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Twenty-ninth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 5:47 p.m.

The roll showed fifteen members present. Senators Davis, French, Hoffman, Kookesh, Olson were absent.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Bianca Carpeneti. Senator Bunde moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Dear Lord,

In years gone by the early Aleuts called Alaska "the Great Land." Today we still acknowledge this greatness and especially Your vast creative power whenever we look upon the beauty of the land You provided.

This land You created comprises more than one half million square miles, is crowned by Denali, the highest peak on the continent, and has more than 5000 gleaming glaciers led by the famous Malaspina.

These geographic marvels are a constant reminder that You gave us the responsibility to protect, manage, and use Your gifts wisely. Amen.

Senator Guess led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Gary Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the twenty-eighth legislative day be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the House**SB 2001**

Message dated June 7 was read, stating the House has failed to recede from its amendments to CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 2001(FIN), namely:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 2001(FIN) am H "An Act relating to the production tax on oil and gas and to conservation surcharges on oil; relating to criminal penalties for violating conditions governing access to and use of confidential information relating to the production tax; amending the definition of 'gas' as that definition applies in the Alaska Stranded Gas Development Act; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date."

The Speaker has appointed the following members to a Conference Committee to meet with the like committee from the Senate to consider the bills:

Representative Samuels, Chair
Representative Kelly
Representative Kerttula

Senate members appointed June 6 (page 3573):

Senator Stedman, Chair
Senator Huggins
Senator French

The presence of Senator Davis was noted.

Message dated June 7 was read, stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

**First Reading and Reference of
House Resolutions**

HCR 201

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 201 BY
REPRESENTATIVE GARA,

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e),
Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature,
concerning Senate Bill No. 2002, relating to
jurisdiction and timing of judicial review of a
contract executed under the Alaska Stranded Gas
Development Act.

was read the first time and held on the Secretary's desk.

Concur Messages

SB 2002

Message dated June 7 was read, stating the House passed and returned for consideration CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 2002(JUD) "An Act conferring original jurisdiction on the Alaska Supreme Court for the purpose of providing judicial review of a contract executed under the Alaska Stranded Gas Development Act, and setting the time in which a final agency decision of the commissioner of revenue made under that Act, the constitutionality of a law authorizing a contract enacted under that Act, or the enforceability of a contract executed under a law authorizing a contract enacted under that Act must be legally challenged and by whom; and providing for an effective date" with the following amendments:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 2002(JUD)
am H "An Act increasing the time period for legislative and
public comment on a proposed contract and preliminary
findings and determinations under the Alaska Stranded Gas
Development Act, conferring original jurisdiction on the
Alaska Supreme Court for the purpose of providing judicial

review of a contract executed under the Alaska Stranded Gas Development Act, and setting the time in which a final agency decision of the commissioner of revenue made under that Act, the constitutionality of a law authorizing a contract enacted under that Act, or the enforceability of a contract executed under a law authorizing a contract enacted under that Act must be legally challenged and by whom; and providing for an effective date." (Title change HCR 201)

Senator Gary Stevens moved that the Senate concur in the House amendments and recommended the body vote no.

The question being: "Shall the Senate concur in the House amendments?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 2002(JUD) am H
Shall the Senate Concur in the House
Amendments to CSSB 2002(JUD)?

YEAS: 4 NAYS: 12 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 4

Yeas: Davis, Ellis, Elton, Guess

Nays: Bunde, Cowdery, Dyson, Green, Huggins, Seekins, Stedman, Stevens B, Stevens G, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

Absent: French, Hoffman, Kookesh, Olson

and so, the Senate failed to concur.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House of the Senate's action and request the House to recede from its amendments. In the event the House fails to recede, the President appointed a Conference Committee to meet with a like committee from the House to consider the bills:

Senator Seekins, Chair
Senator Cowdery
Senator Guess

Recess

President Stevens stated the Senate would stand in recess. Without objection, the Senate recessed at 5:56 p.m.

After Recess

The Senate reconvened at 8:00 p.m.

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 2:00 p.m., June 8, 2006. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Kirsten Waid
Secretary of the Senate

June 2006

Announcements

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SPECIAL COMMITTEES

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON NATURAL GAS DEV

Jun 07	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
SB2001	OIL AND GAS TAX		
	<Bill Hearing Canceled>		
	Round Table Question & Answer Session		
	- Legislators		
	- Consultants		
	- Producers		
	- Administration		
Jun 08	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	8:00 AM
	Round Table Question & Answer Session		
	- Legislators		
	- Consultants		
	- Producers		
	- Administration		

JOINT COMMITTEES

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SENATE BILL 2001

Jun 07	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	8:30 AM
	-- Meeting will Reconvene at 9:00 am 6/8--		
SB2001	OIL AND GAS TAX		
Jun 08	Thursday	Butrovich 205	9:00 AM
	-- Continued from 6/7/06 --		
= SB2001	OIL AND GAS TAX		