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Fifty-sixth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Harris at 3:06 p.m.

Roll call showed 33 members present. Representatives Crawford, Foster, and Salmon had been excused from a call of the House today.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Cissna be excused from a call of the House from today to 8:00 a.m., March 13. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the following members' excused absences be extended to evening plane time, March 13: Representatives Thomas and LeDoux (page 419). There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Kohring be excused from a call of the House to evening plane time, today. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, David Dierdorff of Juneau Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. Representative Dahlstrom moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Please join me in reverence as we pray, each in our own way.

Let us pray that we may notice and accept the Divinity of tiny things: The Divine of ordinary miracles and even in the awkward mistakes; in frivolous conversation with friends; in wordless companionship with a loved one; in the work that seems futile one day, but resonates with meaning the next; in the shared meal and the shopping list; in the peaceful sleep and the simple procession of the days.

We pray this moment to keep tender vigil over our precious, imperfect lives. To know each one as a vessel, however cracked or broken, of the Holy. So may we strive to recognize the indwelling presence of the Divine in all people, in all living things, and even in ourselves.

May we open our hearts. So may it be. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Holmes.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, and 55th legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message dated March 7, 2007, was read stating the Senate passed the following and they are transmitted for consideration:

FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF SENATE BILLS

SB 19

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 19(FIN) am by the Senate Finance Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to a public officer's taking official action regarding, or influencing, a matter in which the public officer has a personal or financial interest; relating to restrictions on

employment after leaving state service; prohibiting certain persons from engaging in activity as lobbyists; relating to financial disclosures from former public officials; and defining 'official action' under the Alaska Executive Branch Ethics Act and related law."

was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

SB 20

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 20(STA) am(efd fld) by the Senate State Affairs Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to disclosures by legislators, legislative employees, public members of the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics, and legislative directors subject to the Legislative Ethics Act; and relating to the applicability of the Legislative Ethics Act."

was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following was received:

Alaska State Legislature
Task Force to Assess Public Reporting of
Health Care Associated Infections
Senator Stevens, Chair
March 5, 2007
(as required by Legislative Resolve No. 38, 2006)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Resources Committee reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Mr. Larry Hartig

as Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Conservation.

The report was signed by Representatives Johnson and Gatto, Co-chairs; and Representatives Wilson, Seaton, Edgmon, Guttenberg.

HB 148

The Health, Education & Social Services Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 148

"An Act relating to the senior care program; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (4): Roses, Gardner, Fairclough, Wilson

Amend (2): Seaton, Cissna

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

2. Fiscal, Dept. of Health & Social Services

HB 148 was referred to the Finance Committee.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citations were introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

Honoring - Pastor Clifton J. Gay III and First Lady Gail Gay, New Hope Baptist Church
By Senator Wielechowski; Representative Gruenberg

Honoring - Carole Winton, 2006 Realtor of the Year
By Senator McGuire

Honoring - Mike Sterling
By Senator McGuire

In Memoriam - J. Anthony Smith
By Representatives Gruenberg, LeDoux

In Memoriam - Lester Blake
By Senator Davis

In Memoriam - Emma Lynn Hanson
By Senator McGuire

**INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE
OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS**

HJR 13

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13 by Representatives Gardner, Buch, and Gara:

Urging the attorney general, the producers of natural gas in the Cook Inlet region, and the Regulatory Commission of Alaska to work to secure long-term and affordable supplies of natural gas for the people and businesses of the state.

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Oil & Gas and the Labor & Commerce Committee.

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

HB 184

HOUSE BILL NO. 184 by Representatives Roses, Lynn, and Dahlstrom, entitled:

"An Act relating to a commemorative troops license plate; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs and the State Affairs and Finance Committees.

HB 185

HOUSE BILL NO. 185 by Representative Coghill, entitled:

"An Act relating to certain municipal service areas that provide road services."

was read the first time and referred to the Community & Regional Affairs and Transportation Committees.

HB 186

HOUSE BILL NO. 186 by Representative Harris by request, entitled:

"An Act relating to sharing with certain federal agencies records required of sport fishing guides."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Fisheries and the Resources Committee.

HB 187

HOUSE BILL NO. 187 by Representative Johansen, entitled:

"An Act relating to holders of business license endorsements for sales of tobacco products."

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

HB 188

HOUSE BILL NO. 188 by Representative Wilson, entitled:

"An Act relating to the authority of the Board of Fisheries to allocate within fisheries; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Fisheries and the Resources and Judiciary Committees.

HB 189

HOUSE BILL NO. 189 by Representatives Stoltze and Johnson, entitled:

"An Act relating to the policy for management of sustainable salmon fisheries."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Fisheries and the Resources Committee.

HB 190

HOUSE BILL NO. 190 by Representative Cissna, entitled:

"An Act relating to break times for employees who nurse a child."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education & Social Services and Labor & Commerce Committees.

HB 191

HOUSE BILL NO. 191 by Representative Seaton, entitled:

"An Act creating an incentive for certain state employees to continue serving past the date the employees become eligible to retire; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 192

HOUSE BILL NO. 192 by Representative Doogan, entitled:

"An Act relating to notification to teachers of layoff or nonretention."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education & Social Services and Finance Committees.

HB 193

HOUSE BILL NO. 193 by Representative Roses, entitled:

"An Act relating to the composition of the Alaska Police Standards Council; and providing for an effective date."

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

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR**SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS****HB 26**

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 26

"An Act relating to aquatic farm permitting involving geoducks and to geoduck seed transfers between certified hatcheries and aquatic farms."

with the:

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FN1: ZERO(DFG)	406

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

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 26(FSH)
(same title)

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 26(FSH) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage.

There was objection.

CSHB 26(FSH) will advance to third reading on the March 14, 2007, calendar.

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citations on the calendar. There being no objection, the following citations were approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring - Blake Weiland, Levi Johnston, and Dominick Nickles

By Representatives Gatto, Harris, Chenault, Cissna, Dahlstrom, Doll, Doogan, Gara, Gardner, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Kerttula, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

Honoring - Women of Distinction

By Senator Davis; Representatives Harris, Chenault, Cissna, Dahlstrom, Doll, Doogan, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Kerttula, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

Honoring - Rasmuson Foundation

By Senator Davis; Representatives Harris, Chenault, Cissna, Dahlstrom, Doll, Doogan, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Kerttula, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

Honoring - Houston High School Hockey Team

By Senator Huggins; Representatives Neuman, Harris, Chenault, Cissna, Dahlstrom, Doll, Doogan, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Kerttula, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

In Memoriam - Milton Souter

By Representatives Gatto, Harris, Chenault, Cissna, Dahlstrom, Doll, Doogan, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Kerttula, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

In Memoriam - Teresa Bock

By Representatives Gatto, Harris, Chenault, Cissna, Dahlstrom, Doll, Doogan, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Kerttula, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

In Memoriam - Grover Cleveland Davis

By Representatives Gatto, Harris, Chenault, Cissna, Dahlstrom, Doll, Doogan, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Kerttula, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

In Memoriam - Jerry Samuel O'Brien

By Senator Kookesh; Representatives Thomas, Harris, Chenault, Cissna, Dahlstrom, Doll, Doogan, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Kerttula, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Wilson

In Memoriam - Johnny'ee L. Barney II

By Senator Davis; Representatives Harris, Chenault, Cissna, Dahlstrom, Doll, Doogan, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Kerttula, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

In Memoriam - Mack Carter Jr.

By Senator Davis; Representatives Harris, Chenault, Cissna, Dahlstrom, Doll, Doogan, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Kerttula, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HB 15

Representative Wilson added her name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 15

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

HB 26

Representative Roses added his name as cosponsor to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 26(FSH)

"An Act relating to aquatic farm permitting involving geoducks and to geoduck seed transfers between certified hatcheries and aquatic farms."

HB 131

Representative Wilson added her name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 131

"An Act relating to the burning capability of cigarettes being sold or offered for sale, or possessed for sale; relating to compliance certifications by tobacco product manufacturers, a directory of tobacco product manufacturers, the affixing of stamps to cigarette packages, and cigarette tax stamps; and providing for an effective date."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published daily under separate cover.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:00 a.m., March 14, 2007. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

Suzi Lowell
Chief Clerk