# **HOUSE JOURNAL**

## ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

#### TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

## FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

Anchorage, Alaska

Thursday

May 21, 2015

## **Twenty-fourth Day**

The House was called to order by Speaker Chenault at 1:22 p.m. at the Anchorage Legislative Information Office.

Roll call showed 34 members present. Representatives LeDoux and Talerico had been excused from a call of the House today.

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that Representatives Hawker and Herron be excused from a call of the House today. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representatives Claman and Kreiss-Tomkins were absent and later excused.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Representative Keller. Representative Wilson moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Consistent with the First Amendment, I acknowledge that each of us has the dignity of making and taking responsibility for our individual faith choices. Respecting your right, thank you for allowing me to pray for us today.

Heavenly Father, we acknowledge you as our Creator and giver of all good things and stand before you because of the provision you made for us. I ask for your compassion and

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forgiveness and for your help as we try to wrap up the first half of the 29th legislative session.

Help us, Father, to act on a solution (or solutions) to the current stalemate that please you and properly benefit the Alaskans we represent. May Alaskans have peaceful lives, liberty and property protected by the policies we make.

As to process: Help us to be honest and forthright; help us to listen to one another and to be mindful of each other's feelings and dignity; help us to rely on Your Divine protection; provide us with wisdom and guidance; and help us make the right decisions with confidence and a clear conscience.

I ask your blessing on us this day. I pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Gruenberg.

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that Representatives Claman and Kreiss-Tomkins be excused from a call of the House today. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

## CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the third through twenty-third legislative days of the first special session be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

The following letter to the Chief Clerk dated May 21, 2015, from Speaker Chenault was read:

"Dear Ms. Lowell:

Pursuant to Article II, Section 9, of the Constitution of the State of Alaska and AS 24.05.100(a)(2), the presiding officers of the Senate and the House announce the memberships of both bodies were polled

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asking whether a special session of the Twenty-Ninth Alaska State Legislature should be held in Anchorage, in order to consider legislation dealing with the FY 15 and 16 Operating Budgets. More than two-thirds of the membership responded in the affirmative.

The question asked of House members was:

"Should the Legislature meet in special session in Anchorage to consider legislation dealing with the FY 15 and 16 Operating Budgets?"

The poll results are attached.

I respectfully request this correspondence and poll results become part of the official record of this special session.

Sincerely, /s/ Representative Mike Chenault Speaker, Alaska State House"

The poll results follow:

The following members voted in the affirmative to call into special session: Representatives Chenault, Colver, Edgmon, Foster, Gattis, Hawker, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Keller, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Pruitt, Reinbold, Saddler, Seaton, Stutes, Talerico, Thompson, Tilton, Vazquez, Wilson

The following members voted in the negative to call into special session: Representatives Claman, Drummond, Gara, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Josephson, Kawasaki, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, Ortiz, Tarr, Tuck, Wool

The following members voted in the affirmative to meet in Anchorage: Representatives Chenault, Colver, Edgmon, Foster, Gattis, Hawker, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Keller, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Pruitt, Reinbold, Saddler, Seaton, Stutes, Talerico, Thompson, Tilton, Vazquez, Wilson

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The following members voted in the negative to meet in Anchorage: Representatives Claman, Drummond, Gara, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Josephson, Kawasaki, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, Munoz, Ortiz, Tarr, Tuck, Wool

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the First Special Session of the House of Representatives for the Twenty-ninth Legislature adjourn sine die.

Representative Kito objected.

The question being: "Shall the House adjourn the First Special Session sine die?" The roll was called with the following result: #AKH00290 05-21-2015 14:00:00
Adjourn First Special Session Sine Die

# YEAS: 21 NAYS: 13 EXCUSED: 6 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Colver, Edgmon, Foster, Gattis, Hughes, Johnson, Keller, Lynn, Millett, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Pruitt, Saddler, Seaton, Stutes, Thompson, Tilton, Vazquez, Wilson, Chenault

Nays: Drummond, Gara, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Josephson, Kawasaki, Kito, Munoz, Ortiz, Reinbold, Tarr, Tuck, Wool

Excused: Claman, Hawker, Herron, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Talerico

#AKH00290 END

And so, the First Special Session was adjourned sine die at 2:00 p.m.

Suzi Lowell Chief Clerk

# **HOUSE JOURNAL**

## ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

## TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

## SECOND SPECIAL SESSION

Anchorage, Alaska

**Thursday** 

May 21, 2015

# First Day

Pursuant to a poll of the legislature resulting in an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the membership calling themselves into special session (page 1206), the House was called to order by Speaker Chenault at 2:00 p.m. at the Anchorage Legislative Information Office.

Roll call showed 34 members present. Representatives Claman, Hawker, Herron, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux and Talerico had been excused from a call of the House today.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Representative Millett. Representative Wilson moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Dear Lord, please bless us this day as we approach the work with which we are tasked. Bless us with the wisdom to see all perspectives and with the knowledge that all of us here are committed to working towards the wellbeing and prosperity of the state of Alaska and its citizens. Please guide us towards careful thought and strict attention and lead us to look upon work with eyes of faith and consideration. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Lynn.

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# INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

#### HB 2001

HOUSE BILL NO. 2001 by the House Finance Committee, entitled:

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs and capitalizing funds; repealing appropriations; making appropriations under art. IX, sec. 17(c), Constitution of the State of Alaska, from the constitutional budget reserve fund; and providing for an effective date."

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

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Millett 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 Hawker – from 6:00 a.m., May 22 to 10:00 a.m., May 27

Representative Herron – from 6:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., May 22

Representative Claman – from 6:00 a.m., May 22 to midnight, May 28

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The following meeting today was announced:

Finance Committee Anchorage LIO 3:00 p.m. HB2001 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS

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# **ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 1:00 p.m., May 23, 2015. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 2:09 p.m.

Suzi Lowell Chief Clerk