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Tenth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Harris at 10:03 a.m.

Roll call showed 31 members present. Representatives Foster, Gruenberg, and Johnson had been excused from a call of the House today. Representatives Chenault, Doll, Johansen, Kelly, and Ramras were absent and their presence was noted later.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Dahlstrom be excused from a call of the House from today to 10:00 a.m., January 25. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, the Reverend Thomas Weise of the Cathedral of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Representative LeDoux moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

With the deepest respect for the religious beliefs of all Alaskans, I offer the following prayer.

From Psalm 19: The heavens declare the glory of the Creator; the firmament proclaims the handiwork of love. ... The law of love is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of love is sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of love are right, rejoicing the heart; the authority of love is pure, enlightening the eyes; the spirit of love is wondrous, enduring forever; the rites of love are true, awakening compassion.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart find favor in your heart O my Beloved, my strength and my joy!

Gracious God, you created us and placed us within families to learn how to love and be loved. We praise you for your goodness; we thank you for your gifts. Bless our state with your love. Raise up in Alaska good and holy families, loving husbands and wives, devoted parents and children. Raise up from our families and friends dedicated and generous leaders who will serve as models in our communities. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Salmon.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the ninth legislative day be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

**The presence of Representative Ramras was noted.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following was received January 23, 2008:

Local Boundary Commission
Statement of Decision
Ketchikan Gateway Borough Annexation
(pursuant to art. X, sec. 12, Alaska Constitution)

The Speaker referred the Commission's recommendation to the Community & Regional Affairs Committee.

The recommendation of the Local Boundary Commission will be published January 25 in Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 11.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

HB 273

The Health, Education & Social Services Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 273

"An Act relating to school funding, the base student allocation, district cost factors, and the adjustments for intensive services and average daily membership calculations; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (5): Cissna, Fairclough, Gardner, Seaton, Roses

No recommendation (1): Keller

Amend (1): Wilson

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Education & Early Development
2. Fiscal, Dept. of Education & Early Development

HB 273 was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 284

The State Affairs Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 284

"An Act relating to participation in certain student fellowships as an allowable absence from the state for purposes of eligibility for permanent fund dividends; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (4): Johansen, Roses, Doll, Lynn

No recommendation (1): Coghill

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Revenue

HB 284 was referred to the Finance Committee.

**The presence of Representatives Doll, Kelly, and Chenault was noted.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citation was introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

In Memoriam – Geraldine Ivy
By Senator Bunde

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 339

HOUSE BILL NO. 339 by Representative Crawford by request, entitled:

"An Act relating to the licensing of clinical laboratory science professionals; and providing for an effective date."

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

**The presence of Representative Johansen was noted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Samuels 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 Chenault – from noon, January 25 to evening plane time, January 27

Representative Fairclough – from 1:00 p.m., today to morning plane time, January 28

Representative Neuman – from noon, January 25 to evening plane time, January 27

Representative Ramras – from 6:00 p.m., January 24 to morning plane time, January 28

Representative Crawford – from 7:00 a.m., January 25 to 10:00 a.m., plane time, January 28

Representative Wilson – from noon, June 17 to afternoon plane time, July 14

HB 29

The following memorandum dated January 23, 2008, was received from Patty Rose, Enrolling Secretary, Division of Legal and Research Services, regarding:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 29(FIN)

"An Act relating to infants who are safely surrendered by a parent shortly after birth."

"In accordance with Rule 43, Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, I am reporting the following manifest error in CSHB 29(FIN), which has been corrected in enrolling:

Page 2, line 10, following "physician,":

Insert "or""

HB 193

Representative Crawford added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 193

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

HB 226

Representative Doll added her name as cosponsor to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 226(FIN)

"An Act extending the termination of the state training and employment program; requiring a review of the program; and providing for an effective date."

HB 251

Representative Crawford added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 251

"An Act relating to the use of credited military service by retired peace officers and fire fighters to meet certain requirements for major medical insurance coverage benefits."

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., January 25, 2008. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Suzi Lowell
Chief Clerk