

Juneau, Alaska

Thursday

August 7, 2008

Thirtieth Day

Senator Kookesh led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

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

Messages from the Governor

Executive Proclamation

Under the authority of art. II, sec. 9, and art. III, sec. 17 of the Alaska Constitution, and in the public interest, I am supplementing my proclamation of July 1, 2008 concerning the fourth special session of the Twenty-Fifth Legislature of the State of Alaska with the addition of the following subjects:

1. statutory changes relating to the bulk fuel revolving loan fund and bulk fuel bridge loan fund and program; and
2. making appropriations relating to the subjects set out in this supplemental proclamation.

This proclamation supplements my proclamation of July 1, 2008.

Dated this 7th day of August, 2008.

/s/

Sarah Palin, Governor

Messages from the House

Concur Messages

SB 4002

Message dated August 7 was read, stating the House passed and returned for consideration CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 4002(FIN) am "An Act relating to grants from the renewable energy grant fund; amending the bulk fuel bridge loan fund and the bulk fuel revolving

loan fund; amending the power cost equalization program, repealing the exclusion from eligibility for power cost equalization for certain power projects that take their power from hydroelectric facilities, and amending the definition of 'eligible electric utility' as it applies to the power cost equalization program and the grant program for small power projects for utility improvements; relating to establishing a gas pipeline development fund in the Department of Revenue; establishing the Alaska resource rebate program and relating to that program; relating to heating assistance; and providing for an effective date" with the following amendments:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO.
4002(FIN) am H "An Act amending the bulk fuel
bridge loan fund and the bulk fuel revolving loan
fund; relating to power cost equalization; relating to
Alaska resource rebates, and increasing the amount
of the 2008 permanent fund dividend to provide that
rebate; suspending the motor fuel tax; eliminating the
authority to make certain provisions of the heating
assistance program retroactive to November 1, 2007;
and providing for an effective date."
(Title change HCR 401)

Senator Ellis moved that the Senate concur in the House amendments.

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

HCS CSSB 4002(FIN) am H
Shall the Senate Concur in the House amendments
to CSSB 4002(FIN) am?

YEAS: 11 NAYS: 5 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Davis, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, Olson,
Stevens, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Nays: Dyson, French, Green, McGuire, Stedman

Excused: Bunde, Therriault, Wilken

Absent: Cowdery

and so, the Senate concurred in the House amendments, thus adopting
HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 4002(FIN) am H.

Senator Ellis moved for the adoption of the effective date clauses.

The question being: "Shall the effective date clauses be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 4002(FIN) am H

Effective Date Clauses

YEAS: 16 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Excused: Bunde, Therriault, Wilken

Absent: Cowdery

and so, the effective date clauses were adopted.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

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

**First Reading and Reference of
House Resolutions**

HCR 401

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 401 BY THE HOUSE
FINANCE COMMITTEE,

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e),
Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature,
concerning Senate Bill No. 4002, relating to grants
from the renewable energy grant fund; amending the
bulk fuel bridge loan fund and the bulk fuel revolving
loan fund; amending the power cost equalization
program, repealing the exclusion from eligibility for
power cost equalization for certain power projects
that take their power from hydroelectric facilities,

and amending the definition of "eligible electric utility" as it applies to the power cost equalization program and the grant program for small power projects for utility improvements; relating to establishing a gas pipeline development fund in the Department of Revenue; establishing the Alaska resource rebate program and relating to that program; and relating to heating assistance.

was read the first time and was before the Senate on final passage.

The question being: "Shall HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 401 Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning Senate Bill No. 4002, relating to grants from the renewable energy grant fund; amending the bulk fuel bridge loan fund and the bulk fuel revolving loan fund; amending the power cost equalization program, repealing the exclusion from eligibility for power cost equalization for certain power projects that take their power from hydroelectric facilities, and amending the definition of "eligible electric utility" as it applies to the power cost equalization program and the grant program for small power projects for utility improvements; relating to establishing a gas pipeline development fund in the Department of Revenue; establishing the Alaska resource rebate program and relating to that program; and relating to heating assistance, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCR 401

Final Passage

YEAS: 14 NAYS: 2 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, Olson, Stevens, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Nays: McGuire, Stedman

Excused: Bunde, Therriault, Wilken

Absent: Cowdery

and so, HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 401 passed the Senate, was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

Standing Committee Reports**HB 4001**

The Finance Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4001(FIN) "An Act making supplemental appropriations, capital appropriations, and other appropriations; making appropriations to capitalize funds; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL
NO. 4001(FIN)

Signing amend: Senators Stedman, Hoffman, Cochairs; Senator Thomas. Signing do pass: Senator Elton. Signing do not pass: Senator Dyson. Signing no recommendation: Senators Olson, Huggins.

The bill is on today's calendar.

Consideration of the Calendar**Second Reading of House Bills****HB 4001**

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4001(FIN) "An Act making supplemental appropriations, capital appropriations, and other appropriations; making appropriations to capitalize funds; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Stedman, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Finance Senate Committee Substitute offered on page 3285. Senator Dyson objected.

The question being: "Shall the Finance Senate Committee Substitute be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 4001(FIN)

Second Reading

Adopt Finance Senate Committee Substitute?

YEAS: 14 NAYS: 2 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Davis, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Nays: Dyson, Thomas

Excused: Bunde, Therriault, Wilken

Absent: Cowdery

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4001(FIN) was adopted.

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the bill be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Without objection, it was so ordered.

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4001(FIN) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4001(FIN) "An Act making supplemental appropriations, capital appropriations, and other appropriations; making appropriations to capitalize funds; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 4001(FIN)

Third Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 11 NAYS: 5 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Davis, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, Olson, Stevens, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Nays: Dyson, French, Green, McGuire, Stedman

Excused: Bunde, Therriault, Wilken

Absent: Cowdery

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4001(FIN) passed the Senate.

Senator Ellis moved for the adoption of the effective date clause.

The question being: "Shall the effective date clause be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 4001(FIN)

Effective Date Clause

YEAS: 14 NAYS: 2 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, Olson, Stevens, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Nays: McGuire, Stedman

Excused: Bunde, Therriault, Wilken

Absent: Cowdery

and so, the effective date clause was adopted and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

The presence of Senator Bunde was noted.

Unfinished Business

Senator French moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from August 8 through September 1. Without objection, Senator French was excused.

Senator Bunde moved and asked unanimous consent to withdraw his prior excusal (page 3281). Without objection, Senator Bunde was shown as present.

Senator Thomas moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from plane time, August 9 through plane time, December 10. Without objection, Senator Thomas was excused.

HB 171

President Green appointed members to participate in preparing the following:

Report on 90-Day Regular Session

Senator Elton

Senator Huggins

Senator Wagoner

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Engrossment**HB 4001**

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4001(FIN) "An Act making supplemental appropriations, capital appropriations, and other appropriations; making appropriations to capitalize funds; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

Adjournment

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the Fourth Special Session of the Twenty-fifth Alaska State Senate stand in adjournment sine die. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Kirsten Waid
Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

FINANCE

Aug 07 Thursday Senate Finance 532 4:00 PM

-- Recessed to a Call of the Chair --

+ SB4001 APPROP: SUPP/CAP/OTHER RELATED TO AGIA

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+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JOINT COMMITTEES**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

Aug 07 Thursday Senate Finance 532 3:00 PM

-- MEETING CANCELED --

+ Late Per Diem Claim

Award of ITB 453 - General Contractor for
Capitol Annex Remodel