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One Hundredth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Edgmon at 10:41 a.m.

Roll call showed 40 members present.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, the Reverend Gordon Blue of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. 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:

In the lectionary of daily grace today we are given Psalm 115:15-16, which says: May you be blessed by the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. The heaven of heavens is the Lord's, but he entrusted the earth to its peoples.

Let us pray.

Creator God, foundation of justice and mercy, we thank you for the light of understanding and the gift of wisdom through the ages. Help the House of Alaska to do that work which they have been called to do on the behalf of future generations and of this one: to provide from the increase of the earth for the protection of the poor and the oppressed, and the wellbeing of all your people, and of the Earth which nurtures all

life. Direct and guide them, Lord. Let the people praise them. Let the people be glad and sing for joy. Let the House govern with equity and give us blessing. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Josephson.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 98th and 99th legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

An amendment to the Declaration of Disaster Emergency for the November 30, 2018 earthquake with an accompanying letter dated April 18 were received. The amended declaration and letter were copied to the Finance Committee Co-chairs and are on file in the Chief Clerk's office.

Amended finance plans dated April 22 regarding the 2012 September Severe Storms with an accompanying letter dated April 22 were received pursuant to AS 26.23.020. The amended finance plans and letter were copied to the Finance Committee Co-chairs and are on file in the Chief Clerk's office.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

SB 89

A message dated April 22 was read stating the Senate waived Uniform Rule 42(b) and adopted the Free Conference Committee report on HCS CSSB 89(JUD) and CSSB 89(JUD), thus adopting:

FREE CONFERENCE CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 89 "An Act relating to the Legislative Ethics Act; and providing for an effective date."

A message dated April 22 was read stating the Senate passed the following, and it is transmitted for consideration:

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FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF SENATE BILLS

SB 93

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 93(HSS) by the Senate Health and Social Services Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to a workforce enhancement program for health care professionals employed in the state; and providing for an effective date."

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

HJR 14

The Transportation Committee considered:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14

Urging the Alaska Congressional delegation to pursue infrastructure funding for a deep draft Arctic port in Nome; requesting the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to send a letter from the state to the Alaska Congressional delegation supporting a deep draft Arctic port in Nome; and requesting the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to work collaboratively with the City of Nome on a deep draft Arctic port in Nome.

The report was signed by Representatives Wool and Stutes, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (6): Drummond, Claman, Story, Talerico, Wool, Stutes

No recommendation (1): Rasmussen

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities

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HJR 14 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 31

The State Affairs Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 31 "An Act making a special appropriation to the Alaska permanent fund; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representative Kreiss-Tomkins, Co-chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (2): Shaw, Kreiss-Tomkins

Do not pass (2): Vance, LeDoux

No recommendation (2): Wool, Story

HB 31 was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 82

The State Affairs Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 82 "An Act adding to the powers and duties of the State Commission for Human Rights; and relating to and prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression."

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

Do pass (4): Wool, Story, Kreiss-Tomkins, Fields

Do not pass (2): Vance, Shaw

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Office of the Governor

HB 82 was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

HB 96

The Health & Social Services Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 96 "An Act relating to Alaska Pioneers' Home and Alaska Veterans' Home rates and services."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 96(STA) (same title)

The report was signed by Representatives Zulkosky and Spohnholz, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Drummond, Tarr, Zulkosky, Spohnholz

No recommendation (1): Jackson

Amend (1): Pruitt

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 96(STA):

3. Fiscal, Dept. of Health & Social Services

4. Fiscal, Dept. of Health & Social Services

HB 96 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 102

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 102

"An Act relating to rental vehicles; relating to vehicle rental networks; relating to liability for vehicle rental taxes; and providing for an effective date."

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The report was signed by Representatives LeDoux and Wool, Cochairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Hannan, Fields, Stutes, Wool

No recommendation (3): Revak, Talerico, LeDoux

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

- 1. Zero, Dept. of Law
- 2. Indeterminate, Dept. of Revenue

HB 102 was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 110

The State Affairs Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 110

"An Act relating to the transfer of a title to a boat on the death of the owner; relating to the transfer of a title to a vehicle, including certain manufactured homes and trailers, on the death of the owner; allowing a person to act for the surviving spouse of a decedent to enforce liability against real property transferred at death; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 110(STA)

"An Act relating to the transfer of a title to a boat on the death of the owner; relating to the transfer of a title to a vehicle, including certain manufactured homes and trailers, on the death of the owner; allowing a person to act for the surviving spouse of a decedent to enforce liability against real property transferred at death; relating to changes of address; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (5): Wool, Shaw, Story, Kreiss-Tomkins, Fields

No recommendation (2): Vance, LeDoux

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 110(STA):

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Administration

HB 110 was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

HB 122

The Resources Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 122

"An Act relating to the Funter Bay marine park unit of the state park system; relating to protection of the social and historical significance of the Unangax cemetery located in Funter Bay and providing for the amendment of the management plan for the Funter Bay marine park unit; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Tarr and Lincoln, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (3): Hannan, Tarr, Lincoln

No recommendation (3): Rasmussen, Hopkins, Talerico

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Natural Resources

HB 122 was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 25

The Finance Committee considered:

SENATE BILL NO. 25 "An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Dental Examiners; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Wilson and Foster, Cochairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (10): Johnston, Carpenter, Tilton, LeBon, Knopp, Merrick, Josephson, Sullivan-Leonard, Ortiz, Foster

No recommendation (1): Wilson

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

2. Fiscal, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

SB 25 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

SB 37

The Health & Social Services Committee considered:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 37(FIN) "An Act relating to the statewide immunization program; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Zulkosky and Spohnholz, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (5): Drummond, Jackson, Tarr, Zulkosky, Spohnholz

No recommendation (1): Pruitt

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

- 2. Fiscal, Senate Finance Committee/Dept. of Health & Social Services
- 3. Fiscal, Senate Finance Committee/Fund Capitalization
- 4. Fiscal, Senate Finance Committee/Fund Transfers

CSSB 37(FIN) was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 54

The Transportation Committee considered:

SENATE BILL NO. 54 "An Act approving the transfer of certain Alaska Railroad Corporation land; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Wool and Stutes, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (7): Talerico, Story, Rasmussen, Drummond, Claman, Wool, Stutes

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

SB 54 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HR 8

The House Special Committee on Fisheries considered:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 8

Recognizing 2019 as the International Year of the Salmon and supporting an associated global initiative identifying the importance of wild salmon.

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

Do pass (2): Tarr, Stutes

No recommendation (1): Vance

Amend (1): Neuman

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Legislative Agency

HR 8 was referred to the Resources Committee.

HB 109

The House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 109 "An Act relating to residency requirements for public school enrollment for certain children of active duty military members."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 109(MLV)

"An Act relating to residency requirements for public school enrollment for certain children of active duty military and National Guard members."

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

Do pass (6): Kopp, Thompson, Jackson, Tarr, Tuck, LeDoux

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 109(MLV):

1. Zero, Dept. of Education & Early Development

HB 109 was referred to the Education Committee.

HB 113

The House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 113

"An Act relating to employment preferences for spouses and children of veterans, disabled veterans, former prisoners of war, members of the national guard, and deceased service members."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 113(MLV)

"An Act relating to private sector and state employment preferences for active service members, veterans, and spouses and dependent children of active service members and veterans; relating to employment preferences for surviving spouses of deceased service members and veterans; and relating to employment preferences for disabled veterans and former prisoners of war."

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

Do pass (5): Kopp, Jackson, Tarr, Tuck, LeDoux

No recommendation (1): Thompson

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 113(MLV):

1. Zero, Dept. of Administration

2. Zero, Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development

HB 113 was referred to the Labor & Commerce Committee.

SB 89

The Free Conference Committee considering HCS CSSB 89(JUD) and CSSB 89(JUD) recommends the following be adopted:

FREE CONFERENCE CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 89 "An Act relating to the Legislative Ethics Act; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Claman (Chair), Tuck, Pruitt; and Senators Coghill (Chair), Begich.

The following fiscal note(s) apply to FCCS SB 89:

1. Zero, Legislative Agency

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The report was received in the Chief Clerk's office at 3:03 p.m., April 22.

Representative Thompson moved that the House adopt the Free Conference Committee report, thus adopting FCCS SB 89, and recommended that the members vote yes.

Representative Eastman objected.

Representative Thompson placed a call of the House.

The call was satisfied.

The question being: "Shall the House adopt the report?" The roll was taken with the following result:

FCCS SB 89 Adopt

YEAS: 33 NAYS: 7 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Carpenter, Claman, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Johnston, Knopp, Kopp, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon, Lincoln, Merrick, Neuman, Ortiz, Pruitt, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Revak, Shaw, Story, Stutes, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Vance, Wilson, Zulkosky

Nays: Drummond, Eastman, Josephson, LeDoux, Spohnholz, Tuck, Wool

And so, the House adopted FCCS SB 89.

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The Chief Clerk notified the Senate.

The Senate adopted the Free Conference Committee report (April 22).

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citation was introduced and taken up later as a Special Order of Business:

Honoring - Tim Gravel By Representative Revak

The following citations were introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

Honoring - Carl Kancir By Representatives LeDoux, Spohnholz; Senator Wielechowski

Honoring - Dan Collins By Representative Revak

Honoring - Chris Block By Representative Revak

Honoring - East Anchorage High School Football Team 2018 State Champions By Representatives Josephson, Tarr; Senator Wielechowski

Honoring - Major General Laurel Hummel By Senator Wielechowski; Representatives LeDoux, Fields

Honoring - Northeast Muldoon Boys and Girls Club By Senator Wielechowski; Representatives LeDoux, Spohnholz

Honoring - Muldoon Library By Senator Wielechowski; Representatives LeDoux, Spohnholz

Honoring - Safe Harbor Muldoon and Muldoon Garden By Senator Wielechowski; Representatives LeDoux, Spohnholz

In Memoriam - Rex Bishopp By Representative Rasmussen; Senator Costello

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In Memoriam - Kathie Smith By Senator Wilson

In Memoriam - Roberta Ruth Uhl By Senator Wielechowski; Representatives LeDoux, Spohnholz

In Memoriam - Kathleen Ann Farkas By Senator Wielechowski; Representatives LeDoux, Spohnholz

In Memoriam - Robert Marshall By Senator Bishop

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HJR 18

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18 by Representatives Kreiss-Tomkins, Johnston, Spohnholz, Ortiz, Fields, LeBon, Lincoln, Wool, Josephson, Wilson, and Story:

Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to the Alaska permanent fund and to appropriations from the Alaska permanent fund.

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

HJR 19

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 19 by the House Special Committee on Tribal Affairs:

Urging the United States Congress to fully fund the United States Census Bureau for the 2020 Census; urging the governor to prioritize an accurate count for the 2020 Census; and urging local governments to establish local complete count commissions.

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Tribal Affairs and the Community & Regional Affairs Committee.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 143

HOUSE BILL NO. 143 by Representative Wilson, entitled:

"An Act relating to the modification or relocation of a public easement or right-of-way; and relating to restrictions on easement or right-of-way use."

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

HB 144

HOUSE BILL NO. 144 by Representative Sullivan-Leonard, entitled:

"An Act relating to the procedure for legislative confirmation of board or commission appointments."

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

HB 145

HOUSE BILL NO. 145 by the House Judiciary Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to crime and criminal procedure; establishing the crime of possession of motor vehicle theft tools; relating to controlled substances; relating to credit toward a sentence of imprisonment; relating to sentencing; relating to registration of sex offenders; relating to the definition of 'sex offender or child kidnapper'; relating to operating under the influence; relating to refusal to submit to a chemical test; relating to the duties of the commissioner of corrections; relating to the Alaska Criminal Justice Commission; relating to the duties of the attorney general and the Department of Law; requiring law enforcement agencies to test sexual assault examination kits; requiring notification of completion of testing; relating to reports on untested sexual assault examination kits; and relating to public disclosure of information relating to certain minors."

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

HB 146

HOUSE BILL NO. 146 by Representative Claman, entitled:

"An Act relating to an application for a license to operate as a dealer in motor vehicles; and requiring a dealer in motor vehicles to maintain liability and property insurance."

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

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR

THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 71

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the April 22 calendar (page 676), was read the third time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 71

"An Act relating to hiring for positions in state service based on substitution of military work experience or training for required civilian work experience or training."

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that HB 71 be returned to second reading for the purpose of considering amendments. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, HB 71 would be returned to second reading for all amendments.

Amendment No. 1 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 1, line 7, following "for": Insert "a"

Page 1, line 8: Delete "requirements" Insert "requirement"

Page 1, line 9: Delete "requirements" Insert "requirement"

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 be adopted.

Objection was heard and withdrawn. There being no further objection, Amendment No. 1 was adopted.

HB 71 am was automatically in third reading.

The question being: "Shall HB 71 am pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 71 am Third Reading Final Passage

YEAS: 40 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Carpenter, Claman, Drummond, Eastman, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Johnston, Josephson, Knopp, Kopp, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon, LeDoux, Lincoln, Merrick, Neuman, Ortiz, Pruitt, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Revak, Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vance, Wilson, Wool, Zulkosky

And so, HB 71 am passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

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:

Honoring - Julie Doepken, 2019 BP Teacher of Excellence By Representative Carpenter; Senator Micciche

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Honoring - Jennifer Hornung, 2019 BP Teacher of Excellence By Representative Carpenter; Senator Micciche

Honoring - Winston and Pamela Gillies, 50th Wedding Anniversary By Representative Carpenter; Senator Micciche

Honoring - Juneau Capitals U18 Hockey Team By Representatives Hannan, Story; Senator Kiehl

Honoring - Jon Van Zyle By Senator Reinbold

Honoring - Mari Jo Parks By Senator Wilson

Honoring - The 2019 Senate Floor Staff By Senators Coghill, Giessel, Costello

In Memoriam - Willard E. Dunham By Senator Micciche; Representative Carpenter

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HB 122

The Speaker removed the Finance Committee referral for the following:

HOUSE BILL NO. 122

"An Act relating to the Funter Bay marine park unit of the state park system; relating to protection of the social and historical significance of the Unangax cemetery located in Funter Bay and providing for the amendment of the management plan for the Funter Bay marine park unit; and providing for an effective date."

HB 122 was removed from the Finance Committee and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 96

The Speaker added a Finance Committee referral for the following:

HOUSE BILL NO. 96

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

HB 96 was removed from the Rules Committee and referred to the Finance Committee.

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 Wool - from 7:30 a.m., April 26 to 10:00 a.m., May 1

Representative Jackson – from 9:00 a.m., April 25 to 10:30 a.m., April 29

Representative Fields – from 1:00 p.m., April 26 to 10:00 a.m., April 29

HB 145

Representative Claman, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent that Uniform Rule 23 be waived, so that the Judiciary Committee may hear the following today:

HOUSE BILL NO. 145

"An Act relating to crime and criminal procedure; establishing the crime of possession of motor vehicle theft tools; relating to controlled substances; relating to credit toward a sentence of imprisonment; relating to sentencing; relating to registration of sex offenders; relating to the definition of 'sex offender or child kidnapper'; relating to operating under the influence; relating to refusal to submit to a chemical test; relating to the duties of the commissioner of corrections; relating to the Alaska Criminal Justice Commission; relating to the duties of the attorney general and the Department of Law; requiring law enforcement agencies to test sexual assault examination kits; requiring notification of completion of testing; relating to reports on untested sexual assault examination kits; and relating to public disclosure of information relating to certain minors."

Objection was heard and withdrawn. There being no further objection, it was so ordered.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the notice and publication requirements be waived and the citation, Honoring - Tim Gravel, be taken up as a Special Order of Business. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citation. There being no objection, the following citation was approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring - Tim Gravel By Representative Revak

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HB 16

Representative Wilson added as a cosponsor to:

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 16 "An Act relating to shared animal ownership; and relating to the

sharing and sale of raw milk and raw milk products."

HB 28

Representative Josephson added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 28

"An Act relating to an annual report concerning the payment of equal pay for comparable work; increasing the minimum wage; and providing for an effective date."

HB 71

Representatives Kopp, Tarr, Stutes, Josephson, Zulkosky, and Eastman added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 71 am

"An Act relating to hiring for positions in state service based on substitution of military work experience or training for required civilian work experience or training."

HB 82

Representative Drummond added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 82

"An Act adding to the powers and duties of the State Commission for Human Rights; and relating to and prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression."

HB 136

Representative Drummond added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 136

"An Act relating to public school funding for social and emotional learning; and providing for an effective date."

HB 139

Representative Tuck added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 139

"An Act providing an exemption from the state procurement code for the acquisition of investment-related services for assets managed by the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation."

ENGROSSMENT

HB 71

HB 71 am was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

The following meeting today was changed:

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Judiciary Committee CHANGED TO:

45 min. after adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., April 26. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

Crystaline Jones Chief Clerk

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