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Juneau, Alaska

Friday

March 11, 2011

Fifty-third Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 10:02 a.m.

The roll showed nineteen members present. Senator Olson was excused from a call of the Senate.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Dr. Paul Beran, Pastor Emeritus of Resurrection Lutheran Church. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

> Gracious Father, we pray for the people and nation of Japan. Take this earthquake tragedy into your molding hands, and by your grace, cause even good to come out of it.

> We have come into this hallowed hall from many backgrounds; varied regions; and unique experiences. We have walked our journeys of life, sometimes with poise, and other times stumbling. Thank You for each person here. Give us the patience to deeply listen to one another, not that we might refute, but that we might better understand. Then with understanding, help us to give wise leadership to Alaska and all her special people. This I pray in the matchless name of the one who came, not to be served, but to serve, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Senator French led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the fifty-first and fifty-second legislative days and House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 4 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the House

Message dated March 10 was read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 108

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 108(FIN) BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs, capitalizing funds, amending appropriations, and making reappropriations; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 109

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 109(FIN) BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

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

Communications

The following reports are on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate:

Alaska Seismic Hazards Safety Commission Report to the Governor and State Legislature, February 2011 from John L. Aho, Chair, Alaska Seismic Hazards Safety Commission in accordance with AS 44.37.067

Alaska Salmon Fisheries Enhancement Program 2010 Annual Report from Bruce White, Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Commercial Fisheries

Standing Committee Reports

Report dated March 9 was read stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Judiciary Committee reviewed the following and recommends the appointments be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar

William Granger

State Board of Parole Daniel Morris

Alaska Police Standards Council

Kelly Alzaharna Rebecca Hamon Bernice Troglio

This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the confirmation of the individuals during any further sessions.

Signing the report: Senator French, Chair; Senators Coghill, Wielechowski, Paskvan, McGuire.

Report dated March 10 was read stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Transportation Committee reviewed the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Commissioner - Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

Marc Luiken

This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the confirmation of the individual during any further sessions.

Signing the report: Senator Kookesh, Chair; Senators Egan, Thomas, Menard, Huggins.

SB 61

The Judiciary Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 61 "An Act making corrective amendments to the Alaska Statutes as recommended by the revisor of statutes; and providing for an effective date" and recommended the adoption of the State Affairs Committee Substitute offered on page 315.

Signing do pass: Senator French, Chair; Senators Wielechowski, McGuire. Signing no recommendation: Senator Coghill.

The following previously published fiscal information applies: Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Law

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 87

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 87 "An Act establishing a program in the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development for payment of grants to health care providers for care of patients who are 65 years of age or older." Signing do pass: Senator Egan, Chair; Senators Davis, Paskvan, Menard. Signing do not pass: Senator Giessel.

The following fiscal information was published today:

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

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills

SB 82

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 82 BY SENATOR DAVIS, entitled:

"An Act relating to the procedures and jurisdiction of the Department of Health and Social Services for the care of children who are in state custody; relating to court jurisdiction and findings pertaining to children who are in state custody; and modifying the licensing requirements for foster care."

was read the first time and referred to the Health and Social Services and Judiciary Committees.

SB 97

SENATE BILL NO. 97 BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act authorizing additional appropriations for public education and for community revenue sharing based on the price of Alaska North Slope crude oil, and adjusting the formula for payments to communities."

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

SB 98

SENATE BILL NO. 98 BY SENATORS WIELECHOWSKI, Coghill, Ellis, Menard, McGuire, Giessel, Egan, Paskvan, Thomas, entitled:

"An Act relating to biometric information."

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

Consideration of the Calendar

Citations

Honoring - Kinross Fort Knox Mine

Senator(s) Thomas, Paskvan, Coghill, Stevens, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Stedman, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Representative(s) Miller, Guttenberg, Kawasaki, Thompson, Wilson, T

Honoring - Raymond Jensen, Career and Technical Education Secondary Instructor of the Year

Senator(s) Menard, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring - Aware Women of Distinction

Representative(s) Kerttula, Munoz

Senator(s) Egan, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring - The Bristol Bay Area Pilots and First Responders Following the Tragedy of August 9, 2010

Representative(s) Edgmon

Senator(s) Hoffman, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, French, Ellis, Giessel, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring - Alyeska Pipeline Service Company Representative(s) Feige Senator(s) Coghill, Stevens, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring - West Anchorage High Football Team, 2010 4A Alaska State Champions

Representative(s) Holmes

Senator(s) French, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring - Iron Dog Champions, Tyler Huntington and Chris Olds Representative(s) Dick, Fairclough Senator(s) Kookesh, Dyson, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Charlie Crow

Senator(s) Kookesh, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski Representative(s) Dick

In Memoriam - Everett Wilbur Stone, Jr. Senator(s) Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski Representative(s) Austerman

In Memoriam - Thomas Raymond Quick Senator(s) Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Representative(s) Austerman

In Memoriam - Stephen Kreber Senator(s) Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski Representative(s) Austerman

In Memoriam - Kathryn Anna Maughan Pyrah Representative(s) Stoltze Senator(s) Huggins, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Homer Lee Mayo Representative(s) Neuman, Stoltze, Gatto, Keller Senator(s) Huggins, Menard, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski In Memoriam - Waureen L. "Donnie" Darilek Representative(s) Neuman, Stoltze, Gatto, Keller Senator(s) Huggins, Menard, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Senator Meyer 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

Senator Dyson moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from 1:00 p.m. plane time, March 18 through evening plane time, March 21. Without objection, Senator Dyson was excused.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from 1:00 p.m. plane time, March 18 through morning plane time, March 21. Without objection, Senator Giessel was excused.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., March 14, 2011. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

Kirsten Waid Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

Americans with Disabilities Act Notice - Persons with disabilities who require special accommodation or alternative communication formats to access committee meetings may contact the appropriate committee office or the Legislative Information Office in their community. Reasonable advance notice is needed to accommodate the request. For further information, call the ADA Coordinator at 465-3854 Voice/465-4980 TDD.

STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Mar 15	Tuesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+ SB 96	APPLICATION OF VILL	AGE SAFE WATER ACT	
+	Bills Previously Heard/Sci	heduled	
Mar 17	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+	Bills Previously Heard/Sci	heduled	
Mar 22	Tuesday No Meeting Scheduled	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
Mar 24	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:00 PM
+	Planning for Alaska's Reg	ional Ports and Harbors	
Mar 29 +	Tuesday Price of Oil's Impact to Sta Governments	Beltz 105 (tsbldg) ate and Municipal	3:00 PM
Mar 31 +	Thursday Confirmation Hearing: Susan Bell, Commissioner Community and Economic	Beltz 105 (tsbldg) , Department of Commerce, c Development	3:30 PM

EDUCATION

Mar 11	Friday	Terry Miller Gym	8:00 AM
	Location Change		
	Joint House/Senate Ed	ucation Committee Meeting	
+	Presentation:	_	
	Higher Education and	Career Readiness Task Force	

EDUCATION (continued)

Mar 14 += SB 84 += SB 6 +			
Mar 16 +	Wednesday Presentation: Fetal Alcohol Spectrum	Beltz 105 (tsbldg) Disorders in the Schools	8:00 AM
Mar 18 +	Friday Joint Meeting with Hous Presentation: Board of Education and	Early Development	8:00 AM
	FINA	ANCE	
Mar 11 +	Friday MEETING CANCELI Bills Previously Heard/S		9:00 AM
Mar 14 += SB 46 +	Monday BUDGET: CAPITAL Agency Overviews Bills Previously Heard/S	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
Mar 14 += SB 46 +	Monday BUDGET: CAPITAL Agency Overviews Bills Previously Heard/S	Senate Finance 532	1:00 PM
Mar 15 += SB 46 +	Tuesday BUDGET: CAPITAL Agency Overviews Bills Previously Heard/S	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
Mar 15	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	1:00 PM
Mar 15 += SB 46 +	Tuesday BUDGET: CAPITAL Agency Overviews Bills Previously Heard/S	Senate Finance 532	3:00 PM

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FINANCE (continued)

Mar 16 += SB 46 +	Wednesday BUDGET: CAPITAL Agency Overviews Bills Previously Heard/S	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
Mar 16 += SB 46 +	Wednesday BUDGET: CAPITAL Agency Overviews Bills Previously Heard/S	Senate Finance 532	1:00 PM
Mar 17 += SB 46 +	Thursday BUDGET: CAPITAL Agency Overviews Bills Previously Heard/S	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
Mar 17 += SB 46 +	Thursday -Statewide Public Testir BUDGET: CAPITAL Bills Previously Heard/S	·	5:00 PM
Mar 18 += SB 46 +	Friday BUDGET: CAPITAL Agency Overviews Bills Previously Heard/S	Senate Finance 532 Scheduled	9:00 AM
	HEALTH & SO	CIAL SERVICES	
Mar 11	Friday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
Mar 14 + HB 21 + SCR 1 + SB 82	LUPUS AWARENESS	SING/STATE CUSTODY	1:30 PM
Mar 16 + SB 15 + SB 8		Beltz 105 (tsbldg) ERAGE ALCOHOL OFFEN NAIRES AND SURVEYS	1:30 PM NSE

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES (continued)

Mar 18 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM No Meeting Scheduled

JUDICIARY

		Beltz 105 (tsbldg) ATTENDANCE AGE/TR SIDING OFFICER PRO TR sheduled		
Mar 14 + + HB 7 +	Monday Status of Litigation: Crim Department of Law SYNTHETIC CANNAB Bills Previously Heard/So	INOIDS	1:30 PM	
Mar 16 +	Wednesday Location Change Confirmation Hearing: John J. Burns, Attorney C Testimony <invitation< td=""><td></td><td>1:30 PM</td></invitation<>		1:30 PM	
Mar 18 += SB 86 += SB 30 +		NERABLE ADULTS/MINO ROPERTY	1:30 PM DRS	
	LABOR & COMMERCE			
Mar 15	Tuesdav	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	2:00 PM	

Mar 15	Tuesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	2:00 PM	
	Note: Meeting Times I	Have Changed		
+ SB 40	USE OF RECORDED M	IESSAGES		
+	Bills Previously Heard/S	cheduled		
Mar 17	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	2:00 PM	
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled			

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RESOURCES

Mar 11 += SB 49	Friday Bills Previously Heard/Schedu PRODUCTION TAX ON OII Presentation by Sponsor		3:30 PM
Mar 14 += SB 49	Monday PRODUCTION TAX ON OII Presentation: Oil and Gas Pro- Report to the Legislature Bryan Butcher, Commissioner Bills Previously Heard/Schedu	duction Tax Status r, Dept. of Revenue	3:30 PM
Mar 16 += SB 49	Wednesday PRODUCTION TAX ON OII Presentation on Oil and Gas T Lenny Dees, Master Auditor, Bills Previously Heard/Schedu	ax Credits Dept. of Revenue	3:30 PM
Mar 18 += SB 49	Friday PRODUCTION TAX ON OII Petroleum Fiscal System Desi Florent Rousset, Gaffney Clin Bills Previously Heard/Schedu	gn e & Associates	3:30 PM
	STATE AFFA	IRS	
Mar 15 + + SB 89	Tuesday Senate Bill: An Act Relating to Biometric <pending &="" introduction="" refe<br="">LEGISLATIVE ETHICS AC[*] Bills Previously Heard/Schedu</pending>	erral> Γ	9:00 AM

Mar 17	Thursday	Butrovich 205	9:00 AM
+	Confirmation Hearings:		
	State Commission for Hum	an Rights - Jerrad "Shea"	
	Hutchings		
	Alaska Public Offices Com	mission - Kenneth Kirk	
+= SB 94	SECOND VERSE OF ALA	ASKA'S STATE SONG	
	Bills Previously Heard/Sch	eduled	

TRANSPORTATION

Mar 15 += SB 93 +			1:00 PM
Mar 17	Thursday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	1:00 PM
	FINANCE SUB	COMMITTEES	
	ADMINIS	TRATION	
Mar 15 +	Tuesday Closeout	Fahrenkamp 203	5:30 PM
	COMMERCE, COMMUN	NITY & ECONOMIC DEV	
Mar 15	Tuesday Location Change Closeout	Fahrenkamp 203	3:00 PM
	CORRE	CTIONS	
Mar 17 +	Time Change from 5:3 Closeout	Butrovich 205 30 pm & Location Change	1:00 PM
	COURT	SYSTEM	
Mar 15 +	Closeout	en Conf Rm 103 Tsb	3:00 PM
EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT			
Mar 15 +	Tuesday Closeout	Butrovich 205	5:15 PM

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Mar 14	Monday	Butrovich 205	12:00 PM
+	Department Overview	and FY 12 Budget Request	
Mar 17 +	Thursday Closeout	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	11:00 AM

FISH & GAME

Mar 17	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	8:00 AM
+	Budget Close Out	_	
	Testimony <invitation< td=""><td></td></invitation<>		

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GOVERNOR

Mar 16	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	3:00 PM		
	Closeout				

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Mar 16	Wednesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+	Budget Close Out	_	
	Testimony <invitation only=""></invitation>		

LABOR & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Mar 14	Monday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	4:00 PM
	Location Change		
	Budget Closeout		

LAW

Mar 15	Tuesday	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM	
	Subcommittee Closeout			

LEGISLATURE

Mar 16	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	3:10 PM
	Closeout		

MILITARY & VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Mar 15 +		Butrovich 205 nent & FY12 Budget Reque		
	NATURAL R	RESOURCES		
Mar 11	Friday Budget - Department Add Overview of House Budg	Fahrenkamp 203 dresses Committee Question get Actions		
Mar 17	Thursday Budget Closeout	Fahrenkamp 203	12:00 PM	
	PUBLIC	SAFETY		
Mar 15 +	Tuesday Budget Close-Out Testimony <invitation< td=""><td></td><td>8:00 AM</td></invitation<>		8:00 AM	
	REVI	ENUE		
Mar 17	Thursday Subcommittee Closeout	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM	
	TRANSPORTATION &	PUBLIC FACILITIES		
Mar 15	Tuesday Subcommittee Closeout	Fahrenkamp 203	8:00 AM	
UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA				
Mar 17	Closeout	Senate Finance 532	8:30 AM	
	JOINT COM	IMITTEES		
	ALASKA NORTHERN V	WATERS TASK FORCE		
Mar 14 +	Monday Organizational	Capitol 106	12:00 PM	

HIGHER EDUC/CAREER READINESS TASK FORCE

Mar 11	Friday	Terry Miller Gym	8:00 AM
	Time Change		
+	Discuss Preliminary (Drat	ft) Recommendations	
	to the Legislature:		
	Public Testimony Avail	lable on Request	
	8:00 - Roundtable Discus	_	
	State Senate & House Edu	acation Committees	
	10:00 - Break for Legislat	ive Business & Lunch	
	1:00 - Discussion & Revie		
	Recommendations: Slate	S, cont. (or Slate U)	
	1:45 - Discussion & Revie	ew of Preliminary	
	Recommendations: Slate	-	
	3:15 - Wrap up, Unfinishe	ed Task Force Business,	
	Closing Comments		
	Note: Members of the Pul	olic Wishing to Testify	
	May Request to do so at A	Anytime by Signing-In	
	at the Meeting, or by Con		
	Legislative Information C	-	

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

Mar 29	Tuesday	House Finance 519	8:00 AM
	Audits: Executive Ses	sion	
+	Other Committee Bus	iness	
	Teleconference <in< th=""><th>vitation Only></th><th></th></in<>	vitation Only>	

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Mar 17	Thursday Agenda Forthcoming	House Finance 519	11:00 AM
Apr 07	Thursday Agenda Forthcoming	House Finance 519	11:00 AM

OTHER MEETINGS

FISH CAUCUS

Mar 15	Tuesday	Capitol 106	12:00 PM
+	Unveiling of the Financial Report	for the Community	,
	Development Quota Program (CI	DQ)	
	Larry Cotter President of WACD	А	

JOINT LEGISLATIVE HEALTH CAUCUS

Mar 24	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	12:00 PM
+	Highways to Health		
	Transportation from Ala	iska	

JOINT SESSION

Mar 22 Tuesday House Chamber 11:00 AM Annual Address by the Honorable Mark Begich, U.S. Senator