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April 3, 2006

Eighty-fifth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 11:10 a.m.

The roll showed thirteen members present. Senators Bunde, Dyson, Green, Hoffman, Olson, Stedman, Wilken were absent.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Mike Rose of the Juneau Christian Center. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Heavenly Father, as I thank You for this beautiful day I am reminded of Psalm 100:

Make a joyful shout to the Lord, all you lands! Serve the Lord with gladness; Come before His presence with singing. Know that the Lord, He is God; it is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name. For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting, and His truth endures to all generations.

Lord, we are reminded by this scripture that we are not owners but rather stewards of all that has been entrusted to us.

Therefore we ask for Godly wisdom, guidance and direction for the Senate today. May righteousness and truth prevail in all matters that the Senate deliberates on today.

In the name of Jesus Christ I pray, Amen.

Senator Huggins led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

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

Messages from the Governor

HB 410

Message dated and received April 3 was read, stating the Governor signed the following bill and transmitted the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's Office for permanent filing:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 410(JUD) "An Act making corrective amendments to the Alaska Statutes as recommended by the revisor of statutes; and providing for an effective date."

Chapter 12, SLA 2006
Effective Date: 04/04/2006

Letter dated March 30 and received March 31 was read, stating in accordance with AS 39.05.080, I submit the following names for legislative confirmation of appointment to the boards and commissions set out below:

Board of Fisheries

Bonnie Williams – Fairbanks

Appointed: 7/1/2006 Term Expires: 6/30/2009

Big Game Commercial Services Board

Leif Wilson – Tok

Appointed: 3/23/2006

Term Expires: 3/1/2007

The appointments were referred to the Resources Committee.

Board of Chiropractic Examiners

Jeffrey A. Garness – Anchorage

Appointed: 3/8/2006

Term Expires: 3/1/2010

The appointment was referred to the Labor and Commerce Committee.

Board of Pharmacy

Richard Holm – North Pole

Appointed: 3/31/2006

Term Expires: 3/1/2010

Board of Psychologist and Psychological Associate Examiners

Lisa Turner – Kenai

Appointed: 3/8/2006

Term Expires: 3/1/2008

The appointments were referred to the Health, Education and Social Services Committee.

The resumes for these appointments have been submitted to the Offices of the Senate Secretary and the Chief Clerk.

Consideration of the Calendar**Second Reading of Senate Bills****SB 300**

SENATE BILL NO. 300 "An Act relating to the handling of negative equity in motor vehicle transactions" was read the second time.

Senator Gary Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Labor and Commerce Committee Substitute offered on page 2610. Without objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 300(L&C) "An Act relating to the handling of negative equity in motor vehicle transactions; and relating to the contents of retail installment contracts" was adopted.

The presence of Senators Stedman, Hoffman was noted.

SB 300

President Stevens stated CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 300(L&C) will be on the April 5 calendar.

SB 308

SENATE BILL NO. 308 "An Act authorizing the Alaska Railroad Corporation to issue revenue bonds to finance rail transportation projects that qualify for federal financial participation; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

President Stevens stated SENATE BILL NO. 308 will be on the April 5 calendar.

Citations

Honoring – Volunteers in Service to America

Representative(s) Elkins

Senator(s) Stedman, Ben Stevens, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, Olson, Seekins, Gary Stevens, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

Honoring – The United States Coast Guard in Alaska

Representative(s) Weyhrauch, Kerttula

Senator(s) Elton, Ben Stevens, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Gary Stevens, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

Honoring – National Correctional Officers' Week, May 7 – 13, 2006

Representative(s) Harris

Senator(s) Therriault, Ben Stevens, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Gary Stevens, Wagoner, Wilken

Honoring – Greg McCullough

Representative(s) Seaton

Senator(s) Gary Stevens, Ben Stevens, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

In Memoriam – Clifford “Jack” Johnson

Representative(s) Harris

Senator(s) Therriault, Ben Stevens, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Gary Stevens, Wagoner, Wilken

In Memoriam – Violet Elizabeth Redington, First Lady of the Iditarod

Representative(s) Neuman

Senator(s) Huggins, Ben Stevens, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Kookesh, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Gary Stevens, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

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

The presence of Senators Dyson, Green, Wilken, Bunde, Olson was noted.

Unfinished Business

Senator Kookesh moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from plane time, April 6 to plane time, April 8. Without objection, Senator Kookesh was excused.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Gary Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., April 5, 2006. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

Kirsten Waid
Secretary of the Senate

April 2006

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Apr 03	Monday	Beltz 211	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Apr 05	Wednesday	Beltz 211	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Apr 07	Friday	Beltz 211	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

FINANCE

Apr 03	Monday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+ SB 305	OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Apr 04	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+ SB 305	OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Apr 05	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+ SB 305	OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Apr 05	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	4:30 PM
	-- Note Time Change --		
+ HB 365	APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS		
	Subcommittee Reports to Full Committee		

FINANCE (continued)

Apr 06	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+= SB 305	OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Apr 06	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	1:00 PM
	-- Note Time Change --		
+= HB 365	APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Apr 06	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	5:30 PM
	-- Note Time Change --		
+= HB 365	APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS		
	Statewide Public Testimony		
	(public testimony may be limited to no more than 3 minutes)		
	5:30 pm Fairbanks, Mat-Su		
	6:00 pm Anchorage		
	6:30 pm Glenallen, Seward, Homer		
	7:00 pm Kenai, Kodiak, Dillingham		
Apr 07	Friday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+= SB 305	OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Apr 07	Friday	Senate Finance 532	1:00 PM
	-- Note Time Change --		
+= HB 365	APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS		
	Continuation - Statewide Public Testimony		
	(public testimony may be limited to no more than 3 minutes)		
	1:00 pm Bethel, Nome, Kotzebue		
	1:30 pm Barrow, Tok, Delta Junction		
	2:00 pm Ketchikan, Wrangell, Petersburg		
	2:30 pm Sitka, Cordova, Valdez		
Apr 08	Saturday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+= SB 305	OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Apr 08	Saturday	Senate Finance 532	1:00 PM
	-- Note Time Change --		
+= HB 365	APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS		
	Continuation - Statewide Public Testimony		
	(public testimony may be limited to no more than 3 minutes)		
	1:00 pm Statewide off-nets		
	1:30 pm Juneau		

HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES

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

Apr 05 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 -- Meeting Canceled --
 + SB 48 PSYCH. EVALUATION/TREATMENT FOR STUDENTS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 07 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 -- Meeting Canceled --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY

Apr 03 Monday Butrovich 205 8:30 AM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Apr 04 Tuesday Butrovich 205 8:30 AM
 += HB 318 LIMITATION ON EMINENT DOMAIN
 += HB 408 DEFINITION OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT
 + HB 400 CONFISCATION OF FIREARMS

Apr 05 Wednesday Butrovich 205 8:30 AM
 + Dept. of Law Presentation: Alaska Rural Justice & Law
 Enforcement Commission
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 06 Thursday Butrovich 205 8:30 AM
 += HB 272 CARD ROOMS & OPERATIONS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 07 Friday Butrovich 205 8:30 AM
 No Meeting Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

Apr 04 Tuesday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 + HB 394 INSURANCE POLICIES IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES
 + SB 311 ATHLETIC COMMISSION; BOXING & WRESTLING
 + SB 312 CONCERT OR ATHLETIC EVENT PROMOTERS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Including But Not Limited to:
 += SB 272 MORTGAGE LENDING

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LABOR & COMMERCE (continued)

Apr 06 Thursday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

RESOURCES

Apr 03 Monday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
No Meeting Scheduled

Apr 05 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
+= HB 37 PUBLIC ACCESS TO FISHING STREAMS
+ HB 218 PRIVATE HATCHERY COST RECOVERY FISHERIES
+ HB 380 ANIMALS & ANIMAL OR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

Apr 07 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
+= HB 37 PUBLIC ACCESS TO FISHING STREAMS
+= HB 218 PRIVATE HATCHERY COST RECOVERY FISHERIES
+= HB 380 ANIMALS & ANIMAL OR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

STATE AFFAIRS

Apr 04 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
No Meeting Scheduled

Apr 06 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
+ HB 12 TVS AND MONITORS IN MOTOR VEHICLES
Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Apr 04 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
No Meeting Scheduled

Apr 06 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
+ SB 18 AUTO DEALERS DISCLOSURE DATA RECORDER

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES**COMMERCE, COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEV**

Apr 04	Tuesday	Beltz 211	8:00 AM
	-- Meeting Canceled -- Budget Closeout		

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA

Apr 03	Monday	Senate Finance 532	7:30 AM
+	FY07 Operating Budget Closeout		

SPECIAL COMMITTEES**COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY OVERSIGHT**

Apr 10	Monday	Senate Finance 532	5:00 PM
	-- Teleconference <Listen Only> -- University of Alaska Presentation		

JOINT COMMITTEES**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HB 149**

Apr 04	Tuesday	Capitol 120	4:00 PM
HB 149	CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES		

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SB 232

Apr 03	Monday	Senate Finance 532	12:00 PM
SB 232	SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS		

Apr 05	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	4:00 PM
= SB 232	SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS		

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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

Apr 04	Tuesday	House Finance 519	5:30 PM
	Audit Requests		
	Executive Session -		
	Preliminary and Final Audits		
	Other Business		

OTHER MEETINGS

JOINT SESSION

May 04	Thursday	House Chamber	11:00 AM
	Confirmation of Governor's Appointees		