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**Ninety-third Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Edgmon at 10:41 a.m.

Roll call showed 37 members present. Representatives Chenault and Knopp had been excused from a call of the House today.

Representative Stutes, Acting Majority Leader, moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Tuck be excused from a call of the House today. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Father Michael Galbraith of St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church. Representative Westlake moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Gracious and merciful God, we give you thanks for giving us another day. Send your spirit upon the members of this people's House to encourage them in their official tasks. Assure them that in the fulfillment of their responsibilities, you will provide the grace to enable them to be faithful in their duties, and the wisdom to be conscious of their obligations to fulfill them with integrity. Give to us and all people a vivid sense of your presence that we may learn to understand each other, to respect each other, to work with each other, and to live with each other; so shall we make this state of Alaska great in goodness and good in greatness.

May all that is done this day be for your greater honor and glory. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Foster.

### **CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL**

Representative Stutes moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 91st and 92nd legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

### **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

#### **HB 77**

A message dated April 17 was read stating the Governor signed the following bill and is transmitting the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's office for permanent filing:

HOUSE BILL NO. 77 am

"An Act making corrective amendments to the Alaska Statutes as recommended by the revisor of statutes; and providing for an effective date."

Chapter No. 3, SLA 2017

Effective Date: See Chapter

### **MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE**

#### **HB 141**

A message dated April 17 was read stating the Senate passed HB 141 with the following amendment, and it is transmitted for consideration:

SENATE CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 141(FIN)

"An Act relating to allocations of funding for the Alaska Workforce Investment Board; and providing for an effective date."

HB 141 is under Unfinished Business.

A message dated April 17 was read stating the Senate passed the following, and it is transmitted for consideration:

**FIRST READING AND REFERENCE  
OF SENATE BILLS****SB 80**

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 80(L&C) by the Senate Labor and Commerce Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to telecommunications services for certain disabled subscribers; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor & Commerce Committee.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES****HCR 3**

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3  
Proclaiming April 2017 as Child Abuse Prevention Month; and proclaiming April 7, 2017, as Go Blue Friday.

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3(FIN)  
Proclaiming April 2017 and April 2018 as Child Abuse Prevention Month; and proclaiming April 7, 2017, and April 6, 2018, as Go Blue Friday.

The report was signed by Representative Foster, Co-chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (10): Gara, Wilson, Kawasaki, Tilton, Pruitt, Ortiz, Thompson, Guttenberg, Grenn, Foster

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHCR 3(FIN):

1. Zero, House Health & Social Services Committee

HCR 3 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**HB 1**

The Judiciary Committee considered:

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1

"An Act relating to absentee voting, voting, and voter registration; relating to early voting locations at which persons may vote absentee ballots; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

## CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 1(JUD)

"An Act relating to absentee voting, voting, early voting, special needs voting, and voter registration; relating to poll watchers; relating to absentee ballots, questioned ballots, and questioned ballot procedures; relating to which primary election ballot a voter may use; relating to early voting locations at which persons may vote absentee ballots; relating to qualifications to vote at a municipal election; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representative Claman, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Kreiss-Tomkins, Fansler, LeDoux, Claman

Amend (1): Eastman

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 1(JUD):

2. Zero, Office of the Governor

HB 1 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**HB 33**

The Community & Regional Affairs Committee considered:

## HOUSE BILL NO. 33

"An Act establishing May 31 of each year as Katie John Day."

The report was signed by Representatives Fansler and Parish, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (6): Talerico, Westlake, Rauscher, Drummond, Fansler, Parish

No recommendation (1): Saddler

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Administration

HB 33 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**HB 69**

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 69

"An Act repealing the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; relating to decisions and orders of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; relating to superior court jurisdiction over appeals from Alaska Workers' Compensation Board decisions; repealing Rules 201.1, 401.1, and 501.1, Alaska Rules of Appellate Procedure, and amending Rules 202(a), 204(a) - (c), 210(e), 601(b), and 603(a), Alaska Rules of Appellate Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 69(JUD)

"An Act repealing the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; relating to decisions and orders of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; relating to superior court jurisdiction over appeals from Alaska Workers' Compensation Board decisions; repealing Rules 201.1, 401.1, and 501.1, Alaska Rules of Appellate Procedure, and amending Rules 202(a), 204(a) - (c), 210(e), 601(b), 602(c) and (h), and 603(a), Alaska Rules of Appellate Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Seaton and Foster, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (6): Wilson, Guttenberg, Gara, Thompson, Seaton, Foster

No recommendation (3): Kawasaki, Pruitt, Tilton

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 69(JUD):

2. Zero, Judiciary
3. Fiscal, Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development

HB 69 was returned to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**HB 176**

The Health & Social Services Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 176

"An Act relating to medical assistance reimbursement for ground emergency medical transportation services; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 176(HSS)

"An Act relating to medical assistance reimbursement for emergency medical transportation services; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representative Spohnholz, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (2): Edgmon, Spohnholz

No recommendation (2): Sullivan-Leonard, Kito

Amend (1): Eastman

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 176(HSS):

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Health & Social Services
2. Fiscal, Dept. of Health & Social Services

HB 176 was referred to the Finance Committee.

**HB 195**

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

## HOUSE BILL NO. 195

"An Act relating to insurer actions based on credit history and insurance scores at insurance policy renewal; and providing for insurer consideration of consumer requests for exceptions of credit history or insurance scores."

The report was signed by Representative Kito, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (2): Birch, Kito

Do not pass (2): Sullivan-Leonard, Wool

No recommendation (2): Stutes, Josephson

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

HB 195 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**HB 200**

The Judiciary Committee considered:

## HOUSE BILL NO. 200

"An Act establishing a top two nonpartisan open primary election system for elective state executive and state and national legislative offices; repealing the special runoff election for the office of United States senator or United States representative; changing appointment procedures relating to precinct watchers and members of precinct election boards, election district absentee and questioned ballot counting boards, and the Alaska Public Offices Commission; requiring certain written notices to appear in election pamphlets and polling places; relating to declarations of candidacy and letters of intent; and amending the definition of 'political party.'"

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 200(JUD)

"An Act establishing a top two nonpartisan open primary election system for elective state executive and state and national legislative offices; repealing the special runoff election for the office of United States senator or United States representative; changing appointment procedures relating to precinct watchers and members of precinct election boards, election district absentee and questioned ballot counting boards, and the Alaska Public Offices Commission; requiring certain written notices to appear in election pamphlets and polling places; relating to declarations of candidacy and letters of intent; amending the definition of 'political party'; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representative Claman, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (1): LeDoux

Do not pass (2): Eastman, Kopp

No recommendation (2): Kreiss-Tomkins, Claman

Amend (1): Fansler

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 200(JUD):

1. Zero, Office of the Governor

HB 200 was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

**HB 201**

The Resources Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 201

"An Act relating to municipal regulation of trapping; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:



CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 201(CRA)  
(same title)

The report was signed by Representatives Tarr and Josephson, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (5): Drummond, Westlake, Parish, Tarr, Josephson

Do not pass (3): Rauscher, Talerico, Birch

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 201(CRA):

1. Zero, Dept. of Fish & Game

HB 201 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**SB 51**

The Finance Committee considered:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 51(FIN)  
"An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Veterinary Examiners; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representative Foster, Co-chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (10): Tilton, Grenn, Guttenberg, Thompson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Kawasaki, Wilson, Gara, Foster

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

CSSB 51(FIN) was referred to the Rules Committee.

**SB 88**

The Finance Committee considered:

**CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 88(RES)**

"An Act authorizing a land exchange with the federal government in which certain Alaska mental health trust land is exchanged for certain national forest land and relating to the costs of the exchange; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Seaton and Foster, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (8): Tilton, Grenn, Thompson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Wilson, Seaton, Foster

No recommendation (2): Guttenberg, Gara

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Natural Resources

CSSB 88(RES) was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**SB 100**

The Judiciary Committee considered:

**SENATE BILL NO. 100**

"An Act relating to municipal liens."

The report was signed by Representative Claman, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Kreiss-Tomkins, Fansler, LeDoux, Claman

Amend (2): Eastman, Millett

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

SB 100 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES****HB 107**

The House Special Committee on Fisheries considered:

## HOUSE BILL NO. 107

"An Act relating to certain fish; and establishing a fisheries enhancement permit."

and recommends it be replaced with:

## CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 107(FSH)

"An Act relating to certain fish; and establishing a fisheries rehabilitation permit."

The report was signed by Representative Stutes, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (2): Eastman, Fansler

No recommendation (3): Neuman, Kreiss-Tomkins, Stutes

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 107(FSH):

1. Zero, Dept. of Fish & Game

HB 107 was referred to the Resources Committee.

**INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS**

The following citations were introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

Honoring - William Falsey  
By Representatives Grenn, Gara

Honoring - Jocelyn Pemberton  
By Representative Grenn

Honoring - Natalie Hanson  
By Representative Fansler

Honoring - East High School Music Department  
By Representative Pruitt; Senator Giessel

Honoring - ACS Girls Basketball Team 2017 3A State Champions  
By Representative Pruitt; Senator Giessel

Honoring - Jeff Jabusch  
By Senator Stedman; Representative Ortiz

Honoring - Carla Hadley McConnell  
By Senator Wielechowski; Representative LeDoux

In Memoriam - Marge Byrd  
By Representative Ortiz

In Memoriam - Verna Pratt  
By Representative Pruitt; Senator Giessel

In Memoriam - Richard E. Wight  
By Representative Grenn; Senator Costello

In Memoriam - Lloyd Franklin "Pat" O'Connor  
By Representative Edgmon; Senator Hoffman

#### **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS**

##### **HB 237**

HOUSE BILL NO. 237 by Representative Neuman, entitled:

"An Act relating to escapement thresholds and escapement goals  
for certain salmon stocks."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on  
Fisheries and the Resources Committee.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR****SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS****HB 127**

The following was read the second time:

**HOUSE BILL NO. 127**

"An Act relating to a permanent fund dividend for an individual whose conviction has been vacated, reversed, or dismissed; and relating to the calculation of the value of the permanent fund dividend by including payment to individuals eligible for a permanent fund dividend because of a conviction that has been vacated, reversed, or dismissed."

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STA RPT 5DP 2NR	426
FN1: ZERO(REV)	426
FIN RPT CS(FIN) 7DP 2NR 2AM	1096
FN1: ZERO(REV)	1097

Representative Stutes moved and asked unanimous consent that the following committee substitute be adopted in lieu of the original bill:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 127(FIN)  
(same title)

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Stutes moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 127(FIN) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage.

There was objection.

CSHB 127(FIN) will advance to third reading on the April 24 calendar.

**THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS****HB 211**

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the following, which was advanced to third reading from the April 17 calendar (page 1152), would be held to the April 24 calendar:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 211(RES)

"An Act requiring a nonresident to be accompanied by a guide or resident spouse or relative when hunting certain caribou; and providing for an effective date."

**LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS**

Representative Stutes moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citation on the calendar. There being no objection, the following citation was approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring - Anchorage Community YMCA 50th Anniversary

By Representatives Josephson, Edgmon, Birch, Chenault, Claman, Drummond, Eastman, Fansler, Foster, Gara, Grenn, Guttenberg, Johnson, Johnston, Kawasaki, Kito, Kopp, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Millett, Neuman, Ortiz, Parish, Pruitt, Rauscher, Reinbold, Saddler, Seaton, Spohnholz, Stutes, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tuck, Westlake, Wilson, Wool

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Representative Stutes moved and asked unanimous consent that the following members be excused from a call of the House. There being no objection, the members were excused as noted:

Representative Drummond – from 7:00 p.m., today to 11:00 p.m., April 20

Representative Fansler – from 1:00 p.m., today to 8:00 a.m., April 24

Representative Johnson – from 6:30 a.m., April 20 to 10:00 p.m., April 23

Representative Parish – from 5:00 p.m., today to 11:00 p.m., April 20

Representative Spohnholz – from 1:00 p.m., today to 10:00 p.m., April 23

Representative Sullivan-Leonard – from 6:00 a.m., April 20 to 10:00 p.m., April 23

Representative Thompson – from 6:00 p.m., April 20 to 10:00 a.m., April 24

Representative Edgmon – 6:00 a.m., April 20 to 10:30 p.m., April 23

Representative Johnston – from noon, today to 10:00 a.m., April 24  
(amended from page 1070)

Representative Kopp – from 7:00 p.m., today to 10:00 a.m., April 24  
(amended from page 1087)

Representative Knopp – from 10:00 p.m., today to 9:40 p.m., April 23  
(amended from page 1147)

**HB 25**

Representative Fansler added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 25

"An Act relating to insurance coverage for contraceptives and related services; relating to medical assistance coverage for contraceptives and related services; and providing for an effective date."

**HB 33**

Representative Drummond added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 33

"An Act establishing May 31 of each year as Katie John Day."

**HB 124**

Representative Grenn added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 124

"An Act relating to corporations, including benefit corporations, and other entities; and providing for an effective date."

**HB 127**

Representatives Grenn and Tarr added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 127

"An Act relating to a permanent fund dividend for an individual whose conviction has been vacated, reversed, or dismissed; and relating to the calculation of the value of the permanent fund dividend by including payment to individuals eligible for a permanent fund dividend because of a conviction that has been vacated, reversed, or dismissed."

**HB 184**

Representative Drummond added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 184

"An Act adding to the powers and duties of the State Commission for Human Rights; and relating to and prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression."

**HB 214**

Representative Eastman added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 214

"An Act renaming a portion of the Alaska Safe Children's Act as Bree's Law; relating to Bree's Law programs and Bree's Law activities; relating to dating violence and abuse policy, training, awareness, prevention, and notices; and providing for an effective date."

**HB 236**

Representative Ortiz added as a cosponsor to:



## HOUSE BILL NO. 236

"An Act extending the Alaska senior benefits payment program."

**SB 51**

Representative Eastman added as a cross sponsor to:

## CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 51(FIN)

"An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Veterinary Examiners; and providing for an effective date."

**SB 88**

Representatives Grenn, Thompson, Kawasaki, and Pruitt added as cross sponsors to:

## CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 88(RES)

"An Act authorizing a land exchange with the federal government in which certain Alaska mental health trust land is exchanged for certain national forest land and relating to the costs of the exchange; and providing for an effective date."

**SENSE OF THE HOUSE**

Representative Rauscher removed his name from the Sense of the House (page 1047).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Stutes moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., April 21 for a technical session. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:31 a.m.

Crystaline Jones  
Chief Clerk