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Fourteenth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Stutes at 10:36 a.m.

Roll call showed 38 members present.

Representative Gillham had been excused from a call of the House today. Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the following member be excused from a call of the House. There being no objection, the member was excused as noted:

Representative Rasmussen – from today to 10:00 a.m., February 7

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

Please bow with me if that is your custom. I offer a prayer for sound government from the *Book of Common Prayer*:

O Lord our Governor, bless the leaders of our land, that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth.

To the president and members of the cabinet, to governors of states, mayors of cities, and to all in administrative authority, grant wisdom and grace in the exercise of their duties.

To senators and representatives, and those who make our laws in states, cities, and towns, give courage, wisdom, and foresight to provide for the needs of all our people, and to fulfil our obligations in the community of nations.

To the judges and officers of our courts give understanding and integrity, that human rights may be safeguarded and justice served.

And finally, teach our people to rely on your strength and to accept their responsibilities to their fellow citizens, that they may elect trustworthy leaders and make wise decisions for the well-being of our society; that we may serve you faithfully in our generation and honor your holy name, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative McCarty.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 10th, 11th, 12th, and 13th legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following were received:

Dept. of Administration
Monetary Terms of Agreement
Between the State and Alaska Correctional Officers Association
January 27, 2022
(as required by AS 23.40.215)

Dept. of Administration
Monetary Terms of Agreement
Between the State and Public Employees Local 71
January 27, 2022
(as required by AS 23.40.215)

The Speaker referred the monetary terms to the Finance Committee.

Alaska Court System
FY 2021 Annual Report
<https://courts.alaska.gov/admin/index.htm#annualrep>
(as required by AS 22.20.310)

Dept. of Health & Social Services
FY 2022 Operating Grants
<https://dhss.alaska.gov/fms/grants/Documents/Grant-Book/FY22-Grant-Book.pdf>
(as required by AS 18.25.110)

Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development
Nonresidents Working in Alaska - 2020
<https://live.laborstats.alaska.gov/reshire/nonres.pdf>
(as required by AS 36.10.130)

Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development
Technical and Vocational Education Program Report
State Fiscal Year 2021
(as required by AS 23.15.835)

Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities
Alaska Sustainable Energy Act
Annual Report
2021 Progress Report
January 2022
(as required by AS 44.42.067)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

HB 114

The Education Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 114

"An Act relating to the education loan program and Alaska supplemental education loan program; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (4): Cronk, Prax, Drummond, Story

No recommendation (1): Zulkosky

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

3. Zero, Dept. of Education & Early Development
4. Zero, Office of the Governor/Combined

HB 114 was referred to the Rules Committee.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HB 227

The House Special Committee on Energy considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 227

"An Act relating to municipal energy and resilience improvement assessment programs; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (4): Zulkosky, Claman, Fields, Schrage

No recommendation (2): Kaufman, Rauscher

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

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

HB 227 was referred to the Community & Regional Affairs Committee.

SJR 16

The House Special Committee on Fisheries considered:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 16

Calling on President Biden to immediately seek and secure an end to the embargo imposed by Russia on seafood imports from

abroad so that Alaska seafood producers' access to the Russian domestic seafood market is fully restored.

and recommends it be replaced with:

HOUSE CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 16(FSH)
Calling on President Biden to immediately seek and secure an end to the embargo imposed by Russia on seafood imports from abroad, or place a reciprocal embargo on Russian seafood entering the United States, until a reasonable trade agreement restoring Alaska seafood producers' full access to Russia's domestic seafood market is secured.

(HCR 8 - title change resolution)

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

Do pass (5): McCabe, Vance, Story, Kreiss-Tomkins, Stutes

The following fiscal note(s) apply to HCS SJR 16(FSH):

2. Zero, House Special Committee on Fisheries

SJR 16 was referred to the Rules Committee.

SJR 17

The House Special Committee on Fisheries considered:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17
Requesting the United States Trade Representative to bring a renewed focus on the plight of producers of seafood in the state and the United States and to compel China to comply with its commitment to increase its imports of seafood products from the United States.

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

Do pass (5): McCabe, Vance, Story, Kreiss-Tomkins, Stutes

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

2. Zero, House Special Committee on Fisheries

SJR 17 was referred to the Rules Committee.

A report of the Committee on Committees dated January 31 was received submitting amendments to the February 18 and 19, 2021 report and appointments (pages 99-100 and 184-185). Additional appointments are on pages 167-168, 184, 215-216, and 1706. The amendment follows:

Rules Committee: Rauscher replaces Eastman

Judiciary Committee: Shaw replaces Eastman

State Affairs Committee: McCabe replaces Eastman

HR 6

House Special Committee on Ways & Means: Shaw replaces Eastman

Select Committee on Legislative Ethics (alternate): Tilton replaces Eastman

The report was signed by Representative Stutes, Chair; and Representatives Edgmon, Tuck, Foster, Merrick, Shaw, and Tilton.

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adopt the Committee on Committees report.

Representative Eastman objected.

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent to table the Committee on Committees report. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

**INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE
OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS**

HCR 8

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8 by the House Special Committee on Fisheries:

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning Senate Joint Resolution No. 16, calling on President Biden to immediately seek and secure an end to the embargo imposed by Russia on seafood imports from abroad so that Alaska seafood producers' access to the Russian domestic seafood market is fully restored.

was read the first time.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 294

HOUSE BILL NO. 294 by Representative Kreiss-Tomkins, entitled:

"An Act establishing a private cause of action for unfair claim settlement practices; and amending Rules 79 and 82, Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure."

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

HB 295

HOUSE BILL NO. 295 by Representative Ortiz, entitled:

"An Act relating to the practice of dentistry; relating to dental radiological equipment; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 296

HOUSE BILL NO. 296 by Representatives Rauscher, Shaw, and Kreiss-Tomkins, entitled:

"An Act relating to program receipts; and relating to the acceptance of gifts, donations, and grants for the purpose of providing signage for assets under the control of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities."

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

HB 297

HOUSE BILL NO. 297 by Representative Hopkins, entitled:

"An Act relating to the duties of the Department of Health and Social Services; relating to child protection; and relating to children of active duty military members."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs and the Health & Social Services Committee.

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR**SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS****HB 118**

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 118

"An Act relating to state identifications and driver's licenses for persons in the custody of the Department of Corrections; relating to the duties of the commissioner of corrections; relating to living conditions for prisoners; and providing for an effective date."

with the:	Journal Page
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The Rules Committee submitted the following updated fiscal note:

2. Zero, Dept. of Corrections

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the following committee substitute be adopted in lieu of the original bill:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 118(STA)
(same title)

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that HB 118 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

There was objection.

CSHB 118(STA) will advance to third reading on the February 2 calendar.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Tuck 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 6:00 a.m., February 3 to 1:15 p.m., February 7

Representative Tilton – from 8:45 p.m., February 2 to 12:45 p.m., February 6

HB 48

Representative Hopkins added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 48

"An Act relating to eligibility for the Alaska performance scholarship program."

HB 118

Representatives Hannan, Fields, Tarr, Story, and Schrage added as cosponsors to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 118(STA)

"An Act relating to state identifications and driver's licenses for persons in the custody of the Department of Corrections; relating to the duties of the commissioner of corrections; relating to living conditions for prisoners; and providing for an effective date."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:00 a.m., February 2. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:31 a.m.

Crystalline Jones
Chief Clerk