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Forty-fourth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Stutes at 10:06 a.m.

Roll call showed 39 members present. Representative Patkotak was absent and later excused (page 1977).

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Reverend Gordon Blue of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Madam Speaker, members of the House, staff, and guests: Thank you for the privilege of sharing prayers with you on this holy day of the church. It is with the deepest respect for the religious beliefs of each person here, I invite you into a time of prayer and reflection. Let us pray:

Creator of all, by the example of the power of healing you bestow on every living thing. Lead us into a season of healing we can practice in the world we can reach out and touch. Teach us strategies of acceptance that do not require us to surrender integrity. Create and make in us new and contrite hearts for our own healing. Restore us to truth and awaken our forgiveness for ourselves and others. Reconcile us with those who have become separated from us. Remind us that our lives are created as are all others, and to dust we shall return. Amen.

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The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Shaw.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 42nd and 43rd legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

HSCR 2

The Health & Social Services Committee considered:

HOUSE SPECIAL CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2 Disapproving Executive Order No. 121.

The report was signed by Representatives Zulkosky and Snyder, Cochairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Spohnholz, Fields, Zulkosky, Snyder

Do not pass (2): Prax, McCarty

No recommendation (1): Kurka

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, House Health & Social Services Committee

HSCR 2 was transmitted to the Senate.

HB 30

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 30

"An Act relating to notice of workers' compensation death benefits; relating to the payment of workers' compensation benefits in the case of permanent partial impairment; relating to the payment of workers' compensation death benefits; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 30(FIN)

"An Act relating to the payment of workers' compensation benefits in the case of permanent partial impairment; relating to the payment of workers' compensation death benefits; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (7): Ortiz, Edgmon, LeBon, Thompson, Johnson, Josephson, Foster

No recommendation (3): Wool, Rasmussen, Merrick

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 30(FIN):

- 3. Zero, Office of the Governor/Various Depts.
- 4. Fiscal, Dept. of Administration
- 5. Fiscal, Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development

HB 30 was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 64

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 64 "An Act relating to regional fishery development associations; and relating to developing fishery management assessments."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 64(FSH) (same title)

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

Do pass (5): Ortiz, LeBon, Thompson, Johnson, Foster

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No recommendation (4): Rasmussen, Wool, Josephson, Merrick

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 64(FSH):

- 3. Zero, Dept. of Fish & Game
- 4. Indeterminate, Dept. of Fish & Game
- 5. Indeterminate, Dept. of Revenue

HB 64 was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 234

The State Affairs Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 234 "An Act relating to political contributions; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 234(STA) (same title)

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

Do pass (2): Claman, Kreiss-Tomkins

Do not pass (1): Eastman

No recommendation (2): Tarr, Story

Amend (2): Kaufman, Vance

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 234(STA):

1. Zero, Dept. of Administration

HB 234 was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 306

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 306

"An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Pharmacy; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Spohnholz and Fields, Cochairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Snyder, Nelson, Spohnholz, Fields

No recommendation (3): Schrage, Kaufman, McCarty

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

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

HB 306 was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 307

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 307

"An Act relating to the financing and issuance of bonds for a liquefied natural gas production system and natural gas distribution system; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Fields and Spohnholz, Cochairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (3): Schrage, Fields, Spohnholz

No recommendation (3): Kaufman, Nelson, Snyder

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

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

HB 307 was referred to the Finance Committee.

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HB 323

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 323 "An Act extending the termination date of the State Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Fields and Spohnholz, Cochairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (5): Snyder, Nelson, Schrage, Fields, Spohnholz

No recommendation (1): Kaufman

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

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

HB 323 was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would revert to:

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

A letter dated March 1 was read stating that, in accordance with AS 39.05.080, and art. III, secs. 26 and 27, Constitution of the State of Alaska, the Governor submits the following list of appointees for confirmation:

The Speaker referred the following to the Labor & Commerce Committee:

Board of Dental Examiners

Dominic Wenzell – GirdwoodAppointed: 3/1/2018Term Expired: 3/1/2022Reappointed: 3/1/2022Term Expires: 3/1/2026

A resume for the appointment is on file in the Chief Clerk's office.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would advance to:

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HB 299

The House Special Committee on Energy considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 299 "An Act relating to microreactors."

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

Do pass (4): Kaufman, Tuck, Rauscher, Schrage

No recommendation (2): Zulkosky, Claman

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Environmental Conservation

HB 299 was referred to the Resources Committee.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

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

In Memoriam - Randall James Blevins By Senator Bishop

In Memoriam - Lynette Marie Clark By Senator Bishop

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 90

The following, which was held from the February 28 calendar (page 1960), was read the second time:

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HOUSE BILL NO. 90

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

with the:

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L&C RPT 4DP 3AM	606
FN1: ZERO(GOV/COMBINED)	606
FN2: INDETERMINATE(REV)	606
FIN RPT 5DP 2NR	1760
FN3: ZERO(ADM)	1760
FN4: INDETERMINATE(REV)	1760

Amendment No. 1 was not offered.

Amendment No. 2 was offered by Representative Rasmussen:

Page 2, lines 22 - 23:

Delete "a vehicle licensing cost recovery fee," Insert "[A VEHICLE LICENSING COST RECOVERY FEE,]"

Page 2, line 25: Delete "AS 45.45.455" Insert "AS 45.45.455(a)"

Page 2, line 26:

Delete "Sec. 45.45.455. Vehicle licensing cost recovery fee."

Page 2, lines 27 - 30:

Delete "unless the vehicle licensing cost recovery fee represents a good faith estimate by the <u>vehicle</u> rental [CAR] business of the average daily cost to the <u>vehicle</u> rental [CAR] business of recovering its actual total annual licensing costs in the state during a calendar year"

Insert "[UNLESS THE VEHICLE LICENSING COST RECOVERY FEE REPRESENTS A GOOD FAITH ESTIMATE BY THE RENTAL CAR BUSINESS OF THE AVERAGE DAILY COST TO THE RENTAL CAR BUSINESS OF RECOVERING ITS ACTUAL TOTAL ANNUAL LICENSING COSTS IN THE STATE DURING A CALENDAR YEAR]"

Page 2, line 31, through page 3, line 10: Delete all material.

Page 4, following line 4: Insert a new bill section to read: "* Sec. 8. AS 45.45.455(b) and 45.45.455(c) are repealed."

Renumber the following bill section accordingly.

Representative Rasmussen moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 2 be adopted.

Representative Wool objected.

Representatives McCabe, Merrick, and Rasmussen moved and asked unanimous consent to abstain from voting because of a conflict of interest. Objection was heard, and they were required to vote.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 2 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 90 Second Reading Amendment No. 2

YEAS: 17 NAYS: 22 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Gillham, Kaufman, Kurka, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Merrick, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Shaw, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Vance

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnson, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon, Nelson, Ortiz, Prax, Schrage, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Absent: Patkotak

And so, Amendment No. 2 was not adopted.

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Patkotak be excused from a call of the House today. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 3 was offered by Representative Rasmussen:

Page 1, line 1, following "networks;" (title amendment): Insert "relating to the passenger vehicle rental tax;"

Page 1, following line 6:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"* Sec. 2. AS 43.52.020 is amended to read:

Sec. 43.52.020. Rate of passenger vehicle rental tax. The rate of the tax levied in AS 43.52.010 is

(1) three percent of the total fees and costs charged for the lease or rental of a passenger vehicle arranged or executed through a vehicle rental network;

(2) 10 percent of the total fees and costs charged for the lease or rental of <u>a</u> [THE] passenger vehicle <u>not arranged or executed though a vehicle rental network</u>."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 2, lines 4 - 5:

Delete "and "vehicle rental network" have the meanings" Insert "has the meaning"

Page 2, following line 5:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"* Sec. 5. AS 43.52.099 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

(6) "vehicle rental network" has the meaning given in AS 45.45.459."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Representative Rasmussen moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 3 be adopted.

Representative Wool objected.

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 3 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 1, line 9: Delete <u>"total fees and"</u>

Page 1, line 12: Delete "total fees and"

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 3 be adopted.

Objection was heard and removed. There being no further objection Amendment No 1 to Amendment No. 3 was adopted.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 3 as amended be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 90 Second Reading Amendment No. 3 as amended

YEAS: 17 NAYS: 20 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 2

Yeas: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Gillham, Johnson, Kaufman, Kurka, McCabe, McKay, Merrick, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Shaw, Snyder, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon, McCarty, Nelson, Ortiz, Prax, Schrage, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Vance, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Patkotak

Absent: Edgmon, Foster

And so, Amendment No. 3 as amended was not adopted.

Amendment No. 4 was not offered.

Amendment No. 5 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 3, line 28:

Delete "<u>person who</u>" Insert "<u>for-profit business that</u>"

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Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 5 be adopted.

Representative Fields objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 5 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 90 Second Reading Amendment No. 5

YEAS: 14 NAYS: 23 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 2

Yeas: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Gillham, Johnson, Kaufman, Kurka, McCabe, McKay, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Shaw, Tilton, Vance

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon, McCarty, Merrick, Nelson, Ortiz, Prax, Schrage, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Thompson, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Patkotak

Absent: Edgmon, Foster

And so, Amendment No. 5 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 6 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 1, line 2 (title amendment): Delete "liability for" Following "taxes;": Insert "relating to rental car fees;"

Page 2, following line 5:

Insert new bill sections to read:

"* Sec. 4. AS 43.52.099(2) is amended to read:

(2) "passenger vehicle" means a motor vehicle as defined in AS 28.90.990 that <u>has four wheels and</u> is driven or moved on a highway or other public right-of-way in the state, but does not include

(A) a commercial motor vehicle as that term is

defined in AS 28.90.990;

(B) emergency or fire equipment that is necessary to the preservation of life or property;

(C) a farm vehicle that is controlled and operated by a farmer, used to transport agricultural products, farm machinery, or farm supplies to or from that farmer's farm, not used in the operations of a common or contract motor carrier, and used within 150 miles of the farmer's farm;

(D) a recreational vehicle;

(E) a taxicab;

(F) a rental truck; in this subparagraph, "rental truck" means a motor vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating greater than 8,500 pounds that is designed, used, or maintained primarily for the transportation of personal property;

* Sec. 5. AS 43.52.099(3) is amended to read:

(3) "recreational vehicle" means

(A) a <u>four-wheeled</u> motor vehicle or trailer for recreational dwelling purposes;

(B) a <u>four-wheeled</u> motor home or other vehicle with a motor home body style;

(C) a **four-wheeled**, one-piece camper vehicle; and

(D) any other **<u>four-wheeled</u>**, self-propelled vehicle with living quarters;

(G) a vehicle provided by an automobile dealer to a customer as replacement transportation during warranty, recall, or service contract repairs if the dealer does not receive compensation from the customer; or

(H) a motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle as those terms are defined in AS 28.90.990;"

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 6 be adopted.

Representative Fields objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 6 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

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HB 90 Second Reading Amendment No. 6

YEAS: 15 NAYS: 22 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 2

Yeas: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Gillham, Johnson, Kaufman, Kurka, McCabe, McKay, Prax, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Shaw, Tilton, Vance

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon, McCarty, Merrick, Nelson, Ortiz, Schrage, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Thompson, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Patkotak

Absent: Edgmon, Foster

And so, Amendment No. 6 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 7 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 1, line 1, following "**networks**;" (title amendment): Insert "**and**"

Page 1, line 2: Delete "; and providing for an effective date"

Page 4, line 5: Delete all material.

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 7 be adopted.

Representative Fields objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 7 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 90 Second Reading Amendment No. 7

YEAS: 18 NAYS: 20 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Gillham, Johnson, Kaufman, Kurka, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Prax, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Shaw, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Vance

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon, Merrick, Nelson, Ortiz, Schrage, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Patkotak

Absent: Edgmon

And so, Amendment No. 7 was not adopted.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would recess until 1:15 p.m.; and so, the House recessed at 11:45 a.m.

AFTER RECESS

The Speaker called the House back to order at 1:32 p.m.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 90

The following was before the house in second reading:

HOUSE BILL NO. 90

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

Amendment No. 8 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 1, line 2 (title amendment): Delete "**liability for**"

Page 2, following line 5:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"* Sec. 4. AS 43.52.090 is amended to read:

Sec. 43.52.090. Exemption. The tax imposed in AS 43.52.010 - 43.52.099 does not apply to

(1) leases or rentals for official use to federal, state, or

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local government agencies or employees; or (2) the lease or rental of an electric bicycle."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 8 be adopted.

Representative Wool objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 8 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 90 Second Reading Amendment No. 8

YEAS: 18 NAYS: 20 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Gillham, Johnson, Kaufman, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Prax, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Shaw, Thompson, Tilton, Vance

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, Merrick, Nelson, Ortiz, Schrage, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Patkotak

Absent: Edgmon

And so, Amendment No. 8 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 9 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 1, line 2 (title amendment): Delete "**liability for**"

Page 2, following line 5:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"* Sec. 4. AS 43.52.090 is amended to read:

Sec. 43.52.090. <u>Exemptions</u> [EXEMPTION]. The tax imposed in AS 43.52.010 - 43.52.099 does not apply to leases or

rentals

(1) for official use to federal, state, or local government agencies or employees; or

(2) made by residents of the state."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 9 be adopted.

There was objection.

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment No. 9. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Edgmon be excused from the call of the House today. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 10 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 1, line 2, following "taxes" (title amendment): Insert "relating to the vehicle rental tax account;"

Page 4, following line 4: Insert a new bill section to read: "* Sec. 8. AS 43.52.080(c) is repealed."

Renumber the following bill section accordingly.

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 10 be adopted.

Representative Josephson objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 10 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

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HB 90 Second Reading Amendment No. 10

YEAS: 18 NAYS: 20 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Gillham, Johnson, Kaufman, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Nelson, Prax, Rauscher, Shaw, Thompson, Tilton, Vance

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, Merrick, Ortiz, Rasmussen, Schrage, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Edgmon, Patkotak

And so, Amendment No. 10 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 11 was offered by Representative Kurka:

Page 1, lines 1 - 2 (title amendment): Delete "relating to liability for" Insert "repealing the passenger vehicle and recreational"

Page 1, line 7, through page 2, line 5: Delete all material.

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 2, line 11: Delete "AS 43.52,"

Page 3, line 17:

Delete all material and insert:

"(2) "passenger vehicle" means a motor vehicle as defined in AS 28.90.990 that is driven or moved on a highway or other public right-of-way in the state, but does not include

(A) a commercial motor vehicle as that term is defined in AS 28.90.990;

(B) emergency or fire equipment that is necessary to the preservation of life or property;

(C) a farm vehicle that is controlled and operated by a farmer, used to transport agricultural products, farm

machinery, or farm supplies to or from that farmer's farm, not used in the operations of a common or contract motor carrier, and used within 150 miles of the farmer's farm;

(D) a recreational vehicle;

(E) a taxicab;

(F) a rental truck; in this subparagraph, "rental truck" means a motor vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating greater than 8,500 pounds that is designed, used, or maintained primarily for the transportation of personal property;

(G) a vehicle provided by an automobile dealer to a customer as replacement transportation during warranty, recall, or service contract repairs if the dealer does not receive compensation from the customer; or

(H) a motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle as those terms are defined in AS 28.90.990;"

Page 3, line 21:

Delete all material and insert:

"(4) "recreational vehicle" means

(A) a motor vehicle or trailer for recreational dwelling purposes;

(B) a motor home or other vehicle with a motor home body style;

(C) a one-piece camper vehicle; and

(D) any other self-propelled vehicle with living quarters;"

Page 4, following line 4:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"* Sec. 6. AS 43.52.010, 43.52.020, 43.52.030, 43.52.040, 43.52.050, 43.52.060, 43.52.070, 43.52.080, 43.52.090, and 43.52.099 are repealed."

Renumber the following bill section accordingly.

Representative Kurka moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 11 be adopted.

Representative Fields objected.

Representative Wool rose to a point of order regarding confining remarks to the amendment before the body.

The Speaker cautioned the member to confine remarks to the amendment.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 11 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 90 Second Reading Amendment No. 11

YEAS: 17 NAYS: 21 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Gillham, Johnson, Kaufman, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McKay, Nelson, Prax, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Shaw, Thompson, Tilton

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, McCarty, Merrick, Ortiz, Schrage, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Tuck, Vance, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Edgmon, Patkotak

And so, Amendment No. 11 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 12 was offered by Representative Kurka:

Page 1, line 1, following "networks;" (title amendment): Insert "relating to the passenger vehicle rental tax;"

Page 1, following line 6:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"* Sec. 2. AS 43.52.020 is amended to read:

Sec. 43.52.020. Rate of passenger vehicle rental tax. The rate of the tax levied in AS 43.52.010 is <u>three</u> [10] percent of the total fees and costs charged for the lease or rental of the passenger vehicle."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Representative Kurka moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 12 be adopted.

Representative Fields objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 12 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 90 Second Reading Amendment No. 12

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 19 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Gillham, Johnson, Kaufman, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Nelson, Prax, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Shaw, Thompson, Tilton, Vance

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, Merrick, Ortiz, Schrage, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Edgmon, Patkotak

And so, Amendment No. 12 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 13 was not offered.

Amendment No. 14 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 1, line 2 (title amendment): Delete "**liability for**"

Page 2, following line 5:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"* Sec. 4. AS 43.52.090 is amended to read:

Sec. 43.52.090. <u>Exemptions</u> [EXEMPTION]. The tax imposed in AS 43.52.010 - 43.52.099 does not apply to leases or rentals

(1) for official use to federal, state, or local government agencies or employees; or

(2) to a person who (A) is not a resident of this state; and

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(B) is in this state because the person is serving as a member of the armed forces of the United States."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 14 be adopted.

Representative Wool objected.

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 14 was offered by Representative Kurka:

Page 1, line 9: Delete: "federal,"

Representative Kurka moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 14 be adopted.

Representative Wool objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 14 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 90 Second Reading Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 14

YEAS: 13 NAYS: 25 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Carpenter, Eastman, Johnson, Kaufman, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McKay, Prax, Rauscher, Shaw, Thompson, Tilton

Nays: Claman, Cronk, Drummond, Fields, Foster, Gillham, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, McCarty, Merrick, Nelson, Ortiz, Rasmussen, Schrage, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Tuck, Vance, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Edgmon, Patkotak

And so, Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 14 was not adopted.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 14 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 90 Second Reading Amendment No. 14

YEAS: 17 NAYS: 21 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Gillham, Johnson, Kaufman, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McKay, Nelson, Prax, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Shaw, Thompson, Tilton

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, McCarty, Merrick, Ortiz, Schrage, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Tuck, Vance, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Edgmon, Patkotak

And so, Amendment No. 14 was not adopted.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would recess until 3:00 p.m.; and so, the House recessed at 2:32 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

The Speaker called the House back to order at 3:09 p.m.

Representative Rauscher moved and asked unanimous consent that the House revert to Introduction of Guests. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Rauscher moved and asked unanimous consent that the House advance to Second Reading of House Bills. There being no objection, the House advanced to:

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 90

The following was before the house in second reading:

HOUSE BILL NO. 90

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Amendment No. 15 was not offered.

Amendment No. 16 was offered by Representative Rasmussen:

Page 1, line 2 (title amendment): Delete "**liability for**"

Page 1, line 2, following "taxes;": Insert "relating to vehicle rental fees;"

Page 3, line 28, following "who": Insert "<u>(A)</u>"

Page 3, line 30, following "<u>state;</u>": Insert "<u>and</u> (B) rents four or more vehicles in the state;"

Representative Rasmussen moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 16 be adopted.

Representative Fields objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 16 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 90 Second Reading Amendment No. 16

YEAS: 20 NAYS: 17 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Gillham, Johnson, Kaufman, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Nelson, Prax, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Shaw, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Vance

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Foster, Hopkins, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, Merrick, Ortiz, Schrage, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Edgmon, Patkotak

Absent: Hannan

And so, Amendment No. 16 was adopted and the new title follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 90 am

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

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Hannan be excused from a call of the House today. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 17 was offered by Representative Rasmussen:

Page 3, following line 10:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"* Sec. 7. AS 45.45 is amended by adding a new section to read:

Sec. 45.45.457. Fuel costs. A vehicle rental business may not charge a renter more than 110 percent of the average market price of fuel in the community where the rental originated to fuel a rental vehicle."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Representative Rasmussen moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 17 be adopted.

Representative Wool objected.

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 17 was offered by Representatives Tarr and Rasmussen:

Page 1, line 5: Delete "110" Insert "150"

Representative Tarr moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 17 be adopted.

Representative McCabe objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 17 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

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HB 90 am Second Reading Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 17

YEAS: 13 NAYS: 24 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Kreiss-Tomkins, Merrick, Ortiz, Rasmussen, Snyder, Spohnholz, Stutes, Tarr, Tuck, Zulkosky

Nays: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Foster, Gillham, Hopkins, Johnson, Josephson, Kaufman, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Nelson, Prax, Rauscher, Schrage, Shaw, Story, Thompson, Tilton, Vance, Wool

Excused: Edgmon, Hannan, Patkotak

And so, Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 17 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 2 to Amendment No. 17 was not offered.

**The presence of Representative Hannan, who was excused (page 1993), was noted.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 17 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 90 am Second Reading Amendment No. 17

YEAS: 10 NAYS: 27 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Drummond, Kaufman, McCabe, Merrick, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Tarr, Tilton, Tuck, Zulkosky

Nays: Carpenter, Claman, Cronk, Eastman, Fields, Foster, Gillham, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnson, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, Kurka, LeBon, McCarty, McKay, Ortiz, Prax, Schrage, Shaw, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Thompson, Vance, Wool

Excused: Edgmon, Patkotak

Absent: Nelson

And so, Amendment No. 17 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 18 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 4, following line 4: Insert a new bill section to read: "*Sec.8. AS 43.52.020 is repealed effective January 1, 2027."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 18 be adopted.

Representative Wool objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 18 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 90 am Second Reading Amendment No. 18

YEAS: 20 NAYS: 18 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Gillham, Johnson, Kaufman, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Nelson, Ortiz, Prax, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Shaw, Thompson, Tilton, Vance

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, Merrick, Schrage, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Edgmon, Patkotak

And so, Amendment No. 18 was adopted.

Representative Josephson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House rescind previous action in adopting Amendment No. 16.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall the House rescind previous action in adopting Amendment No. 16?" The roll was taken with the following result:

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HB 90 am Second Reading Rescind Previous Action in Adopting Am No. 16

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 19 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Kreiss-Tomkins, Merrick, Ortiz, Schrage, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Nays: Carpenter, Cronk, Eastman, Gillham, Johnson, Kaufman, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Nelson, Prax, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Shaw, Thompson, Tilton, Vance

Excused: Edgmon, Patkotak

And so, Amendment No. 16 was not rescinded.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, HB 90 am will be held in second reading to the March 4 calendar.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HCR 9

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the following would be held to the March 4 calendar:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 Designating May 1 - 7, 2022, as Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week.

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Vance be excused from a call of the House today. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would revert to:

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

HB 322

The Transportation Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 322

"An Act relating to the Alaska marine highway system vessel replacement fund; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 322(TRA) "An Act relating to the Alaska marine highway system fund; relating to the Alaska marine highway system vessel replacement

fund; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (4): Hannan, Drummond, Stutes, Hopkins

Do not pass (3): McKay, McCabe, Cronk

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 322(TRA):

1. Fiscal, Office of the Governor/Fund Transfers

HB 322 was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 372

The Judiciary Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 372 "An Act relating to exemptions from minimum wage."

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

Do pass (4): Drummond, Kreiss-Tomkins, Snyder, Claman

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development

HB 372 was referred to the Labor & Commerce Committee.

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The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would return to:

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citation, In Memoriam - David John Witteveen.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall the House approve the citation, In Memoriam - David John Witteveen?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Approve Citation(s) on the Calendar In Memoriam - David John Witteveen

YEAS: 33 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 3

Yeas: Carpenter, Claman, Cronk, Drummond, Fields, Foster, Gillham, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnson, Josephson, Kaufman, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Nelson, Ortiz, Prax, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Schrage, Shaw, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Wool

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Edgmon, Patkotak, Vance

Absent: Kreiss-Tomkins, Merrick, Zulkosky

And so, the following citation was approved and sent to enrolling:

In Memoriam - David John Witteveen By Senator Stevens; Representative Stutes

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the remaining citations on the calendar. There being no objection, the following citations were approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring - Frederick George Hamilton, Sr. By Representative Kreiss-Tomkins; Senator Stedman

Honoring - The City of Craig's 100th Anniversary By Representative Kreiss-Tomkins; Senator Stedman

In Memoriam - Richard Baurick By Senator Kawasaki; Representative Wool

In Memoriam - Chief Donald Honea, Sr. By Senators Kawasaki, Olson; Representative Foster

SENSE OF THE HOUSE

The following Sense of the House was offered by Representatives Nelson, Tilton, Shaw, Gillham, LeBon, McCabe, Thompson, Carpenter, Cronk, Johnson, McKay, McCarty, Rauscher, Kreiss-Tomkins, Hopkins, Stutes, Snyder, Schrage, Drummond, Tuck, Fields, Spohnholz, Tarr, Wool, Josephson, Hannan, and Ortiz:

"WHEREAS Russia unlawfully invaded the independent and democratic country of Ukraine on February 24, 2022;

WHEREAS US military aid to Ukraine had been limited to non-lethal materiel until 2019, when President Trump authorized the sale of lethal arms;

WHEREAS the transfer of US lethal military aid to Ukraine has been repeatedly delayed, both by former President Trump for a period of 55 days in 2019 and by President Biden from April 2021 until after Ukraine President Zelenskyy's visit to Washington DC in August and again in December of that year; and

WHEREAS, after becoming a net energy exporter in 2019 and 2020, the United States has since returned to being a net importer of energy, becoming dependent once again on energy from foreign producers including the Russian Federation;

It is the Sense of the House that the Alaska House of Representatives acknowledges the right of Ukraine to exist as an independent nation, and condemns the unprovoked, unlawful, and unjustifiable invasion of Ukraine by the Russian Federation in the strongest possible terms.

It is further the Sense of the House that the Alaska House of Representatives recognizes the brave resistance by the free people of Ukraine for their example to the world of heroism in defense of liberty

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and self-determination. The Alaska House of Representatives salutes the free people of Ukraine for their bravery in the face of a seemingly overwhelming hostile force, and prays fervently for their ultimate victory.

It is further the Sense of the House that the United States of America can no longer afford to appease and enrich a power apparently bent on the subjugation of its free neighbors. Therefore it is the Sense of the House that President Biden and the United States government must immediately do the following:

- Resume on an ongoing basis, the regular and uninterrupted supplying of Ukraine with military aid including lethal aid suitable to counter Russian aggression;
- Support the membership of Ukraine in the European Union; and
- Promoting global energy independence from the Russian Federation, and domestic energy independence through the encouragement of domestic energy production of all types."

Representative Eastman objected.

The question being: "Shall the Sense of the House be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Sense of the House

YEAS: 34 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 2

Yeas: Carpenter, Claman, Cronk, Drummond, Fields, Foster, Gillham, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnson, Josephson, Kaufman, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Merrick, Nelson, Ortiz, Prax, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Schrage, Shaw, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Wool

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Edgmon, Patkotak, Vance

Absent: Kreiss-Tomkins, Zulkosky

And so, the Sense of the House was adopted.

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 Edgmon - from today to 11:00 p.m., March 6

Representative Carpenter – from 1:30 p.m., March 3 to 9:00 p.m., March 6

Representative Tuck – from 5:30 a.m., March 8 to 3:30 p.m., March 13

Representative Hopkins – from 8:00 a.m., April 22 to 8:00 p.m., April 25

HJR 29

Representative Kreiss-Tomkins added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 29

Urging the United States Congress to pass the Postal Service Reform Act of 2021; urging the United States Congress to pass the Postal Banking Act; and urging the United States Postal Service to continue delivering mail six days a week under historic delivery standards.

HJR 35

Representatives Rauscher and Tarr added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 35

Supporting the completion of the Northern Rail Extension; supporting the increase in defensive capabilities at Fort Greely, Alaska; and encouraging the development of critical Arctic infrastructure.

HB 203

Representatives Story and Drummond added as cosponsors to:

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HOUSE BILL NO. 203

"An Act establishing the offense of misconduct involving weapons in the sixth degree."

HB 265

Representative Gillham added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 265

"An Act relating to telehealth; relating to the practice of medicine; relating to medical assistance coverage for services provided by telehealth; and providing for an effective date."

HB 361

Representative Schrage added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 361

"An Act providing for a surcharge on oil produced in the state and delivered to a state that imposes a tax on fuel delivered to this state."

SB 32

Representative Schrage added as a cross sponsor to:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 32(FIN)

"An Act establishing the Alaska middle college program for public school students; relating to the powers of the University of Alaska; and providing for an effective date."

SB 71

Representatives Kreiss-Tomkins and Tarr added as cross sponsors to:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 71(FIN)

"An Act relating to special request registration plates celebrating the arts; relating to artwork in public buildings and facilities; relating to the management of artwork under the art in public places fund; relating to the powers and duties of the Alaska State Council on the Arts; establishing the Alaska arts and cultural investment fund; and providing for an effective date."

Messages dated February 28 were received stating the Speaker made the following appointments:

Council on Human and Sex Trafficking Representative Tarr

Alaska Food Security and Independence Task Force Representative Snyder

ENGROSSMENT AND ENROLLMENT

HR 11

The following was engrossed and enrolled, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and the engrossed and enrolled copies were transmitted to the Office of the Governor at 10:30 a.m., March 1:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 11 am

Urging the Washington House of Representatives and the Governor of the State of Washington to reject Senate Bill 5974, imposing a tax of \$.06 per gallon on gasoline and diesel fuel.

House Resolve No. 11

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

The following meetings today were changed:

Finance Committee CHANGED TO:

5 min. after adjournment

Labor & Commerce Committee

CANCELLED

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:00 a.m., March 4. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Crystaline Jones Chief Clerk