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Fourth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Chenault at 10:33 a.m.

Roll call showed 38 members present. Representative Holmes had been excused from a call of the House today. Representative Joule was absent and his presence was noted later.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, The Most Reverend Edward J. Burns, Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Juneau. Representative Gruenberg moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Good and gracious God, you are the author of all life—human and divine. We give praise and thanks to you for the wonderful ways in which you have created us and established your majesty in all of creation—through the beauty of nature and through the strength of your arm manifested by your powerful works.

We ask that you bless the members of the House of Representatives of the State of Alaska. May they continue throughout this legislative session to do your will and work for the common good. Infuse in them your spirit of wisdom, strength and grace. May they always know the great responsibility of their public service for the people of the great state of Alaska. Bless their endeavors and give success to the good work they do. Guide them and always keep their families under the shelter of your love and protection.

We ask this in your Holy Name and to your great glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Costello.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Austerman moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the second and third legislative days and Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 9 be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following were received:

Dept. of Health & Social Services
Annual Report
Fiscal Year 2011

Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities
Alaska Marine Highway System Fund
Annual Financial Report
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011
(as required by AS 19.65.070)

The following was received January 19, 2012:

Local Boundary Commission
Statement of Decision
City of Gustavus Annexation
(pursuant to art. X, sec. 12, Constitution of the State of Alaska)

The Speaker referred the Statement of Decision to the Community & Regional Affairs Committee.

The Statement of Decision will be published in House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 10.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**HB 216**

The State Affairs Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 216

"An Act relating to deadlines in bills directing the adoption of regulations and to the informative summary required for the proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal of a regulation."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 216(STA)
(same title)

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

Do pass (2): P. Wilson, Lynn

Amend (4): Keller, Gruenberg, Seaton, Petersen

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 216(STA):

1. Indeterminate, Office of the Governor/All Depts.

HB 216 was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

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

Honoring - Jim Nygaard, 2012 Alaska Superintendent of the Year
By Representative Thomas; Senator Kookesh

Honoring - Cara Heitz, 2012 Alaska Teacher of the Year
By Representative Thomas; Senator Kookesh

Honoring - Beatriz Abella, Award-Winning Performer at Carnegie Hall

By Representatives Munoz, Kerttula; Senator Egan

Honoring - City of Kake, 100 Year Anniversary, January 8, 2012

By Representative Thomas; Senator Kookesh

Honoring - City of Hydaburg, 100 Year Anniversary, November 26, 2012

By Representative Thomas; Senator Kookesh

Honoring - Steven C. Borell

By Senator Giessel; Representative Hawker

Honoring - Marilyn Crockett

By Senator Giessel; Representative Hawker

Honoring - Marlys Tedin

By Senator Stedman; Representative P. Wilson

Honoring - Rabbit Creek Elementary School

By Senator Giessel; Representative Lynn

In Memoriam - Lawrence James Albecker

By Representative Thomas; Senator Kookesh

In Memoriam - Harold "Hap" Symmonds

By Representative Thomas; Senator Kookesh

In Memoriam - Peter Kent Lapham

By Representative Thomas; Senator Kookesh

In Memoriam - William C. "Bill" Noll

By Representatives Johnson, Pruitt

In Memoriam - Ben Grussendorf

By Senator Stedman; Representative P. Wilson

In Memoriam - Henry Clay Keene, Jr.

By Senator Stedman; Representative Johansen

In Memoriam - Grant H. Forsythe
By Senator Giessel; Representative Lynn

In Memoriam - Carroll George Fader
By Senator Stedman; Representative Johansen

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 77

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 77 by
Representatives GRUENBERG, CISSNA, and KAWASAKI, entitled:

"An Act establishing a top two nonpartisan blanket primary election system for elective state executive and state and national legislative offices; changing appointment procedures relating to precinct watchers and members of precinct election boards, election district absentee and questioned ballot counting boards, and the Alaska Public Offices Commission; requiring certain written notices to appear in election pamphlets and polling places; relating to declarations of candidacy and letters of intent; and amending the definition of 'political party.'"

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

HB 190

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 190 by
Representatives Feige, Chenault, Herron, P. Wilson, Johnson, and Munoz, entitled:

"An Act relating to allowable absences 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 Finance Committees.

HB 251

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 251 by Representatives DICK and JOULE, entitled:

"An Act relating to the Board of Veterinary Examiners and the practice of veterinary medicine."

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

HB 291

HOUSE BILL NO. 291 by the House Rules Committee by request of the Legislative Council, entitled:

"An Act relating to the posting of notices at United States post offices; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 292

HOUSE BILL NO. 292 by Representative Thompson, entitled:

"An Act relating to property exemptions for retirement plans; relating to pleadings, orders, liability, and notices under the Uniform Probate Code; relating to the Alaska Principal and Income Act; relating to the Alaska Uniform Transfers to Minors Act; relating to the disposition of human remains; relating to insurable interests for life insurance policies; relating to transfers of individual retirement plans; relating to the community property of married persons; and amending Rule 301(a), Alaska Rules of Evidence."

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

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR**LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS**

Representative Austerman 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 - Tina Kobayashi

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

Honoring - Alaska Power Association, Inc.

By Representatives Millett, Chenault, Cissna, Costello, Dick, Edgmon, Fairclough, Feige, Foster, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Herron, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Joule, Kawasaki, Keller, Kerttula, Lynn, Miller, 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 Kawasaki – from 6:00 p.m., today to 10:30 a.m., January 23

Representative Chenault – from 11:30 a.m., today to 9:30 a.m., January 22

Representative Gara – from 6:00 p.m., February 17 to 10:30 a.m., February 22 (amended from page 1362)

**The presence of Representative Joule was noted.

HB 131

Representative Kawasaki added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 131

"An Act establishing the Alaska Community and Public Transportation Advisory Board and relating to a long-range community and public transportation plan; and providing for an effective date."

HB 182

Representative Lynn added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 182

"An Act relating to distribution of annual reports by state agencies."

HB 216

Representative Lynn added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 216

"An Act relating to deadlines in bills directing the adoption of regulations and to the informative summary required for the proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal of a regulation."

HB 290

Representative P. Wilson added her name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 290

"An Act creating the endow Alaska grant program in the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development to encourage community development."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Austerman moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 11:00 a.m., January 23, 2012. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

Suzi Lowell
Chief Clerk