

**SENATE JOURNAL**  
**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE**  
**TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE**  
**SECOND SESSION**

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Tuesday**

**January 21, 2014**

**First Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Huggins at 2:02 p.m.

The roll showed nineteen members present. Senator Dyson was absent.

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that Senator Dyson be excused from a call of the Senate today, January 22 and January 24. Without objection, Senator Dyson was excused.

**Colors**

The following members of the Honor Guard of the Girl Scouts of Alaska Council presented the colors:

Hope Carpenter	Sydney Thomas
Claire Jardell	Teja Tolbert
Kadence Patton	Allena Valentine
Amara Sanguni	Becky Wittig
Samantha Scalf	

The Girl Scout Honor Guard led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Alaska Flag Song and America the Beautiful**

Under the direction of Missouri Smyth, Artistic Director, the following members of the Alaska Youth Choir performed "Alaska's Flag" and "America the Beautiful":

Morgan Blackgoat  
Clare Boily  
Jessie Cooper  
Jordan Cooper  
Madison Cordle  
Max Doiron  
Taryn Fortin

Chris Lujan  
Taelyn Norvell  
Alana Paul  
Sabrina Robidoux  
Tristan Weissmuller  
Alexis Weissmuller

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Reverend Nancy Campbell of the Gospel Outreach Christian Center. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

"O you who hear prayer; to you all flesh will come."  
(Psalm 65:2)

To you, O Lord, I come this day in prayer for our Senators. I lift them up to you and ask for your hand of protection to be upon them and upon their families as they conduct business for the state of Alaska. I pray for your guidance in all their endeavors this session. Bless the fruit of their labors. Give them wisdom as they counsel together.

May they be blessed with good health. I pray specifically for Senator Fred Dyson this day. I pray for good health for him and a speedy recovery, Lord. God, grant him your healing touch.

Now let your peace, your presence, and your blessings be upon them as they begin this legislative session.

In Jesus' name,

Amen.

President Huggins appointed Senator Bishop and Senator Giessel to inform the Governor that the Senate is ready to do business.

President Huggins appointed Senator Fairclough and Senator Gardner to inform the House that the Senate is ready to do business.

### **Certification**

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the ninetieth legislative day of the First Session, the First and Final Supplements of the First Session, Senate Journal Supplement No. 9 and House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 7 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

### **Messages from the Governor**

Declarations of Disaster Emergency regarding Fire Suppression, dated September 23, 2013, October 21, 2013, November 20, 2013, December 11, 2013, and January 6, 2014, with accompanying letters were received. The declarations and letters had been copied to the Finance Committee Cochairs.

A Declaration of Disaster Emergency regarding the Kenai Peninsula Borough Flood, dated November 18, 2013, with an accompanying letter was received. The declaration and letter had been copied to the Finance Committee Cochairs.

A Declaration of Disaster Emergency regarding the West Coast and Interior Alaska Storms, dated November 18, 2013, with an accompanying letter was received. The declaration and letter had been copied to the Finance Committee Cochairs.

Administrative Order No. 267 regarding the City of Kwethluk power system failure, dated December 27, 2013 was received with an accompanying finance plan. The Administrative Order and finance plan had been copied to the Finance Committee Cochairs.

Administrative Order No. 268 regarding the City of Diomedes power system failure, dated December 27, 2013 was received with an accompanying finance plan. The Administrative Order and finance plan had been copied to the Finance Committee Cochairs.

**Messages from the House**

Message dated January 14 was read stating:

The House of Representatives respectfully invites the Senate to a Joint Session of the Twenty-eighth Alaska Legislature at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22 for the purpose of hearing the Governor's State of the State and State of the Budget Address.

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate accept the House invitation to meet in Joint Session. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

**Communications**

Message dated January 10 was received stating the Minority has selected Senator French to serve as Minority Leader for the second session of the Twenty-eighth Legislature.

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

House Task Force on Sustainable Education Initial Report for the Governor, Commissioner of the Department of Education and Early Development, and the Alaska State Legislature  
from Representative Lynn Gattis and Representative Tammie Wilson,  
Cochairs  
in accordance with House Resolve 7, 2013

Alaska Native Language Preservation and Advisory Council  
Preliminary Report  
from Annette Evans Smith, Chair  
in accordance with AS 44.33.520

**HB 65**

State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities  
Landing Fee Report, 2013  
from Patrick Kemp, Commissioner  
in accordance with Chapter 14, SLA 13

**HCR 6**

Legislative Task Force on Unmanned Aircraft Systems Interim Report  
to the Legislature

from Representative Shelley Hughes and Senator Donny Olson,  
Cochairs

in accordance with Legislative Resolve 17, 2013

Alaska Annual Report on Activities of the National Conference of  
Commissioners on Uniform State Laws

from Deborah Behr, Alaska Uniform Law Commissioner

2013 Annual Report by the State Pipeline Coordinator's Office,  
Department of Natural Resources

from Allison Iversen, Acting State Pipeline Coordinator

Alaska Energy Authority Basic Financial Statements and Schedules,  
June 30, 2013 and 2012

from the Alaska Energy Authority

Alaska Soil and Water Conservation Districts' FY13 Annual Reports,  
prepared by the Natural Resource Conservation and Development  
Board, December 2013

from George Woodbury, Chair

Regulatory Commission of Alaska Fiscal Year 2013 Annual Report

from T. W. Patch, RCA Chairman

in accordance with AS 42.05.211

Alaska Energy Authority Certification of Capital Reserve Fund  
Requirement

from Russell A. Dick, Chair, Board of Directors

in accordance with AS 44.83.110(f)

Alaska Sustainable Energy Act Annual Report: 2013 Progress Report,  
Department of Transportation and Public Facilities and Alaska  
Department of Administration

from Patrick Kemp, Commissioner

in accordance with AS 44.42.067(d)

Alaska Marine Highway Fund Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

from Patrick Kemp, Commissioner  
in accordance with AS 19.65.070(c)

Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, Alaska International Airports System (AIAS) Construction Fund Annual Report and Spending Plan

from Patrick Kemp, Commissioner  
in accordance with AS 37.15.420(c)

Commercial Passenger Vessel Excise Tax Report

from Angela M. Rodell, Commissioner, Department of Revenue  
in accordance with AS 43.52.260

Status Report on Health Information Exchange in Alaska, prepared by the State Health IT Coordinator, Department of Health and Social Services

from William J. Streur, Commissioner  
in accordance with AS 18.23.315

#### **HB 4**

Alaska Gasline Development Corporation 2013 Annual Report

from John Burns, Chairman  
in accordance with AS 31.25.270

Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority Annual Review of Assets

from Ted Leonard, Executive Director  
in accordance with AS 44.88.205

Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority 2013 Annual Report

from Ted Leonard, Executive Director  
in accordance with AS 44.88.210

Transforming Health Care in Alaska 2013: 2013 Annual Report of the Alaska Health Care Commission, 2010 - 2014 Strategic Plan Update

from Ward Hurlburt, Chair  
in accordance with AS 18.09.070(c)

State of Alaska FY 2013 Executive Branch Lease Purchase Agreements Report, Office of Management and Budget, Office of the Governor  
from Karen Rehfeld, Director  
in accordance with AS 37.07.040(11)

Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Annual Report 2013, Department of Public Safety  
from Lauree Morton, Executive Director  
in accordance with AS 18.66.050(10)

Alaska Department of Law Federal Laws and Litigation Report  
from Cori Mills, Civil Division Legislative Liaison  
in accordance with AS 44.23.020(h)

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation 2013 Annual Report to Alaskans  
from Franklin C. Roppel, Chair and Bryan D. Butcher, CEO, Executive Director  
in accordance with AS 18.56.089

Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission 2012 Annual Report  
from Bruce Twomley, Chairman, and Benjamin Brown, Commissioner  
in accordance with AS 16.43.980

The following Budget and Audit Reports were received from Kris Curtis, Legislative Auditor, in accordance with AS 24.20.311 and are on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate:

Alaska Land Mobile Radio Communications System, Department of Administration, September 13, 2013

Alaska Seismic Hazards Safety Commission, Department of Natural Resources, September 19, 2013

Department of Natural Resources Agriculture Revolving Loan Fund Selected Issues, June 24, 2013

Department of Health and Social Services Alaska Health Care Commission Sunset Review, May 6, 2013

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development  
Regulatory Commission of Alaska Sunset Review, July 19, 2013

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development,  
Board of Chiropractic Examiners Sunset Review, June 6, 2013

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development,  
Board of Examiners in Optometry Sunset Review, June 30, 2013

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development,  
Board of Marital and Family Therapy Sunset Review, June 19, 2013

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development,  
State Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board Sunset  
Review, June 17, 2013

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development,  
Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers Sunset Review, June 10,  
2013

Department of Public Safety, Council on Domestic Violence and  
Sexual Assault Sunset Review, May 21, 2013

### **Special Committee Reports**

#### **HB 71**

The following report dated April 14, 2013 was received in the Senate  
on April 14, 2013:

Mr. President:

Mr. Speaker:

The Conference Committee considering:

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 71(FIN) "An Act  
requiring the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission to report  
biennially on the vessel-based limited entry fisheries system for the  
weathervane scallop and Bering Sea hair crab fisheries; requiring the  
Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development



to file an annual report to the legislature regarding statewide and regional economic development projects and regional development organizations; extending the termination date of the Alaska regional economic assistance program; extending the termination date of the authority of the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission to maintain a vessel-based limited entry fisheries system for the weathervane scallop and Bering Sea hair crab fisheries; providing for an effective date by amending the effective date under sec. 28, ch. 137, SLA 2002; and providing for an effective date"

and

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 71(FIN) "An Act requiring the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development to file an annual report to the legislature regarding statewide and regional economic development projects and regional development organizations; extending the termination date of the Alaska regional economic assistance program; and providing for an effective date"

respectfully reports that it cannot come to an agreement on a conference committee substitute and requests that you discharge the committee.

Signing the report: Senator Stedman, Chair, Senators Egan, French; Representative Hughes, Chair, Representatives Johnson, Tarr.

The House discharged the House Conferees April 14, 2013 (p. 1287).

### **Unfinished Business**

President Huggins made the following appointments:

#### **Legislative Council**

Senator Dunleavy

#### **Alaska Arctic Policy Commission**

Senator McGuire, Cochair

**Pacific NorthWest Economic Region (PNWER)**  
Senator Coghill

**Announcements**

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

**Adjournment**

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., January 22, 2014. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Liz Clark  
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**

**Jan 21      Tuesday                      Butrovich 205              3:30 PM**  
No Meeting Scheduled

**Jan 23      Thursday                      Butrovich 205              3:30 PM**  
No Meeting Scheduled

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**EDUCATION**

**Jan 22      Wednesday                      Beltz 105 (TSBldg)              8:00 AM**  
-- MEETING CANCELED --  
+    SB 111 REPEAL SECONDARY SCHOOL EXIT EXAM  
Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Jan 24      Friday                      Beltz 105 (TSBldg)              8:00 AM**  
+=   SB 111 REPEAL SECONDARY SCHOOL EXIT EXAM  
<Pending Referral>  
Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**FINANCE**

**Jan 21      Tuesday                      Senate Finance 532              9:00 AM**  
No Meeting Scheduled

**Jan 22      Wednesday                      Senate Finance 532              9:00 AM**  
No Meeting Scheduled

**Finance (continued)**

<b>Jan 23</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
+	Senate Bill: Budget: Operating <Pending Introduction & Referral>		
+	Senate Bill: Budget: Capital <Pending Introduction & Referral>		
+	Senate Bill: Budget: Mental Health <Pending Introduction & Referral> FY15 Revenue Forecast - Angela Rodell, Commissioner, Department of Revenue FY15 Budget - Karen Rehfeld, Director, Office of Management and Budget		
<b>Jan 24</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
+	Senate Bill: Budget: Operating <Pending Introduction & Referral>		
+	Senate Bill: Budget: Capital <Pending Introduction & Referral>		
+	Senate Bill: Budget: Mental Health <Pending Introduction & Referral> FY15 Budget - David Teal, Legislative Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Finance Division		

**JUDICIARY**

<b>Jan 22</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (TSBldg)</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		
<b>Jan 24</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (TSBldg)</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		

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## LABOR & COMMERCE

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<b>Jan 23</b>	<b>Thursday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Beltz 105 (TSBldg)</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
<b>Jan 28</b>	<b>Tuesday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Beltz 105 (TSBldg)</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
<b>Jan 30</b>	<b>Thursday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Beltz 105 (TSBldg)</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>

## RESOURCES

<b>Jan 22</b> +	<b>Wednesday</b> Overview: Dept. of Environmental Conservation Fukushima Radiation Concerns in Alaska Commissioner Larry Hartig -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
<b>Jan 24</b> +	<b>Friday</b> Overview: Dept. of Natural Resources Commissioner Joe Balash Deputy Commissioner Ed Fogels Deputy Commissioner Bob Swenson -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>

## STATE AFFAIRS

<b>Jan 21</b>	<b>Tuesday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
<b>Jan 23</b>	<b>Thursday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>

**TRANSPORTATION**

**Jan 21      Tuesday      Butrovich 205      1:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

**Jan 23      Thursday      Barnes 124      1:00 PM**  
 + Joint w/ House Transportation  
 Presentation: Dept. of Transportation & Public  
 Facilities by Commissioner Pat Kemp  
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**JOINT COMMITTEES****LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT**

**Jan 28      Tuesday      Senate Finance 532      5:30 PM**  
 + Presentation by Nikos Tsafos & Janak Mayer, LB&A  
 Consultants  
 Natural Gas Market Outlook & Fundamentals of the  
 LNG Business  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.TV\*\*  
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**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**Jan 30      Thursday      Senate Finance 532      11:00 AM**  
 + -- Teleconference <Listen Only> --  
 Ratification of Charitable Events  
 Contract Approvals  
 Other Committee Business  
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**SELECT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS**

**Jan 23      Thursday      Beltz 105 (TSBldg)      9:00 AM**  
 + FULL COMMITTEE - Open Session  
 Public Comment  
 Chair/Staff Report  
 Annual State Benefit & Loan Review & Discussion  
 Budget  
 2014 Legislation Update  
 (meeting continued on next page)

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS**

(meeting continued from previous page)

Discussion: ETHICS TRAINING - 1st Amendment Rights  
in Relation to Demonstrations at the Capitol

Discussion: ETHICS TRAINING for Independent  
Contractors or Consultants

Other Business

**Jan 23                      Thursday                      Sen Conf Rm 103 TSB                      1:00 PM**

SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE - Executive Session

+ Public Comment

Executive Session

+ Public Comment

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**OTHER MEETINGS****JOINT SESSION**

**Jan 22                      Wednesday                      House Chamber                      7:00 PM**

State of the State and State of the Budget

Address by the Honorable Sean Parnell

Governor of Alaska