysis:
 Alaska Housing Finance Corporation
 Alaska Aerospace Corporation
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Mar 18 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
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HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Mar 14	Monday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
Mar 16	Wednesday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
Mar 18	Friday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM

JUDICIARY

Mar 14	Monday -- MEETING CANCELED -- + Presentation by Alaska's Council on Domestic + Violence & Sexual Assault + Key Results from the 2015 Alaska Victimization Survey Presented by Dr. Andre Rosay + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
Mar 16	Wednesday += SB 112 ADOPTION OF CHILD IN STATE CUSTODY + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
Mar 18	Friday + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM

LABOR & COMMERCE

Mar 15	Tuesday + Presentation: "Economic Impacts of Alaska Fiscal Options - Draft Conclusions" by Professor Gunnar Knapp Institute of Social & Economic Research + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled: -- Public Testimony -- += SB 111 LIMIT FLAME RETARDANT ITEMS/FURNITURE	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
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LABOR & COMMERCE (continued)

Mar 17	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
+	Confirmation Hearings:		
	Alaska Labor Relations Agency		
	Board of Barbers & Hairdressers		
	Board of Chiropractic Examiners		
	Board of Dental Examiners		
	Board of Direct Entry Midwives		
	Board of Examiners in Optometry		
	Board of Marital and Family Therapy		
	Board of Massage Therapists		
	Board of Nursing		
	Board of Pharmacy		
	Board of Psychologists & Psychological Examiners		
	Board of Public Accountancy		
	Board of Registration Architects, Engineers & Land Surveyors		
	Board of Social Work Examiners		
	Board of Veterinary Examiners		
	Fisherman's Fund Advisory & Appeals Council		
	Occupational Safety & Health Review Board		
	Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy Board		
	Workers' Compensation Board		
	Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
	-- Public Testimony --		

RESOURCES

Mar 14	Monday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
	-- Delayed to 3:45 p.m. --		
+	Overview: Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission		
	Cathy Foerster, Commissioner		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+=	SB 163	NATL. RES. WATER NOMINATION/DESIGNATION	
		-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --	
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

RESOURCES (continued)

Mar 16 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 += SB 172 FISH/SHELLFISH HATCHERY/ENHANCE. PROJECTS
 -- Public Testimony --
 += SB 163 NATL. RES. WATER NOMINATION/DESIGNATION
 -- Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 18 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + Overview: Bureau of Land Management Resource
 Management Plans for Alaska
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

STATE AFFAIRS

Mar 15 Tuesday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
 + SCR 16 SPECIAL SESSION TO BE HELD ON ROAD SYSTEM
 -- Initial Presentation Only --
 += SB 114 PERM FUND: EARNINGS, DEPOSITS, ACCOUNTS
 += SB 128 PERM. FUND:DEPOSITS;DIVIDEND;EARNINGS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 17 Thursday Butrovich 205 8:30 AM
 += SJR 1 CONST AM: GUARANTEE PERM FUND DIVIDEND
 += SB 114 PERM FUND: EARNINGS, DEPOSITS, ACCOUNTS
 += SB 128 PERM. FUND:DEPOSITS;DIVIDEND;EARNINGS
 + SB 144 RELOCATION ASSISTANCE FOR FED. PROJ/PROG
 -- Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Mar 15 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:00 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION (continued)

Mar 17 Thursday Capitol 106 1:00 PM
 -- Location Change --
 + Joint with the House Transportation Committee
 + Integration of Driverless Cars in Alaska
 Ron Barnes, Google Inc. State Legislative Affairs
 + Industry Support Remarks
 Mike Sfraga, Vice Chancellor for Student
 Advancement, UAF
 Jim Dodson, CEO Fairbanks Economic Development
 Corporation

SPECIAL COMMITTEES**SPECIAL CMTE ON ENERGY**

Mar 15 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:00 PM
 + SB 192 AIDEA BONDS, LOANS, FUND; AEA LOAN
 -- Public Testimony --
 + SB 193 EXTEND EXEMPTION FOR SMALL POWER PLANTS
 -- Public Testimony --

JOINT COMMITTEES**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT**

Mar 18 Friday House Finance 519 7:30 AM
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 Audits - Executive Session:
 Statewide Single Audit FY15 - Preliminary
 Commercial Passenger Vessel Tax Special
 Audit - Preliminary
 Other Committee Business