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Forty-ninth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Chenault at 11:01 a.m.

Roll call showed 35 members present. Representatives Gatto, Hawker, Johnson, and Saddler had been excused from a call of the House today. Representative Herron was absent and his presence was noted later.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, the Reverend Keith Anderson of First Lutheran Church, Ketchikan. Representative P. Wilson 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.

Gracious God:

We are blessed to live in America, a country unlike any other in the world; we are blessed to live in Alaska, a state unlike any of the others. You have given us this place of beauty, vast resources of land, minerals, wildlife of various types, mountains, streams, and wide open tundra—even a temperate rain forest. May you work through the efforts of all who gather here today to lead and guide us in being good stewards of all that is before us.

We ask for a spirit of discernment and wisdom as information is put forth and decisions are made. We ask for patience and understanding as differences of opinions emerge. Remove the roadblocks from our path so that regardless of the nature of a problem, those on all sides might work towards that which is best for everyone.

In your holy name we pray. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Keller.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Austerman moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, and 48th legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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Representative Edgmon introduced his son, Evan Edgmon, Guest Page, from Dillingham.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message dated February 28, 2011, was read stating the Senate passed the following, and it is transmitted for consideration:

FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF SENATE BILLS

SB 3

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 3(FIN) by the Senate Finance Committee, entitled:

"An Act providing for funding for school lunch and breakfast; and providing for an effective date."

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**HB 110**

The Resources Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 110

"An Act relating to the interest rate applicable to certain amounts due for fees, taxes, and payments made and property delivered to the Department of Revenue; relating to the oil and gas production tax rate; relating to monthly installment payments of estimated oil and gas production tax; relating to oil and gas production tax credits for certain expenditures, including qualified capital credits for exploration, development, and production; relating to the limitation on assessment of oil and gas production taxes; relating to the determination of oil and gas production tax values; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 110(RES)

"An Act relating to the interest rate applicable to certain amounts due for fees, taxes, and payments made and property delivered to the Department of Revenue; relating to the oil and gas production tax rate; relating to monthly installment payments of estimated oil and gas production tax; relating to oil and gas production tax credits, including qualified capital credits for exploration, development, and production; relating to certain additional nontransferable oil and gas production tax credits; relating to the determination of oil and gas production tax values; relating to the disclosure of certain tax information; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Feige and Seaton, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (1): Feige

Do not pass (2): Gardner, Kawasaki

No recommendation (4): Foster, Munoz, Dick, Herron

Amend (2): P. Wilson, Seaton

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 110(RES):

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Revenue
2. Zero, Dept. of Natural Resources

HB 110 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 – AWARE Women of Distinction
By Representatives Kerttula, Munoz; Senator Egan

Honoring – Ashton Lund
By Senator Menard

Honoring – Zachary Boyd
By Senator Menard

In Memoriam – Paul Robert Kiunya, Sr.
By Senator Hoffman; Representative Herron

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HJR 17

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17 by the House Community and Regional Affairs Committee:

Urging the United States Congress to pass legislation concerning regulation of drinking water and wastewater treatment by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

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

**The presence of Representative Herron was noted.

HJR 18

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18 by Representatives Gatto, Chenault, and Stoltze:

Relating to the case of U.S. v. Hasan and to the decision of the Judge Advocate General of the United States Army with respect to that case.

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

HJR 19

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 19 by the House Special Committee on Economic Development, Trade, and Tourism:

Urging the United States Senate to ratify the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Economic Development, Trade, & Tourism and the Resources Committee.

**INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE
OF HOUSE BILLS****HB 176**

HOUSE BILL NO. 176 by Representatives Miller and Thompson, entitled:

"An Act relating to an allowable absence for members of the Civilian Expeditionary Workforce of the United States Department of Defense for purposes of determining eligibility for permanent fund dividends; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 177

HOUSE BILL NO. 177 by Representatives Gara, Petersen, and Kawasaki, entitled:

"An Act requiring a public report on the profits realized in the state by oil producers."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor & Commerce, Judiciary, and Finance Committees.

HB 178

HOUSE BILL NO. 178 by Representatives Thomas, Feige, and Tuck, entitled:

"An Act relating to election practices and procedures; and providing for an effective date."

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

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR**LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS**

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

In Memoriam - Patrick Karl Lynn

By Representatives Feige, Chenault, Cissna, Costello, Dick, Doogan, Edgmon, Fairclough, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Herron, Holmes, Johnson, Joule, Kawasaki, Keller, Kerttula, Lynn, Miller, Millett, Munoz, Neuman, Olson, Petersen, Pruitt, Saddler, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Thompson, Tuck, P. Wilson, T. Wilson

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Austerman 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 Joule – from noon, March 9 to 9:30 p.m., March 10

Representative Pruitt – from 5:00 p.m., March 11 to 9:30 p.m., March 13

HB 49

Representative Munoz added her name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 49

"An Act establishing in the Department of Education and Early Development a voluntary parent and early childhood education program for pre-elementary aged children."

HB 174

Representatives Fairclough and P. Wilson added their names as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 174

"An Act relating to the period in which a permit authorizing activities in the state related to mineral resources, oil or gas, or transportation projects is valid when activities authorized by the permit have been stayed by a court or administrative order."

SB 3

Representatives Kawasaki, Petersen, and Kerttula added their names as cross sponsors to:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 3(FIN)

"An Act providing for funding for school lunch and breakfast; and providing for an effective date."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Austerman moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., March 9, 2011. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

Suzi Lowell
Chief Clerk