

**SENATE JOURNAL**  
**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE**  
**TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE -- FIRST SESSION**

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Monday**

**March 26, 2001**

**Seventy-eighth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Halford at 11:19 a.m.

The roll showed fifteen members present. Senators Austerman, Pearce, Ward were excused from a call of the Senate. Senators Green, Therriault were absent.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, The Reverend C. Ronald Covey of the Douglas Community United Methodist Church. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

God of wisdom, throughout the ages those You have chosen to represent You have raised prophetic voices to reveal Your will to us. Having seen the truth, with boldness they spoke the truth. In these sessions, grant us the courage to see the truth, speak the truth and act with truth as those chosen and dedicated to represent our people and our land. Amen.

Senator Olson led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Certification**

Senator Leman moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the seventy-fifth through seventy-seventh legislative days, Senate Journal Supplement No. 3 and Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 6 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The presence of Senator Green was noted.

#### **Messages from the House**

Message dated March 23 was read, stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

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

##### **HB 110**

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 110(JUD) BY THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to driver's licenses and instructional permits; and providing for an effective date."

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

The presence of Senator Therriault was noted.

#### **Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills**

##### **SB 165**

SENATE BILL NO. 165 BY SENATOR AUSTERMAN, entitled:

"An Act imposing a tax on employment; and providing for an effective date."

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

#### **Consideration of the Calendar**

#### **House Resolutions in Second Reading**

##### **HCR 7**

CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7(HES) am Relating to proclaiming April 2001 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month, which had been held on reconsideration (page 791), was before the Senate in second reading with Amendment No. 1 pending (page 790).

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

CSHCR 7(HES) am  
Second Reading - On Reconsideration  
Amendment No. 1

**YEAS: 11 NAYS: 6 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0**

Yea: Cowdery, Donley, Green, Halford, Kelly, Leman, Phillips, Taylor, Therriault, Torgerson, Wilken

Nays: Davis, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Lincoln, Olson

Excused: Austerman, Pearce, Ward

and so, Amendment No. 1 was adopted.

Senators Ellis, Lincoln, Elton, Davis moved and asked unanimous consent to withdraw their names as cross-sponsors on the resolution. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question to be reconsidered: "Shall CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7(HES) am S Relating to proclaiming April 2001 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHCR 7(HES) am S  
Second Reading - On Reconsideration

**YEAS: 16 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0**

Yea: Cowdery, Davis, Donley, Ellis, Elton, Green, Halford, Hoffman, Kelly, Leman, Olson, Phillips, Taylor, Therriault, Torgerson, Wilken

Nays: Lincoln

Excused: Austerman, Pearce, Ward

and so, CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7(HES) am S passed the Senate on reconsideration and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

**Citations**

Honoring – Herb Didrickson

Representative(s) Wilson, Hudson, Williams, Kookesh

Senator(s) Taylor, Halford, Pearce, Green, Kelly, Austerman, Lincoln, Davis, Elton, Wilken, Hoffman, Leman

Honoring – Phillips Petroleum Company and Phillips Alaska, Inc., Celebrating 49 Years in the 49<sup>th</sup> State

Representative(s) Porter

Senator(s) Pearce, Halford, Green, Kelly, Taylor, Austerman, Lincoln, Davis, Elton, Wilken, Hoffman, Leman, Phillips

In Memoriam – Leo A. Land and Edna Land

Representative(s) Kookesh, Kott

Senator(s) Austerman, Halford, Pearce, Green, Kelly, Taylor, Lincoln, Davis, Elton, Wilken, Hoffman, Leman, Phillips

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

**Announcements**

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

**Engrossment****HCR 7**

CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7(HES) am S  
Relating to proclaiming April 2001 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month, was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

**Enrollment****SB 21**

SENATE BILL NO. 21 "An Act increasing the maximum civil fine that may be imposed by the State Medical Board as a disciplinary sanction" was enrolled, signed by the President and Secretary, Speaker and Chief Clerk and the engrossed and enrolled copies transmitted to the Office of the Governor with a Legislative Letter of Intent at 1:55 p.m., March 26, 2001.

**Adjournment**

Senator Leman moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., March 27, 2001. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

Heidi Vogel  
Secretary of the Senate

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**Announcements**

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**STANDING COMMITTEES**

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

**COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS**

**Mar 26      Monday                      Fahrenkamp 203              1:30 PM**  
No Meeting Scheduled

**Mar 28      Wednesday                      Fahrenkamp 203              1:30 PM**  
+    HB 118 SR. CIT./VETERAN PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION  
+    HB 156 MUNICIPAL DEBT FOR DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

**Mar 30      Friday                              Fahrenkamp 203              1:30 PM**  
No Meeting Scheduled

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**FINANCE**

**Mar 26      Monday                              Senate Finance 532              6:00 PM**  
-- Time Change --  
+    SB 133 PUBLIC SCHOOL EXIT EXAM  
+= SB 88 METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS  
Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 27      Tuesday                              Senate Finance 532              6:00 PM**  
-- Time Change --  
SB 136 RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT: BD./GRANTS/FUND  
SB 59 FEDERAL FUNDS TO MUNICIPALITIES FOR ROADS  
Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**FINANCE (continued)**

<b>Mar 28</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
SB 37	PHYSICIAN NEGOTIATIONS WITH HEALTH INSURE		
SB 143	RIGHT-OF-WAY LEASING ACT:APPLICATION COST		
SB 123	LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL:RAILROAD FACILITIES		
SB 104	AID TO VOLUNTEER SERVICES		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
<b>Mar 28</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
	-- Time Change --		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
<b>Mar 29</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
	University of Alaska Budget Closeout-		
	Committee of the Whole		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
<b>Mar 30</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
= HB 103	APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET		
= HB 104	APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET		
	Budget Subcommittee Reports		
	-- no public testimony --		
	-- no testimony by invitation --		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

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**HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES**

<b>Mar 26</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		
<b>Mar 28</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
+	AK Association School Administrators		
+	SJR 21 EXTEND FEDERAL TANF GRANTS		
+	SB 154 REPEAL SUNSET OF MENTAL HEALTH ASSISTANCE		
+	SB 1 FOUNDATION FORMULA INCREASE		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

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**JUDICIARY**

**Mar 26 Monday** **Beltz 211** **2:00 PM**  
-Meeting Postponed to Call of the Chair-  
+= HB 34 RULE AGAINST PERPETUITIES  
+ SB 145 VILLAGE PUB.SAFETY OFFICER PROGRAM

**Mar 28 Wednesday** **Beltz 211** **1:30 PM**  
+ HB 24 BOROUGH REVENUES FOR TOURISM MARKETING

**Mar 30 Friday** **Beltz 211** **1:30 PM**  
+ SB 60 FARM OPERATIONS:DISCLOSURE /NUISANCES

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**LABOR & COMMERCE**

**Mar 27 Tuesday** **Beltz 211** **1:30 PM**  
+ HB 150 INSURANCE PREMIUMS FOR RENTAL VEHICLES

**Mar 29 Thursday** **Beltz 211** **1:30 PM**  
+= SB 66 FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

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**RESOURCES**

**Mar 26 Monday** **Butrovich 205** **3:30 PM**  
No Meeting Scheduled

**Mar 28 Wednesday** **Butrovich 205** **3:30 PM**  
+ SB 156 BEST INTEREST FINDING UNDER AK LAND ACT  
+ SB 158 REPORT:STATE PARTICIPATE IN NAT GAS PIPE.  
+ SB 164 NO GAS PIPELINE OVER BEAUFORT SEA

**Mar 30 Friday** **Butrovich 205** **3:30 PM**  
+= SB 121 RIGHT-OF-WAY LEASING ACT  
+ SB 148 REMOTE WATER STORAGE FOR FIRE DEPARTMENTS  
+ SB 153 UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK LOAN FUND

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**RULES**

**Mar 27 Tuesday** **Fahrenkamp 203** **10:45 AM**  
SJR 15 CHILEAN FARMED SALMON

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STATE AFFAIRS

<b>Mar 27</b>	<b>Tuesday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Beltz 211</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
<b>Mar 29</b>	<b>Thursday</b> SB 147 STATE GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	<b>Beltz 211</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>

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TRANSPORTATION

<b>Mar 27</b>	<b>Tuesday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
<b>Mar 29</b>	<b>Thursday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>

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FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

<b>Mar 27</b>	<b>Tuesday</b> -- Rescheduled from 3/22/01 -- Budget Closeout	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
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COURT SYSTEM

<b>Mar 27</b> +	<b>Tuesday</b> Budget Closeout	<b>Terry Miller 104</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
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EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT

<b>Mar 28</b>	<b>Wednesday</b> Budget Closeout	<b>Terry Miller 104</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>
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## **FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)**

## HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

**Mar 26**      **Monday**      **Senate Finance 532**      **12:00 PM**  
-- Meeting Canceled --  
Budget Closeout

## LABOR & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

**Mar 27**      **Tuesday**      **Fahrenkamp 203**      **5:00 PM**  
-- Rescheduled from 3/20/01 --  
Budget Closeout

LAW

**Mar 27**      **Tuesday**      **Terry Miller 104**      **8:00 AM**  
Budget Closeout

## MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Mar 28      Wednesday      Fahrenkamp 203      8:00 AM**  
Budget Closeout

## NATURAL RESOURCES

**Mar 27**      **Tuesday**      **Beltz 211**      **5:00 PM**  
-- Time and Location Change --  
Budget Closeout

## PUBLIC SAFETY

**Mar 29      Thursday      Fahrenkamp 203      8:00 AM**  
Budget Closeout

## **FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)**

## SENATE BILL 48

**Mar 26**   **Monday**   **Senate Finance 532**   **4:00 PM**  
+ SB 48 MUNICIPALITIES:INCORP/PROPERTY VALUATION  
Public Testimony

## **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

## WORLD TRADE AND STATE/FEDERAL RELATIONS

**Mar 27**      **Tuesday**      **House Finance 519**      **8:30 AM**  
Joint w/House Economic Development Trade and Tourism  
Northwest Territories Delegation:  
Partnership Opportunities for Economic Development

## JOINT COMMITTEES

## ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION REVIEW

<b>Mar 27</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Capitol 102</b>	<b>2:45 PM</b>
+	Review of proposed/approved regulations		
+	Proposed Pioneers' Homes rate increases		

## LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

**Mar 29 Thursday House Finance 519 12:00 PM**  
Executive Session: Final Audit Reports  
Audit Reports, Audit Requests

**Apr 02**      **Monday**      **House Finance 519**      **12:00 PM**  
Rep Gail Phillips:  
Regional Learning Center Study

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## OTHER MEETINGS

## CHILDREN'S CAUCUS

<b>Mar 27</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Fahrenkamp 203</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
+	-- Teleconference <Listen Only> --		
	Victims for Justice: Grief Recovery for Children and Adults		
<b>Apr 03</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Fahrenkamp 203</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
+	Child Abuse Prevention Network		

## JOINT SESSION

**Apr 11      Wednesday      House Chamber      11:00 AM**  
US Senator Ted Stevens' Annual Message