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TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

Juneau, Alaska

Friday

March 6, 2015

Forty-sixth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Meyer at 10:04~a.m.

The roll showed eleven members present. Senators Costello, Ellis, Gardner, Hoffman, McGuire, Micciche, Stedman, Stevens were excused from a call of the Senate. Senator Olson was absent.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, The Reverend Gordon Blue, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Eternal God, fountain of wisdom;

"In your hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are yours also.

The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry land."

[Psalm 95:4,5]

Bless these people, our Senators of the State of Alaska. Grant them increased trust in one another; strengthen their quest for justice, and bring them to unity and a common purpose in service to the people. Grant to them imagination, skill and energy that through their work with each other there may grow among us wellbeing and peace.

Creator God, you have filled the world with grace and abundance: mercifully look upon the efforts of the Senate, and guide them. Refresh them with the beauty of your creation and fill their hearts with gladness in their work together, so that it may prove to be a blessing of the people they are elected to serve, and a legacy that future generations of Alaskans will receive with gratitude. Amen.

Senator Bishop led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the forty-fourth and forty-fifth legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the House

Message dated March 4 was read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Resolutions

HJR 4

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4 BY REPRESENTATIVES SADDLER, Herron, Millett, Chenault, Hawker, Gattis, Johnson, Josephson, LeDoux, Hughes,

Urging the United States Congress to provide a means for consistently and equitably sharing with all oil and gas producing states adjacent to federal outer continental shelf areas a portion of revenue generated from oil and gas development on the outer continental shelf to ensure that those states develop necessary infrastructure to support outer continental shelf development and preserve environmental integrity.

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

HJR 7

CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7(FSH) BY THE HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES,

Opposing the proposed designation of an Aleutian Islands National Marine Sanctuary.

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

Standing Committee Reports

Reports dated March 5 were read stating:

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

Alaska Police Standards Council

Rebecca Hamon – King Salmon Gustaf Sandahl – Kenai

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 reports: Senator Stoltze, Chair; Senators Coghill, Huggins, Wielechowski.

SB 43

The Community and Regional Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 43 "An Act relating to immunity for a fire department and employees or members of a fire department" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 43(CRA)

Signing do pass: Senator Bishop, Chair; Senators Egan, MacKinnon.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Public Safety

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills

SB 68

SENATE BILL NO. 68 BY SENATOR GIESSEL, entitled:

"An Act relating to resident big game tags; relating to the authority of the Board of Game and of advisory committees of the Board of Fisheries and the Board of Game to effect emergency closures during established seasons; relating to antlerless moose seasons; and providing for an effective date."

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

SB 69

SENATE BILL NO. 69 BY SENATOR STOLTZE, entitled:

"An Act relating to the Board of Chiropractic Examiners and the practice of chiropractic."

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

SB 70

SENATE BILL NO. 70 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act relating to exceptions from designation as a special purpose site under art. VIII, sec. 7 of the Constitution of the State of Alaska for portions of Denali State Park, Captain Cook State Recreation Area, Nancy Lake State Recreation Area, and Willow Creek State Recreation Area to allow leasing a right-of-way for a natural gas pipeline."

was read the first time and referred to the Resources and Finance Committees.

The following fiscal information was published today: Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Natural Resources

Governor's transmittal letter dated March 5:

Dear President Meyer:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the development of a natural gas pipeline corridor through Denali State Park, Captain Cook State Recreation Area, Nancy Lake State Recreation Area, and Willow Creek State Recreation Area.

The bill would open a corridor in Denali State Park, Captain Cook State Recreation Area, Nancy Lake State Recreation Area, and Willow Creek State Recreation Area to right-of-way leasing for the construction and operation of a natural gas pipeline from the North Slope, while retaining management of the land as park land pending issuance of a right-of-way lease and imposing conditions on any right-of-way lease to protect the scenic and recreational value of the land for citizens of the state. In addition, the bill would provide for the return to special purpose status of all affected land as it is released from the pipeline right-of-way corridor.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely, /s/ Bill Walker Governor

Consideration of the Calendar

Citations

Commemorating - Matanuska Landing and 100 Years of Coal History in the Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Senator(s) Huggins, Stoltze, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Wielechowski

Honoring - Frank Soos Alaska State Writer Laureate 2014-2016 Representative(s) Guttenberg

Senator(s) Coghill, Meyer, Bishop, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Honoring - George Pappas Alaska Aviation Museum Hall of Fame Representative(s) Hawker

Senator(s) Giessel, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Honoring - Oren Hudson Alaska Aviation Museum Hall of Fame Representative(s) Hawker

Senator(s) Giessel, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Honoring - Frank Dorbandt Alaska Aviation Museum Hall of Fame Representative(s) Hawker

Senator(s) Giessel, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Gabriel Lenox Rich

Senator(s) Coghill, Meyer, Bishop, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski Representative(s) Wilson

In Memoriam - Patrick "Scott" Johnson

Senator(s) Coghill, Meyer, Bishop, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Genevieve Carboy

Representative(s) Wool

Senator(s) Bishop, Meyer, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Wielechowski

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the citations be adopted. Without objection, the citations were adopted and referred to the Secretary for transmittal.

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., March 9, 2015. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

Liz Clark Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

- + indicates teleconference
- = indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Mar 10	Tuesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Mar 12	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+= SB 19	BOUNDARIES OF ROAL	D SERVICE AREAS	
+ SB 56	MUNI ENERGY IMPRO	VEMNT ASSESSMNTS/	BONDS
+	Bills Previously Heard/Sch	heduled	

EDUCATION

Mar 10 +	Tuesday Presentation: Alaska's University for Ala University of Alaska Board Regent Michael Powers, C	d of Regents	3:30 PM
+	Student Affairs Committee Presentation:		
	Educator Quality and Quar Jerry Covey, JSC Consultin Citizens for the Educationa Alaska's Children	ng on Behalf of the	
+	Presentation: Targeting Student Success Collaboration and Tutoring Ty Mase, Superintendent, District	g Intervention	

EDUCATION (continued)

Mar 12 + HCR 2 += SJR 2 += SCR 1 + SB 64	CONST. AM: G.O. BONI CIVICS EDUCATION TA		3:30 PM
	FINA	NCE	
Mar 06 += SB 30 +	MEETING CANCELEI	T. SUBST;CRIMES;DEFEN	9:00 AM NSES
Mar 09 += SB 30 +		Senate Finance 532 T. SUBST;CRIMES;DEFEN heduled	9:00 AM NSES
Mar 09 += SB 30 +		Senate Finance 532 T. SUBST;CRIMES;DEFEN heduled	1:30 PM NSES
Mar 10 += SB 27 +		oor and Workforce moved from Agenda>	9:00 AM
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Mar 11 += SB 27	•	and Education and Early	9:00 AM

FINANCE (continued)

Mar 11 += SB 30 +	•	Senate Finance 532 IT. SUBST;CRIMES;DEFEI Theduled	1:30 PM NSES
Mar 12 += SB 27	·	Social Services	9:00 AM
Mar 12 += SB 30 +		Senate Finance 532 IT. SUBST;CRIMES;DEFE	1:30 PM NSES
Mar 13 += SB 30 +	•	Senate Finance 532 IT. SUBST;CRIMES;DEFEI Cheduled	
Mar 13 += SB 30 +	•	Senate Finance 532 IT. SUBST;CRIMES;DEFEI heduled	1:30 PM NSES
Mar 14 += SB 30 +		T. SUBST;CRIMES;DEFE	10:00 AM NSES

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Mar 06	Friday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
Mar 09	Monday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
Mar 11	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
+= SB 1	REGULATION OF SMOKIN	G	
+= SB 18	HEALTH CARE SHARE MI	NISTRY NOT INSUI	RANCE
+	Bills Previously Heard/Schedu	ıled	

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES (continued)

Mar 13	Friday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
+	Senate Bill: An Act Re	lating to Medicaid	
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	Testimony <invitation< th=""><th>on Only></th><th></th></invitation<>	on Only>	
+	Bills Previously Heard	Scheduled	

JUDICIARY

Mar 06	Friday No Meeting Scheduled	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
Mar 09 += SB 51 += SB 5 += SB 41 +	RESTITUTION: PROPE	LD SUPPORT;PARENTAC RTY AND INCOME LOSS SOC CRIM HISTORY CH	S
Mar 11 +	Wednesday Legislative Hearing: Inm Prison System Testimony <invitation< th=""><th></th><th>1:30 PM</th></invitation<>		1:30 PM
Mar 13 +	Friday Confirmation of Governor Craig Richards, Attorney Law Testimony <invitation bills="" heard="" previously="" so<="" td=""><td>General - Department of Only></td><td>1:30 PM</td></invitation>	General - Department of Only>	1:30 PM

LABOR & COMMERCE

Ma	ır 10	Tuesday E	Seltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
+	SB 60	ESTABLISH MARIJUANA CONTROL BOARD		
		Testimony <invitation onl<="" td=""><td>y></td><td></td></invitation>	y>	
+	SB 53	ADVANCED PRACTICE R	EGISTERED NURSES	
+	SB 44	RELIGIOUS UNION EXEM	IPTION: PERA & AKRR	
		Public Testimony		
+		Bills Previously Heard/Sched	luled	

LABOR & COMMERCE (continued)

Mar 12	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
+	Board and Commis	sion Appointees for:	
	Board of Public Ac	countancy	
	Alcohol Beverage (Control Board	
	Big Game Commer	cial Services Board	
	Fisherman's Adviso	ry Council	
	Alaska Labor Relat	•	
	Real Estate Commi	ssion	
	Public Testimony		
+	Bills Previously He	ard/Scheduled	

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	RESOURCES	
Mar 06	Friday Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+	MEETING CANCELED Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	
Mar 09	Monday Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+	Overview: Wetlands Mitigation and Impacts to	
	Development in Alaska Tostimony Anxiettion Only	
+	Testimony <invitation only=""> Senate Bill: Park Boundaries for Natural Gas</invitation>	
	Pipeline	
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+ HJR 8		
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	Public Testimony	
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	
Mar 11	Wednesday Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+	Overview: Middle Earth Oil & Gas Development	
	Testimony <invitation only=""></invitation>	
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	

RESOURCES (continued)

Mar 13	Friday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+	Overview: Alaska Oil &	Gas Competitiveness	
	Review Board Update an	nd Report	
	Testimony <invitation< td=""><td>Only></td><td></td></invitation<>	Only>	
+	Bills Previously Heard/S	Scheduled	

STATE AFFAIRS

Mar 10 + SCR 6 += SB 62 + SB 42	Public Testimony REGULATION OF MARIJUANA BUSINESSES; BOARD
Mar 12 +	Thursday Butrovich 205 Governor's Appointments - Confirmation Hearing: Col. Laurie Hummel, Commissioner, Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs 8:00 AM 8:00 AM
+ SB 63	Public Testimony NAMING STATE LIBRARY & MUSEUM Public Testimony
+= SB 4	FINL. DISCLOSURE: LEGIS AND PUB OFFICIALS Public Testimony
+= SB 24	LEGIS. ETHICS ACT: CONTRACTORS,INTERNS Public Testimony
+= SB 62 +	REGULATION OF MARIJUANA BUSINESSES; BOARD Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Mar 10	Tuesday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	1:00 PM		
Mar 12	Thursday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	1:00 PM		

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES

ADMINISTRATION

Mar 10 Tuesday Fahrenkamp 203 7:30 AM

-- Location Change --

Discussion of:

Budgetary Changes Adopted in the House of

Representatives

Enterprise Technology Services

Opportunities for Consolidation / Privatization

Recapture of Excess Funds Currently in Numerous

Stand-alone Fund Balances

Universal Space Standards

Alaska Land Mobile Radio

- Leslie Ridle, Deputy Commissioner, DOA
- John Boucher, Deputy Commissioner, DOA
- Cheri Lowenstein, Administrative Services

Director, DOA

- Andy Mills, Special Assistant, DOA

Mar 12 Thursday Fahrenkamp 203 7:30 AM

-- Location Change --

Discussion Related to "Intent Language" to be

Considered to Address Budgetary

Recommendations and Long Range Budgetary Plans

- Leslie Ridle, Deputy Commissioner, DOA
- John Boucher, Deputy Commissioner, DOA
- Cheri Lowenstein, Administrative Services

Director, DOA

- Andy Mills, Special Assistant, DOA

Mar 19 Thursday Butrovich 205 7:30 AM

Closeout

- Sheldon Fisher, Commissioner, DOA
- Leslie Ridle, Deputy Commissioner
- John Boucher, Deputy Commissioner
- Cheri Lowenstein, Administrative Services

Director

- Andy Mills, Special Assistant

COMMERCE, COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEV

Mar 11	Wednesday Commerce, Community	Senate Finance 532 & Economic Development	3:00 PM		
Mar 17	Tuesday Commerce, Community	Senate Finance 532 & Economic Development	3:00 PM		
Mar 24	Tuesday Closeout	Senate Finance 532	3:00 PM		
CORRECTIONS					
Mar 13	Friday Budget Overview	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	5:00 PM		
Mar 23	Monday Budget Comparison and	Beltz 105 (tsbldg) Concerns	5:00 PM		
Mar 25	Wednesday Tentative Closeout	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	5:00 PM		

EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT

Mar 11 Wednesday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM

Overview: Budgetary Changes Adopted by the House of Representatives and the Potential Impacts
Mike Hanley, Commissioner, Department of Education and Early Development, DEED
Heidi Teshner, Director of Administrative

Services, DEED

FISH & GAME

Mar 12 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 5:00 PM

Discussion of:

Budgetary Changes Adopted in the House of Representatives Impact on Fish Management of the International Treaties; Escapement Goals and Stocks of Concern;

Habitat Enhancement

- Jeff Regnart, Director of Commercial Fisheries
- Tom Brookover, Acting Director of Sports Fish

FISH & GAME (continued)

Mar 17	Tuesday Discussion Related to "I Considered to Address F and Longer Range Budg	Budgetary Recommendations	5:00 PM			
Mar 19	Thursday Closeout	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	5:00 PM			
HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES						
Mar 09	Monday MEETING CANCEL Department of Health ar		5:30 PM			
Mar 11	Wednesday Department of Health ar	Senate Finance 532 and Social Services	5:30 PM			
Mar 16	Monday Department of Health ar	Senate Finance 532 and Social Services	5:30 PM			
Mar 18	Wednesday Closeout	Senate Finance 532	5:30 PM			
LABOR & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT						
Mar 16	Monday Budget Overview	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	5:00 PM			
Mar 18	Wednesday Budget Comparison and	Beltz 105 (tsbldg) Concerns	5:00 PM			
Mar 20	Friday Tentative Closeout	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	5:00 PM			

	MILITARY & VE	TERANS' AFFAIRS	
Mar 12	Thursday Military & Veterans Aff	Senate Finance 532	3:00 PM
Mar 25	Wednesday Closeout	Senate Finance 532	3:00 PM
	NATURAL 1	RESOURCES	
Mar 24	Tuesday Budget Overview	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	5:00 PM
Mar 26	Thursday Budget Comparison and	Beltz 105 (tsbldg) Concerns	5:00 PM
Mar 30	Monday Tentative Closeout	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	5:00 PM
		SAFETY	
Mar 10	Tuesday Department of Public Sa	Senate Finance 532 afety	3:00 PM
Mar 19	Thursday Department of Public Sa	Senate Finance 532 afety	3:00 PM
Mar 26	Thursday Closeout	Senate Finance 532	3:00 PM
Т		 & PUBLIC FACILITII	ES
Mar 10	Tuesday Department of Transpor Facilities	Fahrenkamp 203 tation and Public	11:00 AM
Mar 17	Tuesday Department of Transpor Facilities	Fahrenkamp 203 tation and Public	11:00 AM

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11:00 AM

Tuesday

Closeout

Mar 24

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

SPECIAL CMTE ON ENERGY

Mar 10 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM

-- Location Change & Time Change --

+ SB 50 AIDEA: BONDS; PROGRAMS; LOANS; LNG PROJECT

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

SPECIAL CMTE ON THE ARCTIC

Mar 10 Tuesday Butrovich 205 10:45 AM

+ Presentation: "Arctic Waterways Safety Committee: Streamlined Path for Safe Vessel Operations in

the Arctic"

Mar 12 Thursday Butrovich 205 11:15 AM

No Meeting Scheduled

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JOINT COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

Mar 10 Tuesday House Finance 519 7:30 AM

-- Location Change --

+ Public Hearing

Education Funding Study: State of Alaska's

Method of Funding K-12 Education

Public Comment to Assist the Education Funding Study Contractor in Understanding the Public Perspective on Alaska's Current School Funding Structure

-- Testimony <Time Limit Set to 3 Minutes> --

Mar 17 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 7:30 AM

+ Public Hearing

Department of Health and Social Services

Performances Review

Public Comment on the Performance of DHSS in the Delivery of its Behavioral Health and Long-Term Care Services and on the Department's Overall Organizational and Administrative Structure
-- Testimony <Time Limit Set to 3 Minutes> --

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT (continued)

Mar 30 Monday Barnes 124 7:30 AM

Audits - Executive Session: Statewide Single Audit FY14 Final

Other Committee Business

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

OTHER MEETINGS

JOINT SESSION

Mar 23 Monday House Chamber 11:00 AM

+ Annual Address by the Honorable

Dan Sullivan, U.S. Senator

MISCELLANEOUS MEETING

Mar 12 Thursday Capitol 106 12:00 PM

Lunch and Learn - Alaska North Slope Conventional and Unconventional Oil and Gas Sponsored by Senator Kelly and Senator Giessel

Mar 12 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 12:01 PM

Lunch and Learn

Samuel Gottstein, an Academic Law Fellow at the Clough Center for the Study of Constitutional Democracy, Will Discuss How Granting Limited Criminal Jurisdiction to Alaska Native Communities Would Be Cost-effective, Avoid

Federal Overreach, and Make Rural Alaska Native

Communities Safer

Sponsored by Senator Gardner