

**SENATE JOURNAL**  
**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE**  
**THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE**  
**FIRST SESSION**

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Friday**

**April 26, 2019**

**One Hundred Second Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Giessel at 11:21 a.m.

The roll showed seventeen members present. Senators Begich, Reinbold, Shower were excused from a call of the Senate.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Kayla Epstein, Congregation Sukkat Shalom. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Author of Peace

It's Passover and with it the annual retelling of the story of the Jewish escape from Egypt and slavery.

Around the Passover table we talk of the flight from slavery so long ago but we also look at the trials of today. We ponder what those are. Some think of slavery as inescapable pain inflicted by outsiders: children living in abusive homes, human trafficking, or domestic violence. But we also may think of self-inflicted bondage such as addiction, codependence, or obsessions.

Some of these issues come before this body...and those in this building search to find solutions and right wrongs. For the work done

by those here, and for those throughout the world, we ask for the blessing of wisdom, energy, and resolve as we strive to do good.

May the Lord bless and keep those who strive to do good. Amen.

Senator Kawasaki led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Certification**

Senator Costello moved and asked unanimous consent the journals for the one hundredth and one hundred first legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

### **Messages from the House**

#### **SB 89**

Message dated April 24 was read stating the House adopted the report of the Free Conference Committee considering CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 89(JUD) and HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 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."

The bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment and enrollment.

Message dated April 24 was read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

### **First Reading and Reference of House Bills**

#### **HB 71**

HOUSE BILL NO. 71 am BY REPRESENTATIVES STORY, Shaw, Tuck, Revak, LeDoux, Jackson, Rauscher, Spohnholz, Vance, Kopp, Tarr, Stutes, Josephson, Zulkosky, Eastman, entitled:

"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."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

#### **SB 75**

The State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 75 "An Act relating to a license to drive a commercial motor vehicle." Signing do pass: Senator Coghill, Vice Chair; Senator Micciche. Signing no recommendation: Senator Reinbold.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Administration

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

#### **SB 80**

The Judiciary Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 80 "An Act relating to proposing and enacting laws by initiative." Signing do pass: Senator Hughes, Chair; Senators Micciche, Reinbold. Signing no recommendation: Senator Kiehl.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Office of the Governor

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

#### **HB 48**

The State Affairs Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 48(FIN) am "An Act removing from the exempt service of the state persons who are employed in a professional capacity to make a temporary or special inquiry, study, or examination as authorized by the governor and including those persons in the partially exempt service of the state; repealing the authority of the governor or a designee of the governor to authorize higher pay than is otherwise

allowable for certain partially exempt employees in the executive branch; requiring the commissioner of administration to submit a report to the legislature; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Coghill, Vice Chair; Senators Reinbold, Micciche.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:  
Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Administration

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

### **Consideration of the Calendar**

#### **Second Reading of Senate Bills**

##### **SB 95**

SENATE BILL NO. 95 "An Act approving the transfer of certain Alaska Railroad Corporation land; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Costello moved and asked unanimous consent the bill be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Without objection, it was so ordered.

SENATE BILL NO. 95 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SENATE BILL NO. 95 "An Act approving the transfer of certain Alaska Railroad Corporation land; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

##### **SB 95**

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date

**YEAS: 17 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Birch, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Hughes, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Excused: Begich, Reinbold, Shower

and so, SENATE BILL NO. 95 passed the Senate.

Senator Costello moved and asked unanimous consent the vote on the passage of the bill be considered the vote on the effective date clause. Without objection, it was so ordered and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

### **Citations**

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

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

Honoring - Muldoon Library  
Senator Wielechowski  
Representatives LeDoux, Spohnholz

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

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

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

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

Honoring - East Anchorage High School Football Team 2018 State Champions  
Representative Josephson

Honoring - Chris Block  
Representative Revak

Honoring - Dan Collins  
Representative Revak

Honoring - Carl Kancir  
Representatives LeDoux, Spohnholz  
Senator Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Kathie Smith  
Senator Wilson

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

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

In Memoriam - Robert Marshall  
Senator Bishop

In Memoriam - Rex Bishopp  
Representative Rasmussen  
Senator Costello

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

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **SB 75**

Senators Bishop, Micciche, Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on SENATE BILL NO. 75 "An Act relating to a license to drive a commercial motor vehicle." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from May 17 through May 21. Without objection, Senator Hoffman was excused.

**SB 95**

Senators Stedman, Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on SENATE BILL NO. 95 "An Act approving the transfer of certain Alaska Railroad Corporation land; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Stedman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on April 28 to evening plane time. Without objection, Senator Stedman was excused.

**Announcements**

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

**Engrossment****SB 95**

SENATE BILL NO. 95 "An Act approving the transfer of certain Alaska Railroad Corporation land; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

**Adjournment**

Senator Costello moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., April 29, 2019. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:41 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**

|               |   |                           |                |
|---------------|---|---------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Apr 30</b> | <b>Tuesday</b><br>No Meeting Scheduled  | <b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b> | <b>3:30 PM</b> |
| <b>May 02</b> | <b>Thursday</b><br>No Meeting Scheduled | <b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b> | <b>3:30 PM</b> |

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**EDUCATION**

|               |  |                      |                |
|---------------|--|----------------------|----------------|
| <b>Apr 29</b> | <b>Monday</b><br>-- Please Note Time & Location --<br>-- Joint Meeting with House Education --<br>+ Presentation:<br>"Continuation of K-12 Funding Considerations" by<br>Mark Foster, Financial Performance Analyst<br>-- Teleconference Listen Only --<br>**Streamed live on AKL.tv** | <b>Capitol 106</b>   | <b>8:30 AM</b> |
| <b>Apr 30</b> | <b>Tuesday</b><br>No Meeting Scheduled   | <b>Butrovich 205</b> | <b>9:00 AM</b> |
| <b>May 02</b> | <b>Thursday</b><br>No Meeting Scheduled  | <b>Butrovich 205</b> | <b>9:00 AM</b> |

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**FINANCE**

- Apr 26 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**  
 -- Recessed to 4:00 p.m. Today --  
 += HB 39 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS  
 += HB 40 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Apr 27 Saturday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**  
 -- MEETING CANCELED --  
 += HB 39 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS  
 += HB 40 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Apr 29 Monday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**  
 += HB 39 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS  
 += HB 40 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Apr 29 Monday Senate Finance 532 1:30 PM**  
 += HB 39 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS  
 += HB 40 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Apr 30 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**  
 + SB 91 NUYAKUK RIVER: HYDROELECTRIC SITE  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Apr 30 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 1:30 PM**  
 + SB 33 ARREST;RELEASE;SENTENCING;PROBATION  
 + SB 34 PROBATION; PAROLE; SENTENCES; CREDITS  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- May 01 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- May 01 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 1:30 PM**  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- May 02 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**FINANCE (continued)**

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| <b>May 02</b><br>+ | <b>Thursday</b><br>Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled | <b>Senate Finance 532</b> | <b>1:30 PM</b> |
| <b>May 03</b><br>+ | <b>Friday</b><br>Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled   | <b>Senate Finance 532</b> | <b>9:00 AM</b> |
| <b>May 03</b><br>+ | <b>Friday</b><br>Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled   | <b>Senate Finance 532</b> | <b>1:30 PM</b> |
| <b>May 04</b><br>+ | <b>Saturday</b><br>Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled | <b>Senate Finance 532</b> | <b>9:00 AM</b> |
| <b>May 05</b><br>+ | <b>Sunday</b><br>Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled   | <b>Senate Finance 532</b> | <b>9:00 AM</b> |

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**HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES**

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|---------------|--|----------------------|----------------|
| <b>Apr 26</b> | <b>Friday</b><br>No Meeting Scheduled    | <b>Butrovich 205</b> | <b>1:30 PM</b> |
| <b>Apr 29</b> | <b>Monday</b><br>No Meeting Scheduled    | <b>Butrovich 205</b> | <b>1:30 PM</b> |
| <b>May 01</b> | <b>Wednesday</b><br>No Meeting Scheduled | <b>Butrovich 205</b> | <b>1:30 PM</b> |
| <b>May 03</b> | <b>Friday</b><br>No Meeting Scheduled    | <b>Butrovich 205</b> | <b>1:30 PM</b> |

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**JUDICIARY**

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|--|---|---------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Apr 26</b><br>+= SB 52<br>+= HB 12<br>+<br>+= SJR 9 | <b>Friday</b><br>ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL; ALCOHOL REG<br>PROTECTIVE ORDERS<br>Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:<br>CONST.AM: APPROP. BILL FOR PUBL EDUCATION | <b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b> | <b>1:30 PM</b> |
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**JUDICIARY (continued)**

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|---------------|--|---------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Apr 29</b> | <b>Monday</b>                                    | <b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b> | <b>1:30 PM</b> |
| + SB 71       | 2019 REVISOR'S BILL                              |                           |                |
|               | -Invited Testimony Followed by Public Testimony- |                           |                |
| +             | Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled                 |                           |                |
| <b>May 01</b> | <b>Wednesday</b>                                 | <b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b> | <b>1:30 PM</b> |
| +             | Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled                 |                           |                |
| <b>May 03</b> | <b>Friday</b>                                    | <b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b> | <b>1:30 PM</b> |
| +             | Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled                 |                           |                |

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**LABOR & COMMERCE**

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|---------------|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Apr 30</b> | <b>Tuesday</b>       | <b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b> | <b>1:30 PM</b> |
|               | No Meeting Scheduled |                           |                |
| <b>May 02</b> | <b>Thursday</b>      | <b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b> | <b>1:30 PM</b> |
|               | No Meeting Scheduled |                           |                |

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**RESOURCES**

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| <b>Apr 26</b> | <b>Friday</b>                             | <b>Butrovich 205</b> | <b>3:30 PM</b> |
|               | No Meeting Scheduled                      |                      |                |
| <b>Apr 29</b> | <b>Monday</b>                             | <b>Butrovich 205</b> | <b>4:00 PM</b> |
|               | -- Please Note Time --                    |                      |                |
| + SB 90       | COOK INLET: NEW ADMIN AREA;PERMIT BUYBACK |                      |                |
| <b>May 01</b> | <b>Wednesday</b>                          | <b>Butrovich 205</b> | <b>3:30 PM</b> |
|               | No Meeting Scheduled                      |                      |                |
| <b>May 03</b> | <b>Friday</b>                             | <b>Butrovich 205</b> | <b>3:30 PM</b> |
|               | No Meeting Scheduled                      |                      |                |

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**STATE AFFAIRS**

**Apr 30**      **Tuesday**                                      **Butrovich 205**                      **3:30 PM**  
 + SB 116      **BALLOT CUSTODY/TAMPERING; VOTER REG**  
 +                      **Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled**

**May 02**      **Thursday**                                      **Butrovich 205**                      **1:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

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**TRANSPORTATION**

**Apr 30**      **Tuesday**                                      **Butrovich 205**                      **1:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

**May 02**      **Thursday**                                      **Butrovich 205**                      **1:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

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**JOINT COMMITTEES**

**ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**May 09**      **Thursday**                                      **Senate Finance 532**                      **11:30 AM**  
 +                      **Presentations by:**  
 - Brigadier General Torrence Saxe, The Adjutant General, Alaska National Guard Commissioner, Alaska Department of Military & Veterans' Affairs  
 - Name Pending, Representing the Lieutenant General, Alaska North American Aerospace Defense Region, Alaskan Command, Eleventh Air Force  
 - Colonel Adam Lange, Representing the Commanding General, U.S. Army Alaska  
 - Rear Admiral Matthew Bell, Commander, Seventeenth U.S. Coast Guard District