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One Hundred Fifteenth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Micciche at 10:51 a.m.

The roll showed fourteen members present. Senators Bishop, Revak were excused from a call of the Senate. Senators Gray-Jackson, Olson, Reinbold, von Imhof were absent.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Lieutenant Colonel Kirk Thorsteinson, Alaska Army National Guard. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Hallo' friends and honors to the Senate! We don't even have to try, it's always a good time here with you on behalf of the Adjutant General and Commissioner of Alaska's Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

Before I ask spiritual blessing on your day, as we observe *Military Appreciation Month*, on behalf of Alaska's Arctic Warriors I want to thank you for recently remembering, honoring, and celebrating the life of our sister, Colonel Justine Emerson. Let us pray.

My Sweet Lord, I invite and acknowledge Your presence with us on *Thor's day*. Continue to *mold* these Senators *into some kind of super group*, like *The Traveling Wilburys!* And as they and their team of supporters are *doing the best they can*, please *lend them a hand* so *everything'll work out fine* as this Session gets closer to the *End of the Line*. Give them grace to *remember to live and let live* and *the best they can do is forgive*, both others and themselves.

My Sweet Lord, just as *Bob Dylan* politely and respectfully declined to comply with the Ed Sullivan Show's desires this day in 1963, help those assembled today assertively preserve their uncompromising professional integrity, to *be strong even if others say they're wrong*.

And, *My Sweet Lord*, daily remind us to choose "*love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control*" as we interact with our neighbors.

Amen and God bless you!

Senator Kawasaki led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Begich moved and asked unanimous consent Senator Gray-Jackson be excused from a call of the Senate today through May 15. Without objection, Senator Gray-Jackson was excused.

Certification

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the journal for the one hundred fourteenth legislative day be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The presence of Senator von Imhof was noted.

Messages from the House

SB 143

Message dated May 11 was read stating the House passed and returned:

SENATE BILL NO. 143 "An Act relating to horizontal property regimes and common interest communities; and relating to mortgages, deeds of trust, and other property liens."

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

Message dated May 11 was read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 349

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 349(RES) BY THE HOUSE RESOURCES COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to the establishment of oil and gas drilling units, spacing, and patterns."

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

HB 357

HOUSE BILL NO. 357 am BY REPRESENTATIVES TARR, Drummond, McCabe, Josephson, entitled:

"An Act naming the Bragaw Street overcrossing of the Glenn Highway the Insook Baik Bridge; naming the Congressman Don Young Bridge; and relating to signage and informational displays for the bridges."

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

HB 358

HOUSE BILL NO. 358 BY REPRESENTATIVES EDGMON, Fields, Schrage, Foster, Hopkins, Spohnholz, Tuck, Patkotak, Cronk, Tarr, Josephson, Snyder, entitled:

"An Act relating to the renewable energy grant fund and recommendation program; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 402

HOUSE BILL NO. 402 BY THE HOUSE COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to identification requirements for contractors and home inspectors."

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

The presence of Senator Olson was noted.

Standing Committee Reports

SB 181

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 181 "An Act relating to identification requirements for contractors."

Signing do pass: Senator Costello, Chair; Senators Gray-Jackson, Stevens, Micciche.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

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

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 237

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 237 "An Act exempting certain ambulatory surgical center employees from overtime pay requirements; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Costello, Chair; Senators Gray-Jackson, Micciche. Signing no recommendation: Senator Stevens.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Labor and Workforce Development

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 99

The Finance Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 99 "An Act relating to the State Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board; relating to the practice of physical therapy; and relating to the practice of occupational therapy."

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

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

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

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 155

The Finance Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 155 "An Act relating to court-appointed visitors and experts; relating to the powers and duties of the office of public advocacy; relating to the powers and duties of the Alaska Court System; and providing for an effective date" and recommended the adoption of the Judiciary Senate Committee Substitute offered on page 1780.

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

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 3, Department of Administration

Fiscal Note No. 4, Alaska Judiciary System

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 168

The Finance Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 168 "An Act requiring the Department of Health and Social Services to provide and allow submission of an electronic application for certain state benefits; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 168(FIN) "An Act requiring the Department of Health to provide and allow submission of an electronic application for certain state benefits; and providing for an effective date."
(Title Change SCR 19)

Signing no recommendation: Senator Stedman, Cochair. Signing do pass: Senators Hoffman, Wilson, Olson, von Imhof.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:
Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Health and Social Services/Department of Health

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 307

The Finance 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."

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

The following previously published fiscal information applies:
Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 363

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 363(FIN) "An Act establishing the office of broadband; creating the broadband parity adjustment fund; establishing the Statewide Broadband Advisory Board; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 363(L&C)
"An Act relating to broadband; establishing the office of
broadband; providing for a broadband grant and loan
program; establishing the Statewide Broadband Advisory
Board; establishing community engagement task forces; and
providing for an effective date."
(Title Change SCR 20)

Signing do pass: Senator Costello, Chair; Senators Gray-Jackson,
Micciche.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:
Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Commerce, Community, and
Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Resolutions

SCR 18

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18 BY THE
SENATE LABOR & COMMERCE COMMITTEE,

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules
of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No.
227, relating to municipal energy and resilience improvement
assessment programs.

was read the first time and held on the Secretary's desk.

SCR 19

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19 BY THE
SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE,

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules
of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No.
168, requiring the state to provide and allow submission of an
electronic application for certain state benefits.

was read the first time and held on the Secretary's desk.

Consideration of the Calendar

Citations

Honoring - Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies 40th Anniversary
Representative(s) Vance

In Memoriam - Wilda Marston
Representative(s) Claman, Fields, Hannan

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

SB 107

Senator Stedman, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent Uniform Rule 23(a) be waived on SENATE BILL NO. 107 "An Act relating to the oil and gas production tax; relating to credits against the oil and gas production tax; relating to payments of the oil and gas production tax; relating to lease expenditures and adjustments to lease expenditures; making public certain information related to the oil and gas production tax; relating to the Department of Revenue; and providing for an effective date" for the Finance Committee meeting on May 13 at 9:00 a.m.

Senator Hughes objected.

The question being: "Shall Uniform Rule 23(a) be waived?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 107

Waive UR 23(a)?

YEAS: 12 NAYS: 4 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Begich, Hoffman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Myers, Olson, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Nays: Costello, Holland, Hughes, Micciche

Excused: Bishop, Gray-Jackson, Revak

Absent: Reinbold

and so, Uniform Rule 23(a) was waived.

HB 87

Senator Shower, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent Uniform Rule 23 be waived on CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 87(JUD) "An Act relating to electric-assisted bicycles" for the State Affairs Committee meeting today. Without objection, it was so ordered.

HB 358

Senators Hoffman, Kawasaki, Olson moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on HOUSE BILL NO. 358 "An Act relating to the renewable energy grant fund and recommendation program; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from July 5 through July 29. Without objection, Senator Hoffman was excused.

HB 87

Senator Kawasaki moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cross sponsor on HOUSE BILL NO. 87 "An Act relating to electric-assisted bicycles." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Recess

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in recess to a call of the Chair. Without objection, the Senate recessed at 11:16 a.m.

After Recess

The Senate reconvened at 4:19 p.m.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Stevens, Acting Majority Leader, moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., May 13, 2022. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Liz Clark
Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

May 12	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
+=	HB 298	ALASKA FOOD STRATEGY TASK FORCE	

May 17	Tuesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

EDUCATION

May 13	Friday	Butrovich 205	9:00 AM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

May 16	Monday	Butrovich 205	9:00 AM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

May 18	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	9:00 AM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

May 20	Friday	Butrovich 205	9:00 AM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

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FINANCE

May 12 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- MEETING CANCELED --
- + HB 265 HEALTH CARE SERVICES BY TELEHEALTH
 - Invited Testimony --
 - Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --
- + SB 124 MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES & MEDS
 - Invited Testimony --
 - Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --
- + HB 172 MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES & MEDS
 - Invited Testimony --
 - Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 12 Thursday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM

- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- + HB 265 HEALTH CARE SERVICES BY TELEHEALTH
- + SB 124 MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES & MEDS
- + HB 172 MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES & MEDS

May 13 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- Presentation:
Fiscal Update: Alexei Painter, Director,
Legislative Finance Division
- + SB 107 OIL & GAS PRODUCTION TAX; CREDITS
 - Invited Testimony --
 - Uniform Rule 23(a) Waived
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- **Streamed live on AKL.tv**

May 13 Friday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM

- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 14 Saturday Senate Finance 532 10:00 AM

- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 15 Sunday Senate Finance 532 11:00 AM

- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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FINANCE (continued)

May 16	Monday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+ HB 306	EXTEND BOARD OF PHARMACY Invited Testimony -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --		
+ HB 308	DEMENTIA AWARENESS & HEALTHCARE CAPACITY Invited Testimony -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --		
+ HB 322	AK MARINE HWY FUNDS, HIGHER ED INVES FUND Invited Testimony -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --		
+ SB 160	FLOOD INSURANCE Invited Testimony -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --		
+ HB 55	PEACE OFFICER/FIREFIGHTER RETIRE BENEFITS Invited Testimony -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --		
+ HB 177	REVISED PROGRAM: APPROPRIATIONS Invited Testimony -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --		
+= HB 169	APPROP: EDUCATION; PUPIL TRANSPORTATION Invited Testimony -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --		
+ HB 246	ACCESS TO MARIJUANA CONVICTION RECORDS Invited Testimony -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --		
+ HB 289	AK MARIJUANA INDUSTRY TASK FORCE Invited Testimony -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --		
+ HB 120	STATE LAND SALES AND LEASES; RIVERS <Pending Introduction & Referral> -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> -- -- Invited & Public Testimony --		
May 16	Monday	Senate Finance 532	1:00 PM
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
May 17	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
May 17	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	1:00 PM
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
May 18	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

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HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

May 12 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
-- MEETING CANCELED --
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 17 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
No Meeting Scheduled

JUDICIARY

May 13 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
+= HB 62 MARRIAGE: WITNESSES/SOLEMNIZATION/CONSENT
-- Public Testimony --
+= HB 325 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
-- Public Testimony --
<Pending Introduction & Referral>
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 16 Monday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 18 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
No Meeting Scheduled

May 20 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
No Meeting Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

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-- MEETING CANCELED --
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+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
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- May 16 Monday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 9:00 AM**
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 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
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- May 17 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 9:00 AM**
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 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv
- May 18 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 9:00 AM**
 -- Please Note Time Change --
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
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RESOURCES

- May 13 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM**
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 = SJR 11 SUPPORTING ROAD BELT ELECTRICAL LINE
 SB 244 HEARING ESTABLISH DRILLING UNITS/SPACING
 HB 349 HEARING ESTABLISH DRILLING UNITS/SPACING
 Streamed live on AKL.tv
- May 16 Monday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM**
 + HB 64 FISHERY DEVELOPMENT ASSOC.; ASSESSMENTS
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv
- May 18 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM**
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
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JOINT COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

May 12	Thursday	Adams 519	7:00 AM
+	Committee Business		
	a. Mat-Su Office Space Lease Renewal		
	b. Fairbanks Office Space Lease Renewal		
	c. FY2023 Software House International/Microsoft Enterprise Software Renewal Agreement		
	Committee Business - Executive Session		
	a. FY2023 Software House International/Microsoft "Enterprise Mobility + Security E5" Cybersecurity Enhancement Renewal		