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January 27, 2003

Seventh Day

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

The roll showed eighteen members present. Senator Ogan was excused from a call of the Senate. Senator Taylor was absent.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Larry Rorem of the Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

In deepest respect for the religious beliefs of each person here, I invite you into a time of prayer and reflection. Let us pray:

Dear generous, all giving God, In the differences that exist within this diverse group, we ask that the common ground of a generous heart be found in all the deliberations that are forthcoming during this 2003 session.

May generosity and understanding be our response to the racial, cultural, socio-economic and religious diversity that represents our Alaska family.

May this session be a blessing to all. May dialogue, respect, humor and good relationships between individuals, branches of government, and the people of our state be cultivated and celebrated through the dedicated efforts of all who are gathered in this room.

In Your Holy Name we pray.

Amen.

Senator Davis led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the fourth through sixth legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the House

Message dated January 24 was read, stating:

The House has confirmed Representatives Rokeberg and Kapsner as House members and Representatives Heinze and Kerttula as alternate House members to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics.

Communications

The following Budget and Audit Reports were received from Pat Davidson, Legislative Auditor, in accordance with AS 24.20.311 and are on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate:

Unabridged 2002 Annual Report

Condensed 2002 Annual Report

Office of the Governor, Office of Management and Budget, 1996 Retirement Incentive Program for Department of Administration, Information Technology Group and University of Alaska, January 15, 2001

Department of Natural Resources - Division of Agriculture, Selected Issues, November 29, 2002

Department of Community and Economic Development - Regulatory Commission of Alaska Sunset Review, November 26, 2002

Consideration of the Calendar

Citations

Honoring – Jean Burand Representative(s) Foster Senator(s) Austerman, Cowdery, Davis, Elton, Green, Lincoln, Taylor, Wilken, Hoffman, Therriault, Seekins, Stevens

In Memoriam – Mrs. Iola K. Banks Senator(s) Davis, Cowdery, Elton, Green, Lincoln, Taylor, Wilken, Austerman, Ellis, Hoffman, Therriault, Wagoner, Seekins, Stevens

In Memoriam – Roscoe Wyche, Jr. Senator(s) Davis, Cowdery, Elton, Green, Lincoln, Taylor, Wilken, Austerman, Ellis, Hoffman, Therriault, Seekins, Stevens, Dyson

In Memoriam – Sven Haakanson, Sr. Representative(s) Stevens Senator(s) Austerman, Cowdery, Davis, Elton, Green, Lincoln, Taylor, Wilken, Hoffman, Therriault, Seekins, Stevens

In Memoriam – Margaret "Peggy" Sutliff Representative(s) Stevens Senator(s) Austerman, Cowdery, Davis, Elton, Green, Lincoln, Taylor, Wilken, Hoffman, Therriault, Seekins, Stevens

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the citations be adopted. Without objection, the citations were adopted and referred to the Secretary for transmittal.

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the notice and publication requirements be waived, and the citations Honoring Junior Achievement of Alaska, Inc., 30th Anniversary, and Honoring Junior Achievement Hall of Fame 2003 Laureates, be made a special order of business. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Special Order of Business

Citations

Honoring - Junior Achievement of Alaska, Inc., 30th Anniversary Senator(s) Ellis, Austerman, Cowdery, Davis, Elton, Green, Lincoln, Taylor, Therriault, Wilken, Hoffman, Stevens

Honoring – Junior Achievement Hall of Fame 2003 Laureates Representative(s) Crawford Senator(s) Austerman, Cowdery, Davis, Elton, Green, Lincoln, Taylor, Therriault, Wilken, Hoffman, Stevens

Senator Stevens 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

SJR 4

Senators Olson, Stevens, Hoffman, Cowdery, Green moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4 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. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1 Establishing a Senate Special Committee on World Trade and State/Federal Relations, be taken up as a Special Order of Business. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Special Order of Business

Second Reading of Senate Resolutions

SR 1

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1 was read the second time and was before the Senate on final passage.

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The question being: "Shall SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1 Establishing a Senate Special Committee on World Trade and State/Federal Relations, pass the Senate?"

SR 1

Second Reading - Final Passage

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

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

Excused: Ogan Absent: Taylor

and so, SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1 passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment and enrollment.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Without objection, the Senate returned to:

Unfinished Business

Senator Bunde moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from noon, January 31, through plane time, February 3. Without objection, Senator Bunde was excused.

Adjournment

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., June 29, 2003. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Kirsten Waid Secretary of the Senate

June 2003

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

- + indicates teleconference
- = indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Jan 27	Monday No Meeting Schedule	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM		
Jan 29	Wednesday No Meeting Schedule		1:30 PM		
Jan 31	Friday No Meeting Schedule	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM		
FINANCE					
Jan 27	Monday No Meeting Schedule	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM		
Jan 28	Tuesday Confirmation Hearing Commissioner, Dept		9:00 AM		
Jan 29	Wednesday No Meeting Schedule		9:00 AM		
Jan 30	Thursday No Meeting Schedule	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM		
Jan 31	Friday No Meeting Schedule	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM		

HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES

Jan 27	Monday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM			
Jan 29	Wednesday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM			
JUDICIARY						
Jan 27	Monday Organizational Meeting	Beltz 211	1:30 PM			
Jan 29	Wednesday No Meeting Scheduled	Beltz 211	1:30 PM			
Jan 31 +	Friday Time and Location Cha Joint w/(H) Judiciary Confirmation Hearings: Select Committee on Leg Dennis "Skip" Cook Shirley McCoy Herman G. Walker, Jr.		1:00 PM			

LABOR & COMMERCE

Jan 28	Tuesday Overview: Dept of Labor	Beltz 211	1:30 PM
Jan 30	Thursday Confirmation Hearing: Greg O'Claray Commissioner, Dept of Labor	Beltz 211	1:30 PM

RESOURCES

Jan 27	Monday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM			
Jan 29	Wednesday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM			
Jan 31	Friday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM			
STATE AFFAIRS						
Jan 28	Tuesday No Meeting Scheduled	Beltz 211	3:30 PM			

TRANSPORTATION

Beltz 211

3:30 PM

Jan 30

Thursday

No Meeting Scheduled

Feb 11TuesdayButrovich 2051:30 PMSB 31RAILROAD UTILITY CORRIDOR TO & IN CANADA

JOINT COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Jan 28 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 12:00 PM