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Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Harris at 10:12 a.m.

Roll call showed 30 members present. Representatives Anderson, Coghill, Crawford, Gatto, Joule, McGuire, and Olson had been previously excused from a call of the House today. Representatives Gruenberg, Kohring, and Kott were absent and their presence was noted later.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Nancy Campbell of the Gospel Outreach Christian Center. Representative Stoltze moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Dear Heavenly Father,

First of all, I thank You, Lord, for hearing my prayers for these legislators. I pray for a continual grace upon them today and Your blessing on their labors.

I would also request that You sharpen their vision so they may gain insight into areas that have been difficult to resolve up until now: legislation that they have worked on and debated, yet seems to be elusive. Let there be breakthroughs today as You enlighten them while they are reasoning together. Bring clarity, and again I ask for a strengthening for them as the end of session nears. Bless them now, Lord.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Kerttula.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Acting Majority Leader Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 94th legislative day be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

**The presence of Representative Kott was noted.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

HB 198

A message dated April 13, 2005, was read stating the Senate has passed:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 198(RES)(title am)
"An Act relating to aquatic plant and shellfish farming; and providing for an effective date."

CSHB 198(RES)(title am) was referred to the Chief Clerk for enrollment.

**The presence of Representative Gruenberg was noted.

Messages dated April 13 and 14, 2005, were read stating the Senate has passed the following and they are transmitted for consideration:

FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF SENATE BILLS

SB 67

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 67(JUD)(efd fld) by the Senate Judiciary Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to claims for personal injury or wrongful death against health care providers."

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

SB 141

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 141(FIN) by the Senate Finance Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to the teachers' and public employees' retirement systems and creating defined contribution and health reimbursement plans for members of the teachers' retirement system and the public employees' retirement system who are first hired after July 1, 2005; relating to university retirement programs; establishing the Alaska Retirement Management Board to replace the Alaska State Pension Investment Board, the Alaska Teachers' Retirement Board, and the Public Employees' Retirement Board; adding appeals of the decisions of the administrator of the teachers' and public employees' retirement systems to the jurisdiction of the office of administrative hearings; providing for nonvested members of the teachers' retirement system defined benefit plans to transfer into the teachers' retirement system defined contribution plan and for nonvested members of the public employees' retirement system defined benefit plans to transfer into the public employees' retirement system defined contribution plan; providing for political subdivisions and public organizations to request to participate in the public employees' defined contribution retirement plan; and providing for an effective date."

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**HB 16**

The Rules Committee has considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 16

"An Act relating to funding for school districts operating secondary school boarding programs and to funding for school districts from which boarding students come; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 16(RLS)

"An Act relating to funding for school districts operating secondary school boarding programs, to funding for school districts from which boarding students come, and to the effectiveness of district secondary school boarding programs; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (5): Harris, Kohring, Coghill, Kerttula, Rokeberg

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 16(RLS):

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Education & Early Development

HB 16 was returned to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 32

The Finance Committee has considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 32

"An Act making a special appropriation for a grant to Arctic Power to promote the opening of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge for oil and gas exploration and development; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 32(FIN)
(same title)

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

Do pass (4): Hawker, Moses, Foster, Chenault

No recommendation (2): Stoltze, Kelly

Amend (1): Weyhrauch

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 32(FIN):

1. Zero, Dept. of Natural Resources

HB 32 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 54

The Finance Committee has considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 54

"An Act relating to bail review."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 54(FIN)

"An Act relating to bail review; relating to petitions for review by crime victims where the defendant has received a sentence below the sentencing range for the crime; relating to the qualifications of certain members of the Violent Crimes Compensation Board; relating to the introduction of the victim and the defendant or minor to the jury; amending Rule 27, Alaska Rules of Criminal Procedures, and Rule 21, Alaska Delinquency Rules; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (6): Hawker, Croft, Holm, Moses, Foster, Meyer

No recommendation (3): Weyhrauch, Kelly, Chenault

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 54(FIN):

1. Zero, Dept. of Corrections
2. Zero, Alaska Court System
3. Zero, Dept. of Law

HB 54 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 98

The Finance Committee has considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 98

"An Act relating to the compensation of certain public officials, officers, and employees not covered by collective bargaining agreements; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 98(STA)
(same title)

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

Do pass (5): Moses, Kelly, Foster, Meyer, Chenault

No recommendation (3): Hawker, Holm, Stoltze

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 98(STA):

1. Fiscal, Office of the Governor/All Depts.
2. Fiscal, Legislative Agency
4. Fiscal, Alaska Court System

HB 98 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 109

The Finance Committee has considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 109

"An Act relating to establishing a screening, tracking, and intervention program related to the hearing ability of newborns and infants; providing an exemption to licensure as an audiologist for certain persons performing hearing screening tests; relating to insurance coverage for newborn and infant hearing screening; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 109(FIN)

"An Act relating to establishing a screening, tracking, and intervention program related to the hearing ability of newborns and infants; providing an exemption to licensure as an audiologist for certain persons performing hearing screening; relating to insurance coverage for newborn and infant hearing screening; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (5): Stoltze, Kelly, Foster, Meyer, Chenault

No recommendation (4): Hawker, Holm, Weyhrauch, Moses

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 109(FIN):

2. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
3. Indeterminate, Dept. of Education & Early Development
4. Fiscal, Dept. of Health & Social Services

HB 109 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 156

The Rules Committee has considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 156

"An Act relating to the membership of the Alaska Commission on Aging; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 156(RLS)

"An Act relating to the membership and duties of and quorum requirements for the Alaska Commission on Aging; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (4): Kohring, Coghill, Kerttula, Rokeberg

No recommendation (1): Harris

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 156(RLS):

1. Zero, Dept. of Health & Social Services

HB 156 is on today's calendar.

HB 182

The Finance Committee has considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 182

"An Act amending the Alaska Wage and Hour Act as it relates to the employment of a person acting in a supervisory capacity; providing definitions for persons employed in administrative, executive, and professional capacities, for persons working in the capacity of an outside salesman, and for persons working in the capacity of a salesman employed on a straight commission basis."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 182(FIN)

"An Act amending the Alaska Wage and Hour Act as it relates to the employment of a person acting in a supervisory capacity or in an administrative, executive, or professional capacity; relating to definitions under the Alaska Wage and Hour Act and providing definitions for persons employed in administrative, executive, and professional capacities, for persons working in the capacity of an

outside salesman, for persons working in the capacity of a salesman employed on a straight commission basis, and for persons that perform computer-related occupations; directing retrospective application of the provisions of this Act to work performed before the effective date of this Act for purposes of claims filed on or after the effective date of this Act, and disallowing retrospective application for purposes of claims for that work that are filed before the effective date of this Act; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (2): Kelly, Foster

No recommendation (7): Hawker, Croft, Moses, Holm, Stoltze, Meyer, Chenault

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 182(FIN):

1. Zero, Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development

HB 182 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 183

The Judiciary Committee has considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 183

"An Act relating to the use of campaign contributions for shared campaign activity expenses and to reimbursement of those expenses."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 183(JUD)
(same title)

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

Do pass (6): Gruenberg, Kott, Dahlstrom, Coghill, Anderson, McGuire

Amend (1): Gara

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 183(JUD):

1. Zero, Dept. of Administration

HB 183 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 252

The Resources Committee has considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 252

"An Act providing for a sport fishing facility surcharge on sport fishing licenses; providing for the construction and renovation of state sport fishing facilities and for other projects beneficial to the sport fish resources of the state as a public enterprise; and authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds to finance those projects."

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

Do pass (3): Seaton, Elkins, Ramras

No recommendation (1): Samuels

Amend (1): Gatto

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
2. Fiscal, Dept. of Fish & Game
3. Fiscal, Dept. of Revenue

HB 252 was referred to the Finance Committee.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**HB 241**

The House Special Committee on Fisheries has considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 241

"An Act relating to participation in matters before the Board of Fisheries by members of the board; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 241(FSH)
(same title)

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

Do pass (5): Wilson, Harris, Elkins, LeDoux, Thomas

No recommendation (1): Salmon

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 241(FSH):

1. Zero, Dept. of Fish & Game

HB 241 was referred to the Resources Committee.

**INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE
OF HOUSE BILLS****HB 268**

HOUSE BILL NO. 268 by Representative Ramras, entitled:

"An Act relating to overtaking and passing certain stationary vehicles."

was read the first time and referred to the Transportation and Judiciary Committees.

**The presence of Representative Kohring was noted.

HB 269

HOUSE BILL NO. 269 by Representative Ramras, entitled:

"An Act relating to contribution actions relating to the release of a hazardous substance; and providing for an effective date."

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

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 156

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 156

"An Act relating to the membership of the Alaska Commission on Aging; and providing for an effective date."

with the:

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HES RPT CS(HES) NT 7DP	664
FN1: ZERO(HSS)	664
FIN RPT CS(HES) NT 8DP	887
FN1: ZERO(HSS)	887
RLS RPT CS(RLS) NT 4DP 1NR	1045
FN1: ZERO(HSS)	1046

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

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 156(RLS)

"An Act relating to the membership and duties of and quorum requirements for the Alaska Commission on Aging; and providing for an effective date."

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 1 was offered by Representatives Gruenberg and Holm:

Page 1, line 11, following "age":

Insert ", appointed by the governor"

Page 2, following line 4:

Insert new bill sections to read:

*** Sec. 2.** AS 47.45.200(c) is amended to read:

(c) The persons appointed under (a)(3) and (a)(5) of this section serve overlapping four-year terms, and serve at the pleasure of the governor. A member may be reappointed, but a member appointed under (a)(3) or (a)(5) of this section may not serve more than two consecutive terms or eight consecutive years, whichever is longer.

*** Sec. 3.** AS 47.45.200(d) is amended to read:

(d) If a person appointed under (a)(3) or (a)(5) of this section fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the commission, a majority of the members of the commission may request the governor to terminate the membership of the member and to fill the vacancy.

*** Sec. 4.** AS 47.45.200(e) is amended to read:

(e) A vacancy in the membership of persons appointed under (a)(3) and (a)(5) of this section shall be filled by appointment by the governor. The person appointed serves for the unexpired portion of the term."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Representative Gruenberg moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 be adopted.

Representative Stoltze objected and withdrew the objection. There being no further objection, Amendment No. 1 was adopted.

Representative Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 156(RLS) am be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 156(RLS) am was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CSHB 156(RLS) am pass the House?"
The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 156(RLS) am
Third Reading
Final Passage

YEAS: 33 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 7 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Berkowitz, Chenault, Cissna, Croft, Dahlstrom, Elkins, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Harris, Hawker, Holm, Kapsner, Kelly, Kerttula, Kohring, Kott, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Moses, Neuman, Ramras, Rokeberg, Salmon, Samuels, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Weyhrauch, Wilson

Excused: Anderson, Coghill, Crawford, Gatto, Joule, McGuire, Olson

And so, CSHB 156(RLS) am passed the House.

Representative Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 156(RLS) am was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

HB 219

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 219

"An Act relating to crimes and dangerous instruments."

with the:

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JUD RPT 5DP
FN1: ZERO(CRT)

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732

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FN2: ZERO(LAW)	732
FN3: ZERO(DPS)	732
FN4: INDETERMINATE(ADM)	732
FIN RPT CS(FIN) NT 8DP 2NR	980
FN1: ZERO(CRT)	981
FN2: ZERO(LAW)	981
FN3: ZERO(DPS)	981
FN5: ZERO(H.FIN/ADM)	981

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

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 219(FIN)
"An Act relating to the definition of 'dangerous instrument' as applied within the criminal code."

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 219(FIN) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 219(FIN) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CSHB 219(FIN) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 219(FIN)
Third Reading
Final Passage

YEAS: 33 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 7 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Berkowitz, Chenault, Cissna, Croft, Dahlstrom, Elkins, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Harris, Hawker, Holm, Kapsner, Kelly, Kerttula, Kohring, Kott, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Moses, Neuman, Ramras, Rokeberg, Salmon, Samuels, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Weyhrauch, Wilson

Excused: Anderson, Coghill, Crawford, Gatto, Joule, McGuire, Olson

And so, CSHB 219(FIN) passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

HB 256

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 256

"An Act naming the Ruth Burnett Sport Fish Hatchery in Fairbanks."

with the:	Journal Page
FSH RPT 4DP	964
FN1: ZERO(DFG)	964
RES RPT 6DP 1NR	982
FN1: ZERO(DFG)	982

Representative Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that HB 256 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

HB 256 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall HB 256 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 256
Third Reading
Final Passage

YEAS: 33 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 7 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Berkowitz, Chenault, Cissna, Croft, Dahlstrom, Elkins, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Harris, Hawker, Holm, Kapsner, Kelly, Kerttula, Kohring, Kott, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Moses, Neuman, Ramras, Rokeberg, Salmon, Samuels, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Weyhrauch, Wilson

Excused: Anderson, Coghill, Crawford, Gatto, Joule, McGuire, Olson

And so, HB 256 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 122

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the April 13, 2005, calendar (page 1023), was read the third time:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 122(FIN)

"An Act relating to certain relief concerning motor vehicle leases, telephone services, education, utilities, state loans, and hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses for members of the Alaska National Guard deployed to a combat zone; relating to reimbursement of premiums for Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance paid by members of the Alaska National Guard deployed to a combat zone; and providing for an effective date."

The question being: "Shall CSHB 122(FIN) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 122(FIN)

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 32 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 7 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Berkowitz, Chenault, Cissna, Croft, Dahlstrom, Elkins, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Harris, Hawker, Holm, Kapsner, Kelly, Kerttula, Kohring, Kott, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Moses, Neuman, Ramras, Rokeberg, Salmon, Samuels, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

Excused: Anderson, Coghill, Crawford, Gatto, Joule, McGuire, Olson

Absent: Weyhrauch

And so, CSHB 122(FIN) passed the House.

Representative Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Berkowitz gave notice of reconsideration of the vote on CSHB 122(FIN).

RECONSIDERATION

HB 122

Representative Berkowitz moved and asked unanimous consent that reconsideration of CSHB 122(FIN) be taken up on the same day. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 122(FIN) was again before the House in third reading.

The question to be reconsidered: "Shall CSHB 122(FIN) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 122(FIN)--RECONSIDERATION

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 32 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 7 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Berkowitz, Chenault, Cissna, Croft, Dahlstrom, Elkins, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Harris, Hawker, Holm, Kapsner, Kelly, Kerttula, Kohring, Kott, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Moses, Neuman, Ramras, Rokeberg, Salmon, Samuels, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

Excused: Anderson, Coghill, Crawford, Gatto, Joule, McGuire, Olson

Absent: Weyhrauch

And so, CSHB 122(FIN) passed the House on reconsideration.

Representative Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 122(FIN) was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**HB 41**

Representative Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that the House rescind previous action in passing the following (page 1028):

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 41(FIN) am

"An Act relating to minimum periods of imprisonment for the crime of assault in the fourth degree committed against an employee of an elementary, middle school, junior high, or secondary school or certain contractors of school districts who were engaged in the performance of school duties at the time of the assault."

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 41(FIN) am was again before the House in third reading.

Representative Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 41(FIN) am be returned to second reading for the specific purpose of rescinding previous action in adopting Amendment No. 1 as amended (page 1028). There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that the House rescind previous action in adopting Amendment No. 1 as amended. There being no objection, it was so ordered and the new title follows:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 41(FIN)

"An Act relating to minimum periods of imprisonment for the crime of assault in the fourth degree committed against an employee of an elementary, junior high, or secondary school or certain contractors of school districts who were engaged in the performance of school duties at the time of the assault."

Amendment No. 1 as amended (page 1027) was before the House.

Representative Foster moved that Amendment No. 1 as amended be adopted.

Representative Kerttula objected.

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

CSHB 41(FIN)
Second Reading
Amendment No. 1 as amended

YEAS: 1 NAYS: 26 EXCUSED: 7 ABSENT: 6

Yeas: Stoltze

Nays: Chenault, Cissna, Dahlstrom, Elkins, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Harris, Hawker, Holm, Kapsner, Kelly, Kerttula, Kohring, Kott, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Neuman, Rokeberg, Salmon, Seaton, Thomas, Wilson

Excused: Anderson, Coghill, Crawford, Gatto, Joule, McGuire, Olson

Absent: Berkowitz, Croft, Moses, Ramras, Samuels, Weyhrauch

And so, Amendment No. 1 as amended was not adopted.

The question being: "Shall CSHB 41(FIN) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 41(FIN)
Third Reading
Final Passage

YEAS: 27 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 7 ABSENT: 6

Yeas: Chenault, Cissna, Dahlstrom, Elkins, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Harris, Hawker, Holm, Kapsner, Kelly, Kerttula, Kohring, Kott, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Neuman, Rokeberg, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

Excused: Anderson, Coghill, Crawford, Gatto, Joule, McGuire, Olson

Absent: Berkowitz, Croft, Moses, Ramras, Samuels, Weyhrauch

And so, CSHB 41(FIN) passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

HB 157

The Speaker added a Finance Committee referral for the following:

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 157

"An Act clarifying the powers of electric or telephone cooperatives to become members of or own stock in other entities."

SSHB 157 is in the Labor & Commerce Committee.

Representative Foster 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 Neuman - from 7:00 p.m., April 14 to 9:30 a.m., plane time, April 19, 2005

Representative Dahlstrom - from 1:00 p.m., April 15 to 9:30 a.m., plane time, April 18, 2005

Representative Samuels - from 1:00 p.m., April 15 to 9:30 a.m., plane time, April 18, 2005

A letter dated April 11, 2005, was received from Joyce Anderson, Administrator, Select Committee on Legislative Ethics, referring to the appointments of the public members to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics (page 12).

The letter stated that, pursuant to AS 24.60.130(g), the public members' terms are three years, not two years. Accordingly, the terms of Dennis "Skip" Cook, Herman J. Walker, Jr., and Marianne Stillner expire the first day of the January 2006 legislative session. Therefore, no action is required by the House in 2005.

The letter was forwarded to the Judiciary Committee.

HB 109

Representatives Foster and Holm added their names as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 109

"An Act relating to establishing a screening, tracking, and intervention program related to the hearing ability of newborns and infants; providing an exemption to licensure as an audiologist

for certain persons performing hearing screening tests; relating to insurance coverage for newborn and infant hearing screening; and providing for an effective date."

HB 122

Representatives Gara, Ramras, Guttenberg, and LeDoux added their names as cosponsors to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 122(FIN)

"An Act relating to certain relief concerning motor vehicle leases, telephone services, education, utilities, state loans, and hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses for members of the Alaska National Guard deployed to a combat zone; relating to reimbursement of premiums for Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance paid by members of the Alaska National Guard deployed to a combat zone; and providing for an effective date."

HB 169

Representatives Foster and Croft added their names as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 169

"An Act relating to the educational requirements for certain real estate brokers, associate brokers, and salespersons with new or suspended licenses; and allowing real estate brokers to hire certain experts to review real estate transactions; and providing for an effective date."

HB 182

Representative Foster added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 182

"An Act amending the Alaska Wage and Hour Act as it relates to the employment of a person acting in a supervisory capacity; providing definitions for persons employed in administrative, executive, and professional capacities, for persons working in the capacity of an outside salesman, and for persons working in the capacity of a salesman employed on a straight commission basis."

HB 208

Representative Gardner added her name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 208

"An Act authorizing the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs to establish and maintain an Alaskan veterans' cemetery; and establishing the Alaska veterans' cemetery fund in the general fund."

HB 219

Representatives Gardner, Kapsner, Elkins, and Ramras added their names as cosponsors to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 219(FIN)

"An Act relating to the definition of 'dangerous instrument' as applied within the criminal code."

HB 226

Representative Guttenberg added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 226

"An Act relating to breaches of security involving personal information; and relating to credit report security freezes."

HB 256

Representatives Holm and Kelly added their names as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 256

"An Act naming the Ruth Burnett Sport Fish Hatchery in Fairbanks."

ENGROSSMENT**HB 41**

CSHB 41(FIN) was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 122

CSHB 122(FIN) was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 156

CSHB 156(RLS) am was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 219

CSHB 219(FIN) was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 256

HB 256 was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published daily under separate cover.

The following meeting today has been changed as indicated:

House Special Committee on Education
CANCELED

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Foster moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:00 a.m., April 15, 2005. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Suzi Lowell
Chief Clerk