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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

## TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE -- FIRST SESSION

Juneau, Alaska

**Tuesday** 

**January 21, 2003** 

# First Day

Pursuant to provisions of the Constitution of the State of Alaska, the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, and AS 24.05.160, the Senate of the State of Alaska assembled in the Senate chamber for the first regular session of the Twenty-third Legislature. The Senate was called to order at 11:03 a.m. by the Honorable Loren Leman, Lieutenant Governor.

## **Colors**

Kristin Hamerski, 2001 Miss Alaska Junior National Teenager, performed the National Anthem.

The following members of the Tongass Alaska Girl Scout Council presented the colors: Kayla Bishop, Karla Boyd, Amanda Empson, Amanda Hoffman, Heather Hoffman, Dana Honse, Bobbie Jo Koerperich, Jackie Koerperich, Ariel Lyon, Rebekah Peterson, Monica Rivera, Adrienne Sypeck, Amanda Turley, Emilie Valentine, and Sommer Ward.

The Tongass Alaska Girl Scout Council members led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kristin Hamerski performed The Alaska Flag Song.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Tim Frega of the Auke Bay Bible Church. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered. Dear Heavenly Father,

We thank You that You are a God of Wisdom. We thank You that You give direction through Your Holy Word. We are in awe of Your ability to open the eyes and guide, direct and change our lives.

As these men and women prepare to make decisions that will affect lives in our state and our nation, I ask that You give them an open heart for Your guidance. May their decisions be honoring to Jesus Christ, may their decisions be based on the ultimate authority of Your Word. May they not find wisdom in their own devices but may they look for direction from Your Word and from Your Spirit.

And above all, may Jesus Christ get the glory for what will happen here this year.

In Christ's name,

Amen.

## **Election Certification**

The Lieutenant Governor read the certificate of election:

I, Laura A. Glaiser, Director of the Division of Elections for the State of Alaska, do hereby certify that the following are the certified results in the General Election held on the 5th day of November, 2002, in the State of Alaska, as shown by the official certification of the State Review Board as provided by AS 15.15.450.

District B	Kim S. Elton (D) - 4 year term
District C	Georgianna "Georg" Lincoln (D) -2 year
	term
District D	Ralph C. Seekins (R) - 4 year term
District E	Gary R. Wilken (R) - 2 year term
District F	Gene P. Therriault (R) - 4 year term
District G	Lyda N. Green (R) - 2 year term
District H	Scott Ogan (R) - 4 year term
District I	Fred J. Dyson (R) - 2 year term

District J	Gretchen G. Guess (D) - 4 year term
District L	Johnny Ellis (D) - 4 year term
District M	Hollis S. French II (D) - 2 year term
District N	Ben Stevens (R) - 4 year term
District O	John J. Cowdery (R) - 2 year term
District P	Con Bunde (R) - 4 year term
District Q	Thomas H. "Tom" Wagoner (Rep Mod) - 2
	year term
District R	Alan Austerman (R) - 4 year term
District S	Lyman F. Hoffman (D) - 4 year term

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed hereto the Seal of the State of Alaska, at Juneau, the Capital, this 23rd day of December, A.D., 2002.

s/

Laura A. Glaiser, Director Division of Elections

Lieutenant Governor Leman requested the following Senators approach the rostrum to be administered the Oath of Office:

District B	Senator Kim S. Elton
District C	Senator Georgianna "Georg" Lincoln
District D	Senator Ralph C. Seekins
District E	Senator Gary R. Wilken

The Lieutenant Governor administered the Oath of Office to the Senators.

Lieutenant Governor Leman requested the following Senators approach the rostrum to be administered the Oath of Office:

District F	Senator Gene P. Therriault
District G	Senator Lyda N. Green
District H	Senator Scott Ogan
District I	Senator Fred J. Dyson

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District J	Senator Gretchen G. Guess
District L	Senator Johnny Ellis
District M	Senator Hollis S. French II
District N	Senator Ben Stevens
District O	Senator John J. Cowdery

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District R	Senator Alan Austerman
District S	Senator Lyman F. Hoffman

The Lieutenant Governor administered the Oath of Office to the Senators.

# **President Pro Tempore**

Lieutenant Governor Leman announced that nominations were in order for President pro tempore of the Senate.

Senator Therriault moved and asked unanimous consent that Senator Stevens be nominated. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Therriault moved and asked unanimous consent that Senator Stevens be elected President pro tempore. There being no objection, Senator Stevens was elected President pro tempore.

Lieutenant Governor Leman requested Senator Green and Senator Olson escort the President pro tempore to the rostrum.

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President pro tempore Stevens requested Senator Olson and Senator Green escort the Lieutenant Governor from the chamber.

President pro tempore Stevens announced that under provisions of law, AS 24.05.120, the Uniform Rules of the Twelfth Legislature, First Session, as amended in 1985, 1988, 1989, 1991, 1998, and 2001 will serve as the temporary rules of the current legislature until permanent rules are adopted.

## President

President pro tempore Stevens announced that nominations for permanent President of the Senate were open.

Senator Wilken moved that Senator Therriault be nominated President of the Senate for the Twenty-third Legislature.

Senator Wilken moved and asked unanimous consent that nominations be closed. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Wilken moved and asked unanimous consent that Senator Therriault be elected President of the Senate for the Twenty-third Legislature. Without objection, Senator Therriault was elected President of the Senate.

President pro tempore Stevens requested Senator Seekins and Senator Guess escort President Therriault to the podium.

President Therriault requested Senator Seekins and Senator Guess escort Senator Stevens from the podium.

Representative Joule and Representative Stevens called on the Senate to advise that the House of Representatives was organized and ready to do business.

President Therriault appointed:

# **Committee on Committees**

Senator Therriault, Chair Senator Stevens Senator Wilken Senator Ellis Senator Davis

President Therriault appointed Senator Bunde and Senator Hoffman to inform the Governor that the Senate was organized and ready to do business.

President Therriault appointed Senator Dyson and Senator Lincoln to inform the House that the Senate was organized and ready to do business.

## Recess

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess to a Call of the Chair for a Committee on Committees meeting. Without objection, the Senate recessed at 11:33 a.m.

# **After Recess**

The Senate reconvened at 12:33 p.m.

# **Committee on Committees Report**

Mr. President:

Your Committee on Committees has met and submits to the Senate for its consideration chairs and members to the nine standing committees as approved by the Committee on Committees:

# **Community and Regional Affairs Committee**

Senator Wagoner, Chair

Senator Austerman

Senator Taylor

Senator Lincoln

Senator Elton

# **Finance Committee**

Senator Green, Cochair

Senator Wilken, Cochair

Senator Austerman

Senator Bunde

Senator Stevens

Senator Hoffman

Senator Olson

# Health, Education and Social Services Committee

Senator Dyson, Chair

Senator Green

Senator Wilken

Senator Davis

Senator Guess

# **Judiciary Committee**

Senator Seekins, Chair

Senator Ogan

Senator Therriault

Senator Ellis

Senator French

# **Labor and Commerce Committee**

Senator Bunde, Chair

Senator Austerman

**Senator Seekins** 

Senator Davis

Senator French

# **Resources Committee**

Senator Ogan, Chair

Senator Wagoner, Vice Chair

Senator Dyson

Senator Seekins

Senator Stevens

Senator Elton

Senator Lincoln

# **Rules Committee**

Senator Cowdery, Chair

Senator Stevens

Senator Therriault

Senator Ellis

**Senator Guess** 

## **State Affairs Committee**

Senator Taylor, Chair

Senator Dyson

Senator Cowdery

Senator Guess

Senator Hoffman

# **Transportation Committee**

Senator Cowdery, Chair

Senator Wagoner

Senator Therriault

Senator Lincoln

Senator Olson

The report was signed by Senator Therriault, Chair, Senators Stevens, Wilken, Ellis, Davis.

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the Committee on Committees Report be adopted. Without objection, the Committee on Committees Report was adopted.

# **Messages from the Governor**

Message dated January 13 was read, stating:

Under the provision of article III, section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am requesting the opportunity to address a Joint Session of the Twenty-third Alaska State Legislature on Thursday, January 23, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. for presentation of a combined State of the State and State of the Budget Address.

Thank you for your cooperation in this effort. I look forward to working with you to make the upcoming session a success.

# **Executive Orders**

#### EO 104

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 104** 

Transferring the functions of the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity from the Office of the Governor to the Division of Personnel in the Department of Administration

was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

The following fiscal information was published today: Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Office of the Governor

Governor's transmittal letter dated January 21:

Dear President Therriault:

Under authority of art. III, sec. 23, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting an Executive Order transferring the functions of the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity from the Office of the Governor to the Division of Personnel in the Department of Administration.

The Office of Equal Employment Opportunity in the Office of the Governor currently administers the equal employment opportunity program for the executive branch of state government. This important responsibility needs to be closely coordinated with the personnel functions of the Division of Personnel in the Department of Administration. It is efficient administration to reassign the functions of the equal employment opportunity program to the Division of Personnel in the Department of Administration to facilitate that coordination. The director of personnel would administer these newly assigned functions.

This Order repeals AS 44.19.450 - 44.19.458, which currently establish the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity in the Office of the Governor, and adds the substance of the repealed provisions to AS 39, which contains statutes concerning public officers and employees.

The Order specifies an effective date of March 23, 2003.

Sincerely, /s/ Frank H. Murkowski Governor

#### EO 105

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO 105** 

Transferring the Alaska Seismic Hazards Safety Commission from the Office of the Governor to the Department of Natural Resources

was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

The following fiscal information was published today: Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Office of the Governor

Governor's transmittal letter dated January 21:

Dear President Therriault:

Under authority of art. III, sec. 23, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting an Executive Order transferring the Alaska Seismic Hazards Safety Commission from the Office of the Governor to the Department of Natural Resources.

The Order repeals AS 44.19.635 - 44.19.639, which currently establishes the commission in the Office of the Governor, and adds the substance of the repealed provisions to AS 44.37, the Department of Natural Resources' general program statutes.

This Order is necessary and appropriate to effectuate greater efficiency of administration of the Alaska Seismic Hazards Commission (commission) by taking advantage of existing knowledge and expertise of staff at the Department of Natural Resources.

The Order specifies an effective date of March 23, 2003.

Sincerely, /s/ Frank H. Murkowski Governor

# **Messages from the House**

Message dated January 21 was read, stating:

The House of Representatives respectfully invites the Senate to a Joint Session of the Twenty-third Alaska Legislature at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 23, 2003 for the purpose of hearing Governor Murkowski deliver his State of the State and Budget message.

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

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

# **Communications**

Message dated December 13, 2002 was received from Senator Rick Halford, President of the Senate, stating in accordance with the passage of HB 3001, the following individuals have been appointed to the Regulatory Commission of Alaska Task Force:

Jim Duncan George Gordon Marv Weatherly

# Introduction and Reference of Senate Resolutions

## **SR 1**

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE,

Establishing a Senate Special Committee on World Trade and State/Federal Relations.

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

## SCR 1

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1 BY SENATORS WILKEN, Therriault, Seekins,

Relating to economic development generated by new road construction and to the design and construction of the Hot Springs Loop Road to connect Chena Hot Springs and Circle Hot Springs.

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

## SJR 1

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1 BY SENATOR THERRIAULT,

Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to limiting ballot propositions to the general election ballot.

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs, Judiciary and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

#### SJR 2

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2 BY SENATOR DYSON,

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to subsistence use of fish and wildlife.

was read the first time and referred to the Resources, Judiciary and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

#### SJR 3

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3 BY SENATOR DYSON,

Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to an appropriation limit and a spending limit.

was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

# SJR 4

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4 BY SENATORS WAGONER, Therriault, Seekins, Bunde, Wilken, Dyson, Davis,

Urging the United States Congress to pass legislation to open the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska, to oil and gas exploration, development, and production.

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

# SJR 5

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5 BY SENATORS WAGONER, Therriault, Dyson, Guess,

Urging the President of the United States and the Congress to act to ensure that federal agencies do not retain records relating to lawful purchase or ownership of firearms gathered through the Brady Handgun Bill instant check system.

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

# **Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills**

## SB 1

SENATE BILL NO. 1 BY SENATORS WILKEN, Davis, Wagoner, entitled:

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

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

#### SB 2

SENATE BILL NO. 2 BY SENATORS DYSON, Bunde, Davis, Guess, entitled:

"An Act relating to recovery of civil damages from the parents or legal guardian of a minor; and providing for an effective date." January 21, 2003 15

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Judiciary Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

# SB3

SENATE BILL NO. 3 BY SENATORS DAVIS, Ellis, Elton, entitled:

"An Act requiring an annual inflation adjustment of the base student allocation used in the formula for state funding of public education; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

#### **SB** 4

SENATE BILL NO. 4 BY SENATORS DAVIS, Ellis, Guess, entitled:

"An Act relating to forward funding of education programs; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

#### SR 5

SENATE BILL NO. 5 BY SENATORS DAVIS, Ellis, entitled:

"An Act relating to recommending or refusing psychotropic drugs or certain types of evaluations or treatments for children."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

#### SR 6

SENATE BILL NO. 6 BY SENATORS DAVIS, Guess, entitled:

"An Act relating to retirement contributions and benefits under the public employees' retirement system of certain state employees who are employed as child protection workers or who supervise child protection workers."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

## **SB 7**

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SENATE BILL NO. 7 BY SENATOR DAVIS, entitled:

"An Act relating to the legal age for attending school; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

#### SB 8

SENATE BILL NO. 8 BY SENATOR DAVIS, entitled:

"An Act relating to tampering with public records."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Judiciary Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

#### SB

SENATE BILL NO. 9 BY SENATORS GUESS, Ellis, entitled:

"An Act relating to the evaluation and cleanup of sites where certain controlled substances may have been manufactured or stored; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs and Judiciary Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

# **SB 10**

SENATE BILL NO. 10 BY SENATORS GUESS, Ellis, entitled:

"An Act relating to a minimum expenditure for the

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instruction component in a public school budget; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

## **SB 11**

SENATE BILL NO. 11 BY SENATORS GUESS, Ellis, Elton, entitled:

"An Act requiring an annual inflation adjustment of the base student allocation used in the formula for state funding of public education; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

# **SB 12**

SENATE BILL NO. 12 BY SENATORS GUESS, Davis, Elton, entitled:

"An Act relating to the Alaska teacher recruitment loan assumption program; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services, Labor and Commerce and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

## **SB 13**

SENATE BILL NO. 13 BY SENATORS ELTON AND COWDERY, Ellis, Dyson, Guess, entitled:

"An Act prohibiting discrimination in insurance rates based on credit rating or credit scoring; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce and

Judiciary Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

## **SB 14**

SENATE BILL NO. 14 BY SENATORS WAGONER, Wilken entitled:

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

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

# **SB 15**

SENATE BILL NO. 15 BY SENATOR WAGONER, entitled:

"An Act making an appropriation for design and construction of a senior housing project in Sterling; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs, Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

#### **SB 16**

SENATE BILL NO. 16 BY SENATOR WAGONER, entitled:

"An Act making an appropriation for a nonmotorized access route on the Kenai Peninsula; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Transportation, Community and Regional Affairs and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

## SB 17

SENATE BILL NO. 17 BY SENATORS DAVIS, ELLIS, ELTON, FRENCH, GUESS, HOFFMAN, LINCOLN, AND OLSON, entitled:

"An Act relating to an optional group of persons eligible for medical assistance who require treatment for breast or cervical cancer; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

# **SB 18**

SENATE BILL NO. 18 BY SENATOR AUSTERMAN, entitled:

"An Act relating to finfish farming; prohibiting finfish farming of salmon; and prohibiting finfish farming in the water of the state."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce and Resources Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

#### SB 19

SENATE BILL NO. 19 BY SENATORS GUESS, Ellis, Elton, entitled:

"An Act amending the definition of group health insurance, and allowing the Department of Administration to obtain a policy or policies of group health care insurance for employers that are small businesses, nonprofit organizations, special services organizations, or small associations for insurance purposes; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs, Labor and Commerce and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

# **SB 20**

SENATE BILL NO. 20 BY SENATORS THERRIAULT AND DYSON, entitled:

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

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

#### **SB 21**

SENATE BILL NO. 21 BY SENATOR GREEN, entitled:

"An Act relating to certain persons who buy and sell secondhand articles, to certain persons who lend money on secondhand articles, and to certain persons who seek or receive loans on secondhand articles."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

#### **SB 22**

SENATE BILL NO. 22 BY SENATOR GUESS, entitled:

"An Act limiting the factors that may be considered in making a crime victims' compensation award in cases of sexual assault or sexual abuse of a minor."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs and Judiciary Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

## **SB 23**

SENATE BILL NO. 23 BY SENATOR STEVENS, entitled:

"An Act relating to public rights-of-way and easements for surface transportation affecting the Anchorage Coastal Wildlife Refuge."

was read the first time and referred to the Transportation and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

## **SB 24**

SENATE BILL NO. 24 BY SENATORS LINCOLN, Davis, entitled:

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"An Act providing special absentee ballots for voters in remote areas."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs, Judiciary and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 10, 2003)

#### SB 25

SENATE BILL NO. 25 BY SENATORS WILKEN, Davis, entitled:

"An Act relating to the teachers' housing loan program in the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 17, 2003)

#### SB 26

SENATE BILL NO. 26 BY SENATORS ELTON AND TAYLOR, Wilken, Davis, entitled:

"An Act relating to state employees who are called to active duty as reserve or auxiliary members of the armed forces of the United States; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 17, 2003)

#### SR 27

SENATE BILL NO. 27 BY SENATORS ELLIS, Elton, entitled:

"An Act relating to pesticide use; relating to program receipts collected by the Department of Environmental Conservation for registrations and licenses relating to pesticides; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce, Resources and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 17, 2003)

# **SB 28**

SENATE BILL NO. 28 BY SENATORS ELLIS, Davis, Elton, entitled:

"An Act amending the definition of group health insurance, and allowing the Department of Administration to obtain a policy or policies of group health care insurance for employers that are small businesses, nonprofit organizations, special services organizations, or small associations for insurance purposes; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs, Labor and Commerce and Finance Committees. (Prefile released January 17, 2003)

#### **SB 29**

SENATE BILL NO. 29 BY SENATOR DYSON, entitled:

"An Act establishing a sunset date for each department of state government; relating to the review of the functions of state agencies, certain instrumentalities of the state, and other persons and offices."

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

# **SB 30**

SENATE BILL NO. 30 BY SENATOR DYSON, entitled:

"An Act relating to information and services available to pregnant women and other persons; and ensuring informed consent before an abortion may be performed, except in cases of medical emergency."

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

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## **SB 31**

SENATE BILL NO. 31 BY SENATORS COWDERY, Wilken, entitled:

"An Act relating to a railroad utility 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 read the first time and referred to the Transportation, Resources and Finance Committees.

## **SB 32**

SENATE BILL NO. 32 BY SENATORS COWDERY, Wilken, entitled:

"An Act relating to insurance for and work on certain motor vehicle repairs; and providing for an effective date."

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

#### **SB 33**

SENATE BILL NO. 33 BY SENATOR ELLIS, entitled:

"An Act relating to reporting of donations to and money or other donations spent, given, or paid by political parties."

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

## **SB 34**

SENATE BILL NO. 34 BY SENATORS ELLIS, Elton, entitled:

"An Act relating to electronic mail activities and making certain electronic mail activities unfair methods of competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices under the Act enumerating unfair trade practices and consumer protections."

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

# **SB 35**

SENATE BILL NO. 35 will not be introduced today because SB 35 is an assigned number for the Governor's Operating Budget.

#### **SB 36**

SENATE BILL NO. 36 will not be introduced today because SB 36 is an assigned number for the Governor's Mental Health Budget.

#### **SB 37**

SENATE BILL NO. 37 BY SENATORS ELLIS, Davis, entitled:

"An Act relating to adult day services facilities; relating to certain crimes occurring near an adult day services facility; relating to certain contracts for adult day services; relating to reports of harm regarding certain vulnerable adults; and providing for an effective date."

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

## **SB 38**

SENATE BILL NO. 38 BY SENATOR THERRIAULT, entitled:

"An Act relating to construction, plumbing, mechanical, electrical, fire safety, and other safety codes adopted by state agencies and municipalities; and providing for an effective date."

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

## **Unfinished Business**

President Therriault stated that Senator Stevens would serve as majority leader.

President Therriault announced that the minority has selected Senator Ellis to serve as minority leader.

President Therriault appointed Senator Stevens and Senator Elton to serve as members of the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics. President Therriault appointed Senator Green to serve as an alternate member of the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics.

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that Senators Elton and Stevens be confirmed as members of the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics and that Senator Green be confirmed as an alternate member of the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics. Without objection, it was so ordered.

President Therriault made the following appointments:

# **Legislative Council**

Senator Taylor, Chair

Senator Dyson

Senator Therriault

Senator Austerman

Senator Cowdery

Senator Ogan

Senator Lincoln

# Legislative Budget and Audit Committee

Senator Therriault, Vice Chair

Senator Stevens

Senator Bunde

Senator Wilken

Senator Hoffman

Senator Green (alternate)

# **Administrative Regulation Review**

Senator Therriault, Chair Senator Green Senator French

# Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

# Adjournment

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., January 22, 2003. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 12:56 p.m.

Kirsten Waid Acting Secretary of the Senate

January 2003

#### **Announcements**

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# **JOINT COMMITTEES**

# SALMON INDUSTRY TASK FORCE

**Jan 23** Thursday House Finance 519 9:00 AM 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

# **OTHER MEETINGS**

# **COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES**

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 Tuesday
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 11:30 AM

# **JOINT SESSION**

Jan 23 Thursday House Chamber 7:00 PM
Combined State of the State and
State of the Budget Message
Honorable Frank Murkowski, Governor