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Sixtieth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Edgmon at 10:37 a.m.

Roll call showed 34 members present. Representatives Fields, Kreiss-Tomkins, Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, and Talerico had been excused from a call of the House today.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Student Rabbi Jeff Dreifus of Congregation Sukkat Shalom. Representative Shaw moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

With the deepest respect for the religious beliefs of all Alaskans, I offer the following prayer:

This week Jewish communities all over the world begin reading the book of Leviticus, which describes the ritual animal sacrifices the ancient Israelites offered to God. It's often difficult to see how these ancient practices are relevant to our lives today, but we can learn from these traditions, which teach us about the power of sacrifice.

Our ancestors, poor shepherds and farmers, believed that by sacrificing some of their scarce resources to God, animals from their flocks, or grain from their fields, they were serving God. It was the smoke rising from their altar that connected their earthy existence to God's holiness above.

Thankfully today we no longer sacrifice animals, but by sacrificing our scarce resources—not only our money, but our time and our attention—on the people in our communities who need it most, we connect to something greater than ourselves. Our tradition teaches that it's by giving of ourselves that we make the biggest impact, that we bring holiness to the world.

Let us take a moment to appreciate the sacrifices that Alaskans all across the state make every day to make their families and their communities stronger. And may each of us take a moment to look inward with a generous heart, in search of new ways to give of ourselves. Let us say together, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Thompson.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 58th and 59th legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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Representative Johnston introduced Cassidy McCaslin, Guest Page, from Anchorage.

Representative Revak introduced Wrangle Kruckenberg, Guest Page, from Anchorage.

Representative Tilton introduced Theodore Chau, Guest Page, from Anchorage.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following was received:

Dept. of Fish & Game
Division of Commercial Fisheries

Alaska Salmon Fisheries Enhancement Annual Report 2018 March 2019 (as required by AS 16.05.092)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Judiciary Committee reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends the appointments be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Stephen Dutra
Rebecca Hamon
Burke Waldron
Joseph White
Jennifer Winkelman

as members of the Alaska Police Standards Council.

The report was signed by Representative Claman, Chair; and Representatives Eastman, Wool, LeDoux, Stutes, Shaw, and Kopp.

The Labor & Commerce Committee reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Tamika Ledbetter

as Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

The report was signed by Representatives Wool and LeDoux, Cochairs; and Representatives Hannan, Stutes, Talerico, and Fields.

The Resources Committee reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends the appointments be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Marilyn Charles Moses Toyukak Sr.

as members of the Fishermen's Fund Advisory and Appeals Council.

The report was signed by Representative Tarr, Co-chair; and Representatives Spohnholz, Rauscher, Rasmussen, Hopkins, Talerico, and Hannan.

HB 57

The State Affairs Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 57

"An Act relating to expanding the period in a day during which an employed child under 16 years of age may perform work in the summer; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 57(STA) (same title)

The report was signed by Representatives Fields and Kreiss-Tomkins, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (3): LeDoux, Shaw, Kreiss-Tomkins

No recommendation (3): Vance, Story, Fields

Amend (1): Wool

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 57(STA):

1. Zero, Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development

HB 57 was referred to the Labor & Commerce Committee.

HB83

The State Affairs Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 83

"An Act relating to voting by electronic transmission in a state election; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 83(STA) (same title)

The report was signed by Representatives Fields and Kreiss-Tomkins, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (7): Vance, LeDoux, Wool, Story, Shaw, Fields, Kreiss-Tomkins

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 83(STA):

1. Zero, Office of the Governor

HB 83 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The House Special Committee on Arctic Policy, Economic Development, & Tourism reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Julie Anderson

as Commissioner of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development.

The report was signed by Representative Hannan, Chair; and Representatives Rasmussen, Tuck, Kreiss-Tomkins, and Revak.

HJR 10

The House Special Committee on Energy considered:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 10

Supporting development of the road belt electrical transmission line; and urging members of the Alaska delegation in Congress to pursue the development of this high-voltage electrical line in the interior of the state.

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 10(ENE) (same title)

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

Do pass (4): Rauscher, Pruitt, Fields, Spohnholz

No recommendation (2): Zulkosky, Hopkins

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHJR 10(ENE):

1. Zero, House Special Committee on Energy

HJR 10 was referred to the Resources Committee.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citation was introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

In Memoriam - Margaret Kathleen Eagan Pate By Representatives Vance, Sullivan-Leonard

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HCR 3

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3 by Representative Jackson:

Suspending Rules 20, 21(c), 23(a), and 24(a), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, relating to measures in possession of standing committees and special committees of the house of representatives, for the purpose of restricting committee meetings of the house of representatives to measures that substantially relate to and have as their primary purpose appropriating, raising, or allocating state revenue, until the house of representatives passes a state operating budget to the senate.

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

HCR 4

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4 by the House State Affairs Committee:

Proposing an amendment to the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature relating to the membership of the Committee on Committees

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

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 95

HOUSE BILL NO. 95 by Representative Jackson, entitled:

"An Act relating to the confidentiality of certain state records on animals and crops; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 96

HOUSE BILL NO. 96 by Representatives Fields, Josephson, Tuck, Ortiz, Drummond, Shaw, Spohnholz, and Story, entitled:

"An Act relating to Alaska Pioneers' Home and Alaska Veterans' Home rates and services."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs and Health & Social Services Committees.

HB 97

HOUSE BILL NO. 97 by Representative Kreiss-Tomkins, entitled:

"An Act relating to the prescription of drugs by a physician assistant without physical examination."

was read the first time and referred to the Health & Social Services and Labor & Commerce Committees.

HB 98

HOUSE BILL NO. 98 by Representatives Claman and Kopp, entitled:

"An Act relating to aggregation of crimes under theft in the second degree; relating to fraudulent use of an access device; and relating to the crime of possession of motor vehicle theft tools."

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

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Thompson 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:

In Memoriam - Dr. Rudolph Waclav Krejci By Representative Hopkins; Senator Coghill

In Memoriam - Herb Melchior By Representative Hopkins; Senator Coghill

In Memoriam - David Mangusso By Representative Hopkins; Senator Coghill

In Memoriam - Banarsi Lal By Representative Hopkins; Senator Kawasaki

In Memoriam - Ann Dolney By Senator Coghill; Representative Hopkins

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Thompson 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 Thompson – from 11:30 a.m., today to 10:30 p.m., March 17

Representative LeBon – from noon., today to 10:30 a.m., March 18

Representative Eastman - from noon, today to 11:00 a.m., March 18

Representative Wool – from 7:30 p.m., today to 10:00 a.m., March 18

Representative Tuck – from 6:00 a.m., March 18 to 10:00 p.m., March 22 (amended from page 311)

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A memo dated March 13 stated the Speaker appointed Representative Neuman to replace Representative Pruitt on the House Special Committee on Fisheries

The Speaker made the following appointments:

Appointed House Members 2019-2020

Pacific Fisheries Legislative Task Force (Legislative Resolve No. 38, 1986) Representative Kopp Representative Ortiz (alternate)

Alaska Native Language Preservation & Advisory Council (AS 44.33.520)

Representative Story

Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Management Areas in Alaska

(AS 41.37.170)

Representative Talerico

Anchorage Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors

Representative Spohnholz

Representative Tuck

Education Commission of the States - Commissioners (AS 14.44.060)

Representative Drummond

Representative Hannan (alternate)

Energy Council - Executive Committee

Representative Tuck

Representative Johnson

Energy Council - Energy Committee Members

Representative Ortiz

Representative Rauscher

Pacific NorthWest Economic Region - PNWER - Delegate Council

Representative Tuck

Representative Talerico

Representative Kopp (alternate)

Representative Rauscher (alternate)

Pacific North West Economic Region - Arctic Caucus

Representative Johnston

Representative Talerico (alternate)

Alaska Aerospace Corporation

(AS 26.27.020)

Representative Stutes

Representative Thompson (alternate)

Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education

(AS 14.42.015)

Representative Drummond

Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute Board (AS 16.51.010)

Representative Stutes

Representative Ortiz (alternate)

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Coordinated Care Demonstration Project Review Committee (AS 47.07.039)

Representative Story

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council Public Advisory Committee Representative Josephson

Kodiak Seafood and Marine Science Center Policy Council Representative Stutes

Statewide Suicide Prevention Council (AS 44.29.300)
Representative Hannan
Representative Jackson

Lieutenant Governor's Election Policy Working Group Representative Kreiss-Tomkins

National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) Standing Committees

Budgets & Revenue Representative Josephson

Education

Representative Tuck Representative Story Representative Ortiz

Health & Human Services Representative Spohnholz

Labor & Economic Development Representative Tuck

Law, Criminal Justice & Public Safety Representative Kopp Representative Claman

Natural Resources and Infrastructure

Representative Tuck
Representative Josephson
Representative Johnson
Representative Rauscher

Redistricting & Elections
Representative Kreiss-Tomkins

The Council of State Governments (CSG) National Committees

Intergovernmental Affairs Committee Representative Jackson

Shared State Legislation Committee Representative Josephson

Council of State Governments—West (CSG-WEST) Committees

Executive Committee
Representative Pruitt

Canada Relations Committee Representative Story

Education Committee Representative Story

Energy Committee

Representative Tuck Representative Josephson Representative Johnson

Economic Development Committee

Representative Tuck Representative Thompson Representative Jackson

Health Committee

Representative Spohnholz

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Public Safety Committee Representative Kopp Representative Rauscher

Water & Environment Committee Representative Josephson

HB3

Representative Jackson added as a cosponsor to:

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 3

"An Act relating to the purchase and sale of state land; relating to discounts for veterans on state land purchases; and relating to the assignment of permanent fund dividends to purchase state land."

HB 13

Representative Jackson added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 13

"An Act requiring the Department of Health and Social Services to apply for a waiver to establish work requirements for certain adults who are eligible for the state medical assistance program."

HB 93

Representative LeDoux added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 93

"An Act relating to temporary courtesy licenses for certain nonresident professionals; and relating to the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 11:00 a.m., March 18. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

Crystaline Jones Chief Clerk