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Wednesday

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Eighty-sixth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Micciche at 11:06 a.m.

The roll showed nineteen members present. Senator Kawasaki was absent.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Julia Fonov, Senate Page. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Отче наш, сущий на небесах!
Да святится имя Твое;
Да приидет Царствие Твое;
Да будет воля Твоя и на земле, как на небе;
Хлеб наш насущный дай нам на сей день;
И прости нам долги наши,
Как и мы прощаем должникам нашим;
И не введи нас в искушение,
Но избавь нас от лукавого.
Ибо Твое есть Царство и сила и слава во веки.
Аминь.

Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth,
As it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
The power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen.

Senator von Imhof led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the journals for the eighty-fourth and eighty-fifth legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Begich moved and asked unanimous consent Senator Kawasaki be excused from a call of the Senate today. Without objection, Senator Kawasaki was excused.

Introduction of Senate Pages

Senator Stevens, Rules Committee Chair, introduced the 2021 Senate Pages as follows:

Chad Calhoon, Juneau
Julia Fonov, Wasilla
Jared Leonard, Wasilla
Nate Van Sickle, Juneau

Messages from the Governor

SJR 9

Message dated April 9 was read stating the Governor read the following resolution and transmitted the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's Office for permanent filing:

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9(L&C) am H Urging the United States Congress to exempt cruise ships from certain provisions of the Passenger Vessel Services Act and other applicable provisions of federal law for the period during which Canadian ports are closed to cruise ships carrying more than 100 people; and urging the President of the United States not to fine or take actions against cruise ships sailing to the state.

Legislative Resolve No. 1

Letter dated April 12 was read stating on January 19, 2021, in accordance with Article III, Sections 26 and 27 of the Alaska Constitution and Alaska Statute 39.05.080, I submitted a list of appointees for confirmation.

The following appointee has withdrawn from consideration, effective immediately:

Alaska Police Standards Council

Joseph White

Messages from the House

SB 70

Message dated April 12 was received stating the House passed and returned:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 70(HSS) "An Act relating to opioid overdose drugs; and providing for an effective date."

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

Communications

The following report is on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate:

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development
Alaska Energy Authority
Annual Capital Project Status Report
February 2, 2021
in accordance with AS 44.83.950

Standing Committee Reports**SB 9**

The Judiciary Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 9 "An Act relating to alcoholic beverages; relating to the regulation of manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers of alcoholic beverages; relating to licenses, endorsements, and permits involving alcoholic beverages; relating to common carrier approval to transport or deliver alcoholic beverages; relating to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board; relating to offenses involving alcoholic beverages; amending Rule 17(h), Alaska Rules of Minor Offense Procedure; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 9(JUD)

Signing do pass: Senator Reinbold, Chair; Senator Myers. Signing no recommendation: Senators Shower, Hughes. Signing amend: Senator Kiehl.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Alaska Judiciary System

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Commerce, Community,
and Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 3, Department of Commerce, Community, and
Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 4, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

Fiscal Note No. 5, indeterminate, Department of Revenue

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 23

The State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 23 "An Act relating to proposing and enacting laws by initiative." Signing no recommendation: Senator Shower, Chair; Senators Reinbold, Holland. Signing do pass: Senator Costello. Signing do not pass: Senator Kawasaki.

The following fiscal information was published today:

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

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

SB 61

The Resources Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 61 "An Act authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to modify a net profit share lease" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 61(RES) "An Act authorizing the commissioner of natural resources to modify a royalty or net profit share on a lease."

Signing do pass: Senator Revak, Chair; Senator Micciche. Signing do not pass: Senator Kawasaki. Signing no recommendation: Senators von Imhof, Bishop, Stevens. Signing amend: Senator Kiehl.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, indeterminate, Department of Natural Resources

Fiscal Note No. 2, indeterminate, Department of Revenue

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 77

The State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 77 "An Act relating to charitable gaming online ticket sales and activities." Signing no recommendation: Senator Shower, Chair; Senators Costello, Reinbold, Holland. Signing amend: Senator Kawasaki.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, indeterminate, Department of Revenue

The bill was referred to the Labor and Commerce Committee.

SB 89

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 89 "An Act relating to house rules for assisted living homes" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 89(FIN)

Signing do pass: Senators Stedman, Bishop, Cochairs; Senators Hoffman, Wilson, Wielechowski, von Imhof. Signing no recommendation: Senator Olson.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 93

The Health and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 93 "An Act relating to the establishment of an all-payer health claims database; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 93(HSS)

Signing do pass: Senator Wilson, Chair; Senator Begich. Signing do not pass: Senator Reinbold. Signing no recommendation: Senators Costello, Hughes.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Health and Social Services

Fiscal Note No. 3, zero, Department of Administration

The bill was referred to the Labor and Commerce Committee.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Resolutions

SJR 13

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13 BY THE SENATE
COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE,

Supporting broadband deployment in the state; recognizing the benefits of broadband; urging facilitation of broadband deployment; urging engagement with stakeholders; urging the United States Congress to include broadband in 2021 federal infrastructure legislation; and urging the Alaska delegation in Congress to advocate for flexible broadband funding parameters.

was read the first time and referred to the Community and Regional Affairs and Labor and Commerce Committees.

SJR 14

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14 BY SENATOR BEGICH,

Urging the United States Congress to reintroduce and pass legislation to establish a national infrastructure bank as was provided by H.R. 6422 from the 116th United States Congress to help finance urgently needed infrastructure projects across the nation.

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

Consideration of the Calendar

Citations

Honoring - Al & Isabel Milspaugh
Senator(s) Wielechowski
Representative(s) Spohnholz, Josephson

Honoring - Missy Simms
Representative(s) Tarr
Senator(s) Begich

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

Unfinished Business

Senator Begich moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on May 11 and May 12. Without objection, Senator Begich was excused.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from May 20 through May 30. Without objection, Senator Hoffman was excused.

Senator von Imhof moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from May 26 through June 1. Without objection, Senator von Imhof was excused.

SB 121

Senators Stevens, Begich, Costello, Wielechowski moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on SENATE BILL NO. 121 "An Act relating to pollutants; relating to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances; relating to the duties of the Department of Environmental Conservation; relating to firefighting substances; relating to thermal remediation of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substance contamination; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 10:30 a.m., April 16, 2021. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:19 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

Apr 15 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
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 Presentation - Assessing the Present and Looking to the Future, What are the Broadband Gaps in Alaska?
 by: University of Alaska - Mike Brase, Executive Director of Infrastructure & Cloud Services
 Denali Commission
 - Chad Stovall, Director of Programs
 - Erik Obrien, Community and Economic Development Program Manager
 Alaska Telecom Association - Christine O'Connor, Executive Director
 One Web - Lesil McGuire
 Pacific Dataport, Inc - Shawn Williams, Vice President of Government Affairs & Strategy for Pacific Dataport
 SpaceX Starlink - Patricia Cooper, Vice President, Satellite Government Affairs
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

EDUCATION

Apr 14 Wednesday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
 += SB 111 EARLY EDUCATION; READING INTERVENTION
 + SJR 10 CONST. AM: IN-PERSON PUBLIC EDUCATION
 <Bill Hearing Canceled>
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

EDUCATION (continued)

Apr 16 Friday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
 += SB 111 EARLY EDUCATION; READING INTERVENTION
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

FINANCE

Apr 14 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 += SB 55 EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO PERS
 += SB 89 ASSISTED LIVING HOMES: HOUSE RULES
 <Bill Hearing Rescheduled from 04/12/21>

Apr 14 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM
 -- Delayed to a Call of the Chair --
 += HB 76 EXTENDING COVID 19 DISASTER EMERGENCY
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 15 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + Workforce Development Overview: COVID-19 Funding
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 15 Thursday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 16 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Apr 15 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 += SB 38 NATUROPATHS: LICENSING; PRACTICE
 += SB 67 NURSING: LICENSURE; MULTISTATE COMPACT
 += SB 78 HEALTH CARE SERVICES BY TELEHEALTH
 += SB 80 PUBLIC SCHOOLS: MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY

Apr 14 **Wednesday** **Butrovich 205** **1:30 PM**
+ Consideration of Governor's Appointees:
 Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission
 Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar
+ SB 122 VICTIM DEFINITION
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
+= SJR 1 CONST AM: GUARANTEE PERM FUND DIVIDEND
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Apr 16 **Friday** **Butrovich 205** **1:30 PM**
+ SJR 4 CONST. AM: ABORTION/FUNDING
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

LABOR & COMMERCE

Apr 14 **Wednesday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **1:30 PM**
 -- Delayed until 2:00 PM --
+ SB 123 ENERGY INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM & FUND: AIDEA
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 Uniform Rule 23 Waived
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:
+= SB 6 RIP FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES/TEACHERS
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Apr 16 **Friday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **1:30 PM**
+= SB 6 RIP FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES/TEACHERS
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

RESOURCES

Apr 14 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + Consideration of Governor's Appointees
 Big Game Commercial Services Board:
 Ely Cyrus, Martin Boniek
 Board of Game:
 Jerry Burnett, Stanley Hoffman,
 Jacob Fletcher, Lynn Keogh Jr.
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Apr 16 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + Consideration of Governor's Appointees
 Board of Fisheries:
 John Jensen, Abe Williams, McKenzie Mitchell,
 John Wood, Marit Carlson-Van Dort
 Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission:
 Melvin Smith
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 Streamed live on AKL.tv
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

STATE AFFAIRS

Apr 15 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + Governor Appointees
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 += SB 39 BALLOT CUSTODY/TAMPERING; VOTER REG; MAIL
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

TRANSPORTATION

Apr 15 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 += HB 36 MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS: APPLIC.; INSURANCE
 += SB 103 AMHS OPERATION & PLANNING BOARD

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES

ADMINISTRATION

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| Apr 20 + | Tuesday Close-out | Senate Finance 532 | 12:30 PM |
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EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT

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| Apr 20 + | Tuesday FY22 Department of Education and Early Development Budget Closeout **Streamed live on AKL.tv** | Senate Finance 532 | 1:00 PM |
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| Apr 22 + | Thursday FY22 Department of Education and Early Development Budget Closeout **Streamed live on AKL.tv** | Senate Finance 532 | 1:00 PM |
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FISH & GAME

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| Apr 20 + | Tuesday Close-out | Senate Finance 532 | 1:15 PM |
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LAW

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| Apr 15 + | Thursday -- MEETING CANCELED -- FY 2022 Budget - Close Out -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- | Butrovich 205 | 5:30 PM |
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| Apr 22 + | Thursday FY 2022 Budget - Close out -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- | Butrovich 205 | 5:30 PM |
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PUBLIC SAFETY

- Apr 14** **Wednesday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **4:00 PM**
-- MEETING CANCELED --
+ FY 2022 Budget - Sub-committee Closeout
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
- Apr 21** **Wednesday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **4:00 PM**
+ FY 2022 Budget - Sub-committee Closeout
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
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JOINT COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

- Apr 28** **Wednesday** **Senate Finance 532** **5:00 PM**
-- Teleconference <Listen Only> --
Executive Session
- Preliminary Audit: Statewide Single Audit
- Oil and Gas Consultants Contract Amendments
Legislative Audit IT Audit Procurement
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REDISTRICTING BOARD

- Apr 16** **Friday** **By Teleconference** **2:30 PM**
+ -- Public Testimony --
- Adoption of Minutes from Past Meetings
- Request for Information for Voting Rights Act Consultant
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OTHER MEETINGS

MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS

- Apr 20** **Tuesday** **Butrovich 205** **12:00 PM**
+ Lunch & Learn:
A Different Approach to Mental Health
Crisis Response by Ann Ringstad, NAMI Alaska
Sponsored by Senator Revak