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Thirty-second Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Green at 11:13 a.m.

The roll showed sixteen members present. Senators Cowdery, Dyson, Kookesh were excused from a call of the Senate. Senator Wilken was absent.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Dr. Zimmerman of the Chapel by the Lake. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Sovereign Lord of our Nation; I claim once again our heritage as a nation under God. Graciously continue the commitment of this Senate to lead our state in paths of justice and righteousness for all Alaskans.

Deliver the members of the Senate from the tyranny of the urgent in order that they may focus their time and energy on the issues of greatest importance for the strengthening of the State of Alaska. Grant to each one the ability to attend to the legislation that must have priority and to contribute to its timely consideration.

When the sun sets this evening and responsibilities of the day are finally completed, may each Senator rest in the satisfaction that comes when the tasks are concluded and the work is well done. Amen.

Senator Huggins led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the thirtieth and thirty-first legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the Governor

HB 317

Message was read stating the Governor signed the following bill on February 13 and transmitted the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's Office for permanent filing:

HOUSE BILL NO. 317 "An Act eliminating the limit on compassionate gifts that a legislator or legislative employee may solicit, accept, or receive under the Legislative Ethics Act; and providing for an effective date."

Chapter 2, SLA 2008
Effective Date: 2/14/08

SB 139

Message was read stating the Governor signed the following bill on February 13 and transmitted the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's Office for permanent filing:

HOUSE CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 139(JUD) "An Act modifying
the criteria used to limit liability for certain airfield
owners or operators."

Chapter 3, SLA 2008
Effective Date: 5/13/08

Messages from the House**SB 125**

Message dated February 13 was read, stating the House has failed to recede from its amendment to CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 125(FIN) "An Act relating to the accounting and payment of contributions under the retirement plans of the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska and the Teachers' Retirement System, to calculations of contributions under those retirement plans, and to participation in, and termination of and amendments to participation in, the defined benefit plans of those systems; relating to employer contributions to the health reimbursement arrangement plan; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date"

namely,

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 125(FIN) "An Act relating to the accounting and payment of contributions under the retirement plans of the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska and the Teachers' Retirement System, to calculations of contributions under those retirement plans, and to participation in, and termination of and amendments to participation in, the defined benefit plans of those systems; relating to recovery of an award of damages or other recovery by those systems; relating to employer contributions to the health reimbursement arrangement plan; relating to participation in the public employees' defined contribution plan by certain elected officials; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date." (Title change HCR 11)

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 Meyer, Chair
Representative Samuels
Representative Kerttula

Senate members appointed February 13:

Senator Hoffman, Chair
Senator Huggins
Senator Bunde

Message dated February 13 was read, stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 284

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 284(FIN) BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"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."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs and Health, Education and Social Services Committees.

HB 296

HOUSE BILL NO. 296 BY REPRESENTATIVE LYNN, entitled:

"An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Parole; and providing for an effective date."

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

Standing Committee Reports

SB 164

The Transportation Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 164 "An Act relating to disclosures required for the sale of a used motor vehicle, including a trailer, by a motor vehicle dealer." Signing do pass: Senator Kookesh, Chair; Senators Wilken, Olson. Signing no recommendation: Senator Wielechowski.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Law

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

SB 170

Forthcoming Health, Education and Social Services Committee Letter of Intent (page 1856) for SENATE BILL NO. 170 "An Act requiring that health care insurers provide insurance coverage for well-baby exams" was received today:

Letter of Intent

The Alaska Legislature recognizes the importance of well baby exams as a routine and necessary part of preventative pediatric health care. It is the intent of the Legislature that in the consideration of well baby exam coverage, the Division of Retirement and Benefits remains consistent with its past record of adopting all state mandated coverages as a part of its standard health care plan for state employees.

SB 181

The Health, Education and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 181 "An Act relating to the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act, to anatomical gifts, to donations to the anatomical gift awareness fund, to a registry of anatomical gifts, and to organizations that handle the procurement, distribution, or storage of all or a part of an individual's body" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 181(HES)

Signing do pass: Senator Davis, Chair; Senators Elton, Thomas, Dyson.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

The bill was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

SB 183

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 183 "An Act repealing the defined contribution retirement plans for teachers and for public employees; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Ellis, Chair; Senator Davis. Signing do not pass: Senator Bunde. Signing no recommendation: Senator Hoffman.

Fiscal information forthcoming.

The bill was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

SB 187

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 187 "An Act increasing the minimum wage; creating an annual adjustment to the minimum wage based on the rate of inflation; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Ellis, Chair; Senator Davis. Signing do not pass: Senators Bunde, Stevens. Signing no recommendation: Senator Hoffman.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Labor and Workforce
Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 196

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 196 "An Act relating to establishing a controlled substance prescription database" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 196(FIN)

and further recommended the adoption of the Labor and Commerce Committee Letter of Intent offered on page 1785.

Signing do pass: Senators Hoffman, Stedman, Cochairs; Senator Thomas. Signing no recommendation: Senators Elton, Olson.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 3, Department of Commerce, Community and
Economic Development

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Health and Social Services

The bill is on today's calendar.

SB 215

The State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 215 "An Act relating to issuance of identification cards and to issuance of driver's licenses; and providing for an effective date." Signing no recommendation: Senator McGuire, Chair; Senators French, Stevens. Signing do pass: Senator Green.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Administration

President Green added a Finance Committee referral to the bill.

The bill was referred to the Transportation, then Finance Committees.

SB 230

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 230 "An Act establishing the film office in the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development; and creating a transferable tax credit applicable to certain film production expenditures incurred in the state" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE
BILL NO. 230(L&C)

Signing do pass: Senator Ellis, Chair; Senators Davis, Stevens, Hoffman. Signing no recommendation: Senator Bunde.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, indeterminate, Department of Revenue

Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Commerce, Community and
Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 235

The Community and Regional Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 235 "An Act relating to shipping, sending, transporting, or bringing alcohol to a local option area and providing alcohol to others in the local option area, including penalties for violations; relating to furnishing alcohol to a minor and to civil penalties for licensees whose agents or employees furnish alcohol to a minor; relating to manslaughter as a direct result of ingestion of alcoholic beverages brought in violation of a local option prohibition; relating to reports of the court concerning certain alcohol violations by minors; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 235(CRA) "An Act relating to shipping, sending, transporting, or bringing alcohol to a local option area and providing alcohol to others in the local option area, including penalties for violations; relating to when a conviction occurs for certain purposes relating to alcoholic beverage licenses; relating to manslaughter as a direct result of ingestion of alcoholic beverages brought in violation of a local option prohibition; relating to reports of the court concerning certain alcohol violations by minors; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date."

Signing amend: Senator Olson, Chair; Senator Wagoner. Signing do pass: Senators Thomas, Kookesh. Signing no recommendation: Senator Stevens.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 9, indeterminate, Department of Corrections

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Public Safety

Fiscal Note No. 2, indeterminate, Department of Administration

Fiscal Note No. 4, zero, Department of Administration

Fiscal Note No. 5, zero, Department of Law

Fiscal Note No. 6, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

Fiscal Note No. 7, indeterminate, Department of Administration

Fiscal Note No. 8, zero, Department of Public Safety

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

SB 241

The Health, Education and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 241 "An Act relating to a report to the legislature on teacher preparation, retention, and recruitment by the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska" and recommended the adoption of the Senate Special Committee on Education Committee Substitute offered on page 1787.

Signing do pass: Senator Davis, Chair; Senator Thomas. Signing no recommendation: Senators Elton, Dyson.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, University of Alaska

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 251

The Resources Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 251 "An Act repealing the termination date of the vessel permit system for the Bering Sea hair crab fishery and the weathervane scallop fishery; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 251(RES) "An Act providing for an effective date by delaying the effective date of repeal of the authority of the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission to maintain the vessel-based commercial fisheries limited entry systems for the Bering Sea Korean hair crab and weathervane scallop fisheries, and the effective date of conforming amendments related to the repeal of those systems."

Signing do pass: Senator Huggins, Chair. Signing do not pass: Senator Stevens. Signing no recommendation: Senators Green, McGuire, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Stedman.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Fish and Game

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 255

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 255 "An Act relating to refunding of certain outstanding bonds issued by the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority concerning the Snettisham hydroelectric project and related assets; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senators Hoffman, Stedman, Cochair; Senators Elton, Thomas, Huggins. Signing no recommendation: Senator Olson.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 101

The State Affairs Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 101(CRA) "An Act relating to uniform traffic laws and to operating a vehicle while under the influence of an alcoholic beverage, inhalant, or controlled substance" and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO.
101(STA)

Signing do pass: Senator McGuire, Chair; Senator Bunde. Signing no recommendation: Senators French, Stevens.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Administration

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SJR 15

The Community and Regional Affairs Committee considered SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15 Disapproving the Local Boundary Commission recommendation regarding the annexation of territory to the Ketchikan Gateway Borough, and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO.
15(CRA)

Signing do pass: Senator Olson, Chair; Senators Thomas, Kookesh.
Signing do not pass: Senator Wagoner. Signing no recommendation:
Senator Stevens.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Senate Community and Regional Affairs
Committee

The resolution was referred to the Finance Committee.

SCR 15

The State Affairs Committee considered SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15 Proposing an amendment to the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature relating to standing committees, and recommended the adoption of the Senate Special Committee on Education Committee Substitute offered on page 1718. Signing do pass: Senator McGuire, Chair; Senators French, Stevens. Signing no recommendation: Senators Green, Bunde.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Legislative Agency

The resolution was referred to the Rules Committee.

**Introduction and Reference of
Senate Resolutions**

SJR 16

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 16 BY SENATOR DYSON,

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the
State of Alaska relating to direction and control of the
medical care and treatment of minors.

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

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills**SB 217**

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 217 BY SENATORS WAGONER AND THERRIAULT, Dyson, entitled:

"An Act relating to the power cost reduction program and to the Alaska Energy Council; and providing for an effective date."

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

SB 271

SENATE BILL NO. 271 BY SENATOR DYSON, entitled:

"An Act relating to state employee health plans that give employees the option to select a federally qualified high deductible health plan and requiring employees who select that plan to establish a health savings account."

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

SB 272

SENATE BILL NO. 272 BY SENATOR WIELECHOWSKI, entitled:

"An Act repealing a prohibition against classified state employees participating in management of political parties."

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

SB 273

SENATE BILL NO. 273 BY SENATOR WIELECHOWSKI, entitled:

"An Act relating to cruelty to animals and promoting an exhibition of fighting animals."

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

SB 274

SENATE BILL NO. 274 BY SENATOR WIELECHOWSKI, entitled:

"An Act relating to a public procurement preference for Alaska veterans with service-related disabilities."

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

SB 275

SENATE BILL NO. 275 BY SENATOR DYSON, entitled:

"An Act relating to criminal use of the Internet."

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

SB 276

SENATE BILL NO. 276 BY SENATORS BUNDE, Green, entitled:

"An Act relating to project labor agreements."

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

SB 277

SENATE BILL NO. 277 BY SENATOR OLSON, entitled:

"An Act requiring the commissioner of natural resources to take all action necessary to protect natural resource development as an economically necessary activity and part of the heritage of the state and to take and publicize positions in certain matters."

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

Consideration of the Calendar**Second Reading of Senate Bills****SB 57**

SENATE BILL NO. 57 "An Act relating to hunting in marine park units of the Alaska state park system, amending the area within designated marine park units of the Alaska state park system, and adding marine park units to the Alaska state park system" was read the second time.

Senator Huggins, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Resources Committee Substitute offered on page 1108. Senator Therriault objected, then withdrew his objection. There being no further objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 57(RES) "An Act relating to fishing, hunting, and trapping in marine park units of the Alaska state park system, amending the area within designated marine park units of the Alaska state park system, and adding marine park units to the Alaska state park system" was adopted.

President Green stated the bill will be on the February 19 calendar.

SB 196

SENATE BILL NO. 196 "An Act relating to establishing a controlled substance prescription database" was read the second time.

Senator Stedman, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Finance Committee Substitute offered on page 1882. Without objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 196(FIN) was adopted.

President Green stated the bill will be on the February 19 calendar.

Citations

Honoring – The Homer U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

Representative(s) Seaton

Senator(s) Stevens, Green, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

In Memoriam – Dale Lindsey

Senator(s) Bunde, Green, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

In Memoriam – Marie C. King

Senator(s) Bunde, Green, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

In Memoriam – Gordon Bitner Hinckley

Representative(s) Stoltze, Dahlstrom

Senator(s) Huggins, Dyson, Green, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

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

Unfinished Business

HB 121

The reconsideration on SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 121(FIN) "An Act relating to release of information in individual workers' compensation records; and providing for an effective date" was not taken up this legislative day and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

Senator Stedman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from noon plane time, March 4 through 2:00 p.m. plane time, March 8; and from plane time, February 16 through plane time, February 17. Without objection, Senator Stedman was excused.

Senator Wielechowski moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from February 16 through morning plane time, February 18; and on February 25 to morning plane time. Without objection, Senator Wielechowski was excused.

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from afternoon plane time, February 21 through morning plane time, February 25. Without objection, Senator Stevens was excused.

Senator French moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on February 18 to morning plane time. Without objection, Senator French was excused.

SB 202

Senators Elton, Ellis, French moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on SENATE BILL NO. 202 "An Act relating to expenditures in aid of or to implement the provisions of the federal Real ID Act." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Announcements**SB 239**

Senator Davis, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent that Uniform Rule 23 be waived on SENATE BILL NO. 239 "An Act relating to the practice of dentistry and to dental assistants" for the Health, Education and Social Services Committee meeting on February 15. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Engrossment**HB 121**

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 121(FIN) "An Act relating to release of information in individual workers' compensation records; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed.

Adjournment

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 10:45 a.m., February 19, 2008. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

Kirsten Waid
Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Feb 19	Tuesday	Beltz 211	3:30 PM
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

Feb 21	Thursday	Beltz 211	3:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

FINANCE

Feb 15	Friday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+ SB 240	EDUCATION FUNDING		
+ HB 273	EDUCATION FUNDING		
	<Pending Referral>		
	<Bill Hearing Postponed>		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

Feb 16	Saturday	Senate Finance 532	10:00 AM
	-- MEETING CANCELED --		
+	Presentation:		
	Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority		
	Housing Trust, Bring the Kids Home		
	Initiative, Crime, and Recidivism		

Feb 18	Monday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

FINANCE (continued)**Feb 19 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**

- + SB 101 GUARDIANSHIP AND CONSERVATORS
- + SB 158 SHIRLEY DEMIENTIEFF MEMORIAL BRIDGE
- + SB 231 LOW-INCOME HOUSING; HOMELESSNESS
- + SB 233 TEACHERS/HEALTH CARE PROFESS HOUSING LOAN
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 20 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- + SB 170 INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR WELL-BABY EXAMS
- + SB 226 VEXATIOUS LITIGANTS
- + SB 247 MISSING PERSONS
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 21 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- + SB 201 PUBLIC FINANCE WEBSITE
- + SB 122 MUNICIPAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION
- + SB 204 MUNI TAX EXEMPTION; COMBAT DEATHS
- + HB 67 MUNICIPAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 22 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- + SB 230 FILM OFFICE/ FILM PRODUCTION TAX CREDIT
- + SB 249 CAPSTONE AVIONICS FUND/LOANS
- + HB 61 TAX CREDIT FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO VOC ED
- + HB 226 REPEAL TERMINATION OF STEP PROGRAM
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES**Feb 15 Friday Capitol 106 1:30 PM**

- + Joint with House HES
- Presentation: Bring the Kids Home
- Following the Presentation,
- Senate HES Meeting in the Butrovich Room
- = SB 239 DENTISTS & DENTAL ASSISTANTS
- <Bill Hearing Continued from 02/13/08>
- Uniform Rule 23 Waived

HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES (continued)

Feb 18 Monday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 + SB 117 WORKERS' COMP: DISEASE PRESUMPTION
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 = SB 160 MANDATORY UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Feb 20 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 = SB 245 HEALTH CARE: PLAN/COMMISSION/FACILITIES
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Feb 21 Thursday Capitol 106 3:00 PM
 Joint with House HESS and Special
 Committee on Education
 Civic Education Taskforce Final Report

Feb 22 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY

Feb 15 Friday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 + HB 197 TRUSTS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 18 Monday Capitol 120 1:00 PM
 + Joint with House Judiciary
 Confirmation Hearings:
 Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar
 Commission on Judicial Conduct
 Alaska Public Offices Commission
 Violent Crime Compensation Board

Feb 20 Wednesday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 + HB 25 RECREATIONAL LAND USE LIABILITY/ADV. POSS
 + HB 182 OFFERING PROMOTIONAL CHECKS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 22 Friday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 + SB 234 CRIMINAL LAW/PROCEDURE: OMNIBUS BILL
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

Feb 16 Saturday Beltz 211 1:30 PM

-- MEETING CANCELED --

+ HJR 25 SUPPORTING RIGHT TO FORM LABOR UNIONS

<Above Item Removed from Agenda>

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

+ HB 226 REPEAL TERMINATION OF STEP PROGRAM

<Above Item Removed from Agenda>

Feb 19 Tuesday Beltz 211 1:30 PM

+ SB 149 REDISTRIBUTION OF USED EYEGLASSES

+ SB 209 EXTEND ALASKA COMMISSION ON AGING

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 21 Thursday Beltz 211 1:30 PM

+ HB 196 HANDLING MATTERS AFTER A PERSON'S DEATH

+ HJR 16 OPPOSING MILK TAX

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 23 Saturday Beltz 211 1:30 PM

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

RESOURCES

Feb 15 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

+ Presentation: AGIA Applicant

AENERGIA

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

+ SB 248 SALMON PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDIT

Feb 16 Saturday Butrovich 205 11:00 AM

+ SB 253 BOARD OF GAME

+ SB 229 TANANA VALLEY FOREST/MINTO FLATS REFUGE

+ SB 237 MGMT OF SUSTAINABLE SALMON FISHERIES

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 18 Monday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

+ HB 165 BIG GAME GUIDES AND TRANSPORTERS

+ SB 176 ACTIVE GAME MANAGEMENT/AIRBORNE SHOOTING

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

RESOURCES (continued)

Feb 20	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+= SB 246	SUSITNA HYDRO WORKING GROUP; REPORT		
+ HB 315	EXTEND BIG GAME COMMERCIAL SERVICES BOARD		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Feb 22	Friday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Feb 25	Monday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+	Presentation: AGIA Applicant		
	Alaska Natural Gas Development Authority		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

RULES

Feb 18	Monday	Beltz 211	11:00 AM
SB 119	SCHOOL LIBRARY GRANTS		

STATE AFFAIRS

Feb 19	Tuesday	Beltz 211	9:00 AM
+= SB 185	SEX OFFENDER/CHILD KIDNAPPER REGISTRATION		
+= SB 202	PROHIBIT STATE SPENDING FOR REAL ID ACT		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Feb 21	Thursday	Beltz 211	9:00 AM
+ SB 232	NAT'L GUARD: COMMAND/ACTIVE SERVICE/PAY		
+ HB 15	BOARD OF FISHERIES CONFLICTS OF INTEREST		
+ HB 260	STATE OFFICERS COMPENSATION COMMISSION		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

TRANSPORTATION

Feb 19	Tuesday	Butrovich 205	1:00 PM
+ SB 190	MINORS TRAVELING ALONE BY AIR		
+ SB 189	APPROP.: BRIDGES, SERVICE ROADS, TRAILS		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

TRANSPORTATION (continued)

Feb 21 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:00 PM
 + SB 265 SEX OFFENDERS, KIDNAPPERS DRIVERS LICENSE
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES**ADMINISTRATION**

Feb 19 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 3:00 PM
 + Overview: Governor's Amendments
 Q & A

Mar 10 Monday Senate Finance 532 4:00 PM
 + -- MEETING CANCELED --
 Budget Close-out

Mar 11 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 3:30 PM
 + Budget Close-out

COMMERCE, COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEV

Feb 15 Friday House Finance 519 12:15 PM
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 Joint with House
 FY09 Budget Request

EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT

Feb 15 Friday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM
 FY09 Budget Overview

Feb 29 Friday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM
 FY09 Budget Overview

Mar 07 Friday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 FY09 Budget Overview

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)**EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT (continued)**

Mar 12	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	12:00 PM
	FY09 Budget Overview		

GOVERNOR

Mar 12	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	3:00 PM
	Close-out Meeting		

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Feb 28	Thursday	Fahrenkamp 203	8:00 AM
+	Department Budget - Questions & Answers		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		

Mar 06	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	12:30 PM
+	Department Budget Close-out		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		

LAW

Feb 19	Tuesday	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM
	Budget Overview		

Feb 26	Tuesday	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM
	Budget Detail		

Mar 04	Tuesday	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM
	Budget Detail		

Mar 11	Tuesday	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM
	Close-out		

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)**LEGISLATURE**

Mar 12	Wednesday Close-out Meeting	Senate Finance 532	3:30 PM
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MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

Feb 29	Friday FY09 Budget Close-out	Fahrenkamp 203	12:30 PM
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Mar 05	Wednesday -- MEETING CANCELED -- FY09 DMVA Budget Close-out	Fahrenkamp 203	1:00 PM
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NATURAL RESOURCES

Feb 19 +	Tuesday FY09 Budget Overview	Fahrenkamp 203	4:00 PM
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Feb 26	Tuesday FY09 Budget Overview	Fahrenkamp 203	4:00 PM
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Mar 04	Tuesday -- MEETING CANCELED -- FY09 Budget Close-out	Fahrenkamp 203	4:00 PM
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Mar 11	Tuesday FY09 Budget Overview	Fahrenkamp 203	4:00 PM
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PUBLIC SAFETY

Feb 19 +	Tuesday Department Budget - Questions & Answers -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --	Fahrenkamp 203	8:00 AM
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Mar 04 +	Tuesday Department Budget Close-out -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --	Fahrenkamp 203	8:00 AM
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FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)**REVENUE**

Feb 21	Thursday	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM
	Budget Overview: Department of Revenue		
Feb 28	Thursday	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM
	Budget Detail		
Mar 06	Thursday	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM
	Budget Detail		
Mar 13	Thursday	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM
	Close-out		

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA

Feb 21	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	7:30 AM
	Budget Overview: University of Alaska		

SPECIAL COMMITTEES**SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

Feb 15	Friday	Butrovich 205	8:00 AM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Feb 16	Saturday	Butrovich 205	10:00 AM
	-- MEETING CANCELED -- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Feb 20	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	8:00 AM
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled Including But Not Limited to:		
+= SCR 16	EDUCATION FUNDING/COST FACTOR COMMISSION		
Feb 22	Friday	Butrovich 205	8:00 AM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

SPECIAL COMMITTEES (continued)**SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION (continued)**

Feb 23	Saturday	Butrovich 205	10:00 AM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

JOINT COMMITTEES**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT**

Feb 20	Wednesday	House Finance 519	8:30 AM
	Audit Request		
	Contracts		
	Preliminary Audit-		
	FY07 Statewide Single Audit		
	Other Committee Business		

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SB 125**

Feb 20	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	8:00 AM
SB 125	PERS/TRS CONTRIBUT'NS;UNFUNDED LIABILITY		

OTHER MEETINGS**JOINT LEGISLATIVE HEALTH CAUCUS**

Mar 19	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	12:00 PM
	Measuring Success: Improving Health Indicators		

JOINT SESSION

Feb 19	Tuesday	House Chamber	11:00 AM
	Annual Address by the Honorable Ted Stevens, U.S. Senator		

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JOINT SESSION (continued)

Mar 18	Tuesday	House Chamber	11:00 AM
	-- Date Change --		
	Annual Address by the Honorable Lisa Murkowski, U.S. Senator		

MAJORITY CAUCUS

Feb 15	Friday	Butrovich 205	10:00 AM
+	SENATE MAJORITY OPEN CAUCUS		
	Presentation:		
	by Special Agent Flint Waters		
	Child Sexual Exploitation & the Internet		