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Fourteenth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Therriault at 11:04 a.m.

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

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Father Rob Bruschi of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Let us for a moment remember the seven who gave their lives for our nation. Let us pray.

Deliver Your servants O Sovereign Lord from all evil, and set them free from every bond; that they may rest with all Your saints in the eternal habitations; with the one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Into Your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend Your servants. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech You, sheep of Your own fold, lambs of Your own flock, sinners of Your own redeeming. Receive them into the arms of Your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

Amen.

Almighty God, look with pity upon the sorrows of Your servants for whom we pray. Remember them, Lord, in Your mercy; nourish them with patience; comfort them with a sense of Your goodness; lift up Your countenance upon them; and give them peace; through our Lord.

Amen.

Senator Elton led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the eleventh through thirteenth legislative days and House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 2 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that Senator Green be excused from a call of the Senate until evening plane time, February 3. Senator Ellis objected. Senator Stevens moved to withdraw the motion. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the House

Message dated January 31 was read, stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Resolutions

HCR 4

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4(title am) BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE,

Authorizing a recess by the Senate and the House of Representatives for a period of more than three days, those days being April 18, 19, 20, and 21 of 2003.

was read the first time.

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4 (title am) be taken up as a Special Order of Business. Senator Ellis objected, then withdrew his objection.

Special Order of Business

HCR 4

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4(title am) was before the Senate on final passage.

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The question being: "Shall HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4(title am) Authorizing a recess by the Senate and the House of Representatives for a period of more than three days, those days being April 18, 19, 20, and 21 of 2003, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCR 4(title am) Final Passage

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

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

Excused: French Absent: Green

and so, HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4(title am) passed the Senate, was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

Communications

The following reports are on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate:

Joint Legislative Salmon Industry Task Force Report to the Twentythird Alaska State Legislature

from Senator Ben Stevens, Chair; Representative Gary Stevens, Vice-Chair

in accordance with Legislative Resolve No. 53 (22nd Legislature)

Alaska Legislature 2002 Salary and Business Expense Report from the Legislative Affairs Agency in accordance with AS 24.10.120(b)

Regulatory Commission of Alaska 2002 Annual Report from G. Nanette Thompson, Chair, Regulatory Commission of Alaska in accordance with AS 42.05.211 and AS 42.06.220

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State of Alaska 2002 Compensation and Travel Report of Executive Positions

from Sharon Barton, Acting Commissioner, Department of Administration

in accordance with AS 37.05.210

Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority Annual Review of Assets

from James A. McMillan, Acting Executive Director in accordance with AS 44.88.205

in accordance with AS 44.81.270 and AS 44.81.279(c)

Report of Examination of the Alaska Commercial Fishing and Agriculture Bank from Terry L. Lutz, Acting Director

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills

SB 55

SENATE BILL NO. 55 BY SENATOR DYSON, 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.

SB 56

SENATE BILL NO. 56 BY SENATOR DYSON, entitled:

"An Act relating to sport fishing license fees and anadromous king salmon tag fees for residents of Yukon, Canada."

was read the first time and referred to the Resources and Finance Committees.

Unfinished Business

President Therriault appointed the following members to the Special Committee on World Trade and State/Federal Relations:

Senator Cowdery, Chair Senator Taylor Senator Therriault Senator Seekins Senator Olson Senator Guess

Senator Lincoln moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on February 7. Without objection, Senator Lincoln was excused.

Senator Olson moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on February 5 and February 7. Without objection, Senator Olson was excused.

Citations

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the following citation be made a special order of business. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Special Order of Business

Honoring – John Hill, UAF/ASB Business Leader of the Year Award Senator(s) Seekins, Austerman, Cowdery, Davis, Elton, Green, Lincoln, Taylor, Therriault, Wilken, Hoffman

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

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

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Adjournment

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., June 5, 2003. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:35 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

Feb 03	Monday No Meeting Scheduled	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM
Feb 05 +	Wednesday Confirmation Hearing: Commissioner, Dept of Economic Development Edgar Blatchford		1:30 PM
Feb 07	Friday No Meeting Scheduled	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM
	FINA	ANCE	
Feb 03	Monday No Meeting Scheduled	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
Feb 04	Tuesday No Meeting Scheduled	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
Feb 05	Wednesday No Meeting Scheduled	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
Feb 06	Thursday No Meeting Scheduled	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM

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FINANCE (continued)

Feb 07	Friday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES

Feb 03	Monday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
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No Meeting Scheduled

Feb 05 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

No Meeting Scheduled

Feb 19 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

Joint w/(H) Health, Education and Social Services and (H) Special Committee on

Education

Alaska School District Cost Study

Jay Chambers,

American Institute for Research

JUDICIARY

Feb 03	Monday	Beltz 211	1:30 PM

No Meeting Scheduled

Feb 05 Wednesday Beltz 211 1:30 PM

AK Court System Overview: C.S. "Chris" Christensen III, Deputy Administrative Director

Doug Wooliver, Administrative Attorney

Feb 07 Friday Beltz 211 1:30 PM

No Meeting Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

Feb 04 Tuesday Beltz 211 1:30 PM

No Meeting Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE (continued)

Feb 06	Thursday	Beltz 211	1:30 PM	
SB 20	EXTEND BOARD O	OF MARINE PILOTS		
Feb 26	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	3:15 PM	
	Time and Location	Change		
	Joint w/(H) Labor and Commerce			
	Confirmation Hearings:			
	Regulatory Commission of Alaska-			
	Dave Harbour			
	Mark Johnson			

RESOURCES

Feb 03	Monday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
	Organizational Meeting		
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Feb 05	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
	Confirmation Hearings:		
	Commissioner, Dept of Environmental		
	Conservation- Ernesta Ballard		
	Commissioner, Dept of Natural Resources-		
	Tom Irwin < Postponed>		
	Board of Game-		
	Pete Buist, Michael R. Fleagle, Cliff		
	Judkins, Sharon McLeod-Everette, Ron		
	Somerville, Ted Spraker	,	
Feb 07	Friday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

RULES

Feb 03	Monday	Fahrenkamp 203	1:00 PM	
	Organizational Meeting			
	Longevity Pay Increment Policy			

STATE AFFAIRS

Feb 04 Tuesday Beltz 211 3:30 PM

+ Confirmation Hearings:

Commissioner, Dept of Corrections-

Marc Antrim

Commissioner, Dept of Military and

Veterans' Affairs-

General Craig E. Campbell

Feb 06 Thursday Beltz 211 3:30 PM

No Meeting Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Feb 11 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

SB 31 RAILROAD UTILITY CORRIDOR TO & IN CANADA

Feb 18 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

SB 40 CONSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAYS BY DOTPF

JOINT COMMITTEES

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION REVIEW

Feb 05 Wednesday Beltz 211 8:30 AM

Introductory Organizational Meeting

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

Feb 19 Wednesday House Finance 519 12:00 PM

Audits and Other Committee Business

OTHER MEETINGS

FISH CAUCUS

Wednesday Butrovich 20 Status of AK Commercial Seafood Industry: Chris McDowell Feb 05 **Butrovich 205** 12:00 PM

JOINT SESSION

Mar 05 **House Chamber** 11:00 AM

Wednesday State of the Judiciary Chief Justice Dana Fabe