

# SENATE JOURNAL

## ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

### TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE -- FIRST SESSION

Juneau, Alaska

Monday

April 14, 2003

#### Eighty-fourth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Therriault at 11:15 a.m.

The roll showed nineteen members present. Senator Guess was excused from a call of the Senate.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Father Thomas Weise of the St. Paul's Catholic Church. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Canticle of Brother Sun:

Most high, all-powerful, all good, Lord!  
All praise is Yours, all glory, all honor  
And all blessing.

To You, alone, Most High, do they belong.  
No mortal lips are worthy  
To pronounce Your name.

All praise be Yours, my Lord, through all that You  
have made.  
And first my Lord, Brother Sun,  
Who brings the day; and light You give to us through  
him.

How beautiful is he, how radiant in all his splendor!  
Of You, Most High, he bears the likeness.

All praise be Yours, my Lord, through Sister Moon  
and Stars;

In the heavens You have made them, bright  
And precious and fair.

All praise be Yours, my Lord, through Brothers Wind  
and Air,  
And fair and stormy, all the weather's moods,  
By which You cherish all that You have made.

All praise be Yours, my Lord, through Sister Water,  
So useful, lowly, precious and pure.

All praise be Yours, my Lord, through Brother Fire,  
Through whom You brighten up the night.  
How beautiful is he, how gay! Full of power and  
strength.

All praise be Yours, my Lord, through Sister Earth,  
our mother,  
Who feeds us in her sovereignty and produces  
Various fruits with colored flowers and herbs.

All praise be Yours, my Lord, through those who  
grant pardon,  
For love of You; through those who endure  
Sickness and trial.

Happy those who endure in peace,  
By You, Most High, they will be crowned.

All praise be Yours, my Lord, through Sister Death,  
From whose embrace no mortal can escape.

Woe to those who die in mortal sin!  
Happy those she finds doing Your will!  
The second death can do no harm to them.

Praise and bless my Lord, and give Him thanks,  
and serve Him with great humility.

- St. Francis of Assisi

Senator Cowdery led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Certification**

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the eighty-first through eight-third legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

### **Messages from the Governor**

#### **HB 68**

Message dated and received April 11 was read, stating the Governor signed the following bill and transmitted the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's Office for permanent filing:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 68(JUD) "An Act relating to the jurisdiction of the office of victims' rights."

Chapter 6, SLA 2003  
Effective Date: July 10, 2003

#### **HB 58**

Message dated and received April 11, was read, stating the Governor signed the following bill and transmitted the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's Office for permanent filing:

HOUSE BILL NO. 58 "An Act relating to the reinstatement of Native corporations; and providing for an effective date."

Chapter 7, SLA 2003  
Effective Date: April 12, 2003

**Messages from the House****SCR 7**

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7  
Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e),  
Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature,  
concerning House Bill No. 71, relating to the Board  
of Certified Direct- Entry Midwives.

The resolution was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

**SB 79**

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

SENATE BILL NO. 79 "An Act extending the  
termination date of the Alaska Minerals  
Commission."

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

**HB 71**

Message dated April 11 was read, stating the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 71 "An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives," thus adopting:

SENATE CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 71(FIN) "An  
Act extending the termination date of the Board of  
Certified Direct-Entry Midwives; and relating to the  
regulation of certified direct-entry midwives."  
(Title change authorized by SCR 7.)

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

**First Reading and Reference of House Bills****HB 81**

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 81(STA) BY THE HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to motor vehicle emissions and to inspection decals and fines relating to motor vehicle emissions; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Transportation and State Affairs Committees.

**HB 159**

HOUSE BILL NO. 159 BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act relating to the frequency of examinations of certain persons licensed to engage in the business of making loans of money, credit, goods, or things in action; repealing the requirement for a state examination and evaluation of the Alaska Commercial Fishing and Agriculture Bank; and providing for an effective date."

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

**Standing Committee Reports****SB 142**

The Resources Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 142 "An Act designating the Department of Natural Resources as lead agency for resource development projects; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 142(RES)  
(forthcoming)

Signing do pass: Senator Ogan, Chair; Senators Ben Stevens, Wagoner, Dyson. Signing no recommendation: Senator Elton.

The following fiscal information was published today:  
Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Environmental Conservation

The following previously published fiscal information applies:  
Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Natural Resources

President Therriault added a referral to the Finance Committee.

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

**SB 160**

The Health, Education and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 160 "An Act relating to civil liability for use or attempted use of an automated external defibrillator; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 160(HES)

Signing do pass: Senator Dyson, Chair; Senators Green, Wilken, Davis.

The following fiscal information was published today:  
Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Law

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

**Introduction and Reference of  
Senate Resolutions**

**SJR 17**

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17 BY SENATOR OLSON,

Relating to the Alaska-Yukon Intergovernmental Relations Accord, to annual legislative exchanges, and to continuing intergovernmental work on matters of joint concern and mutual interest.

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

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

#### **SB 186**

SENATE BILL NO. 186 BY SENATOR TAYLOR, entitled:

"An Act relating to authorizing charitable gaming permittees to use up to five electronic gaming machines at certain locations with certain liquor licenses or certain other places where access is restricted to persons 21 years of age or older as an authorized form of charitable gaming; limiting the maximum number of electronic gaming machines for which a vendor may have an endorsement to not more than 10; relating to licensing manufacturers and distributors of electronic gaming machines; relating to local prohibition of electronic gaming; limiting the authority of municipalities to tax electronic gaming machines; relating to penalties concerning charitable gaming; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date."

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

#### **SB 187**

SENATE BILL NO. 187 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act relating to elections, questioned ballots and questioned voters, voter registration, training of election officials, preparation of election materials, voter identification, absentee voting, counting ballots, and the primary election; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs and Finance Committees.

The following fiscal information was published today:

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

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Administration

Governor's transmittal letter dated April 11, 2003:

Dear President Therriault:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to elections.

This bill would amend the state election code statutes as required to comply with a recently enacted federal law, the "Help America Vote Act of 2002" (HAVA), P.L. 107-252 (H.R. 3295). The HAVA was enacted to improve the states' administration of federal elections after problems with the administration of those elections by certain states was brought to light during the 2000 presidential election. Many of the reforms set out in the HAVA are intended to protect against election fraud and to ensure that the votes of all persons entitled to vote are counted.

All of the states are required to comply with the HAVA, including amending state laws to comply. To comply with the timelines in the HAVA, this bill must be passed by the legislature and enacted into law this year. Upon certification of compliance with the HAVA, each state is eligible to receive various payments from the federal government to use in implementing the requirements of the HAVA. Alaska is projected to receive payments of approximately \$5,000,000 per year for three years to implement the HAVA.

Alaska is fortunate because our modern state election code already includes many of the requirements of the HAVA, such as a statewide voter registration information database and provisional ("questioned") voting. However, the state election code does not contain a few of the measures required by the HAVA -- this bill would make the necessary amendments. A detailed description of those amendments follows.

First, all sections in the election code that refer to "questioned ballots" would be amended to refer to "provisional ballots." The two terms are synonymous, but the change would conform to the HAVA's use of the



term "provisional" ballots.

In sec. 2 of the bill, AS 15.07.055 would be amended to add a new subsection to require the director of elections to enter into an agreement with the Department of Administration, for motor vehicle information, and the Department of Revenue, for permanent fund dividend information, to match information with the division of elections (division) for first-time voter registrants who are registering by mail, facsimile, or other electronic transmission. This amendment is required by sec. 303(b)(3)(B)(ii) of the HAVA.

Sections 3 and 6 of the bill would amend AS 15.07.060 to require that applicants for voter registration supply certain additional information - - an Alaska driver's license or identification card number, or the last four digits of the applicant's social security number, if any of those numbers have been issued to the applicant. Under the bill, an applicant also would have to provide his or her date of birth. Persons who apply for registration for the first time by mail also would have to provide one of the identifying numbers, and date of birth, that can be verified through state agency records described in sec. 2 of the bill. If such an applicant has not been issued any of the identifying numbers, the applicant may alternatively submit a copy of a photo identification. For any applicant for voter registration who has not been issued any of the required identifying numbers, the division would issue to the applicant a unique identifying number. These amendments are required by secs. 303(a)(5)(A)(i) and (ii), 303(a)(5)(B)(i), 303(b)(4)(A), and 303(b)(4)(B) of the HAVA.

The changes made by sec. 7 of the bill relate to procedures for providing a voter registration card to a voter who registers by mail, facsimile, or other electronic transmission, and are to conform to the HAVA's identification requirements for such voters.

Section 9 of the bill would amend AS 15.07.070(h) to require voter registration proof of identification information on the voter's certificate for voting an absentee in-person ballot. This amendment is required by sec. 303(b) of the HAVA.

Section 13 of the bill would amend AS 15.15.040 to require that certain information be available at polling places, such as how to cast

a provisional ballot, instructions for first-time voters, prohibitions on fraud, and how to report violations. This amendment is required by sec. 302(b)(2) of the HAVA.

Section 14 of the bill would amend AS 15.15.198 to require that a voter who casts a provisional ballot receive information on whether the ballot was counted. This amendment is required by sec. 302 of the HAVA.

Section 16 of the bill would amend AS 15.15.225 to specify the forms of identification that a voter must exhibit at the polls before voting. These amendments are required by secs. 303(b)(1) and 303(b)(2)(A)(i) and (ii) of the HAVA.

Section 18 of the bill would amend AS 15.15.360(a) on the rules for counting ballots, to provide a uniform definition of what constitutes a vote as required by sec. 302(a)(6) of the HAVA.

Section 21 of the bill would amend AS 15.20.081(f) to require that first-time voters who initially registered by mail, facsimile, or other electronic transmission and who are voting absentee by mail, must provide certain identifying information if they have not already provided identifying information specified by AS 15.07.060. Section 21 also would make it mandatory, rather than discretionary, that the director of elections, by regulation, require proof of identification for any voter who votes absentee by mail - - existing regulations already provide for that identification requirement. These amendments are required by sec. 303(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the HAVA.

Section 22 of the bill would amend AS 15.20.081 to add a new subsec. (i) to allow the absentee ballot applications of absent uniformed services voters and absent overseas voters to be valid through the next two federal elections. This amendment is required by sec. 704 of the HAVA.

Section 25 of the bill would amend AS 15.20.203(b) to specify that the absentee ballot of a first-time voter who registered by mail, facsimile, or other electronic transmission will not be counted if the proper identification has not been provided. This amendment is required by sec. 302(b)(2) of the HAVA.

Section 26 of the bill would repeal and reenact AS 15.20.203(h) to provide for a free access system for absentee voters to use to determine whether their ballot was counted. An example of a free access system is a toll-free phone number for voters to call. The free access system would replace the current system of mailing individual notice to voters. This change is required by sec. 302(b)(2) of the HAVA.

Section 29 of the bill would amend AS 15.20.207(b) to specify that the provisional ballot of a first-time voter who registered by mail, facsimile, or other electronic transmission will not be counted if the proper identification has not been provided. This amendment is required by secs. 302(a)(5)(A), 303(b)(1), 303(b)(2)(A)(i) and (ii), and 303(b)(3)(B) of the HAVA.

Section 35 of the bill would repeal and reenact AS 15.20.207(h) to require a free access system, as described above, for voters to use to determine whether their provisional ballot was counted. This change is required by sec. 302(a)(5)(B) of the HAVA.

Section 41 of the bill would repeal statutes that are no longer necessary due to the changes described above.

Other changes proposed in the bill are not required by the HAVA. Section 4 of the bill would make "housekeeping" changes to AS 15.07.060(b) regarding voter registration or identification cards from another jurisdiction. Section 5 of the bill would amend AS 15.07.060(c) to allow for additional acceptable forms of identification for in-person voter registration. Section 8 of the bill would make "housekeeping" changes to AS 15.07.070(d). Section 12 of the bill would amend AS 15.10.107 to update the statute and reflect current division practices. Section 16 of the bill includes the repeal of language allowing additional forms of voter identification to be prescribed by regulation. Section 23 of the bill would amend AS 15.20.082(a), regarding special absentee ballots, to expand the group eligible to use these ballots to include persons in remote areas of Alaska; this change would duplicate the changes proposed by SB 24, introduced on January 23, 2003. Sections 25 and 29 of the bill would amend AS 15.20.203(b) and 15.20.207(b), respectively, to specify that

absentee in-person ballots and provisional ballots will not be counted if the voter has not provided the proper identification and was not personally known by the election official. Sections 38 - 40 of the bill would amend statutes regarding the primary election by replacing the terms "nonpartisan" and "undeclared" with the term "unaffiliated" in identifying voters who are not affiliated with a political party, to streamline references to such voters.

This bill must be enacted this year in order to comply with the timelines for various requirements set out in the HAVA. Therefore, I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

/s/

Frank H. Murkowski  
Governor

### **Consideration of the Calendar**

#### **Second Reading of Senate Bills**

##### **SB 139**

SENATE BILL NO. 139 "An Act repealing the termination date of the Alaska salmon price report program; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the bill be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Without objection, it was so ordered.

SENATE BILL NO. 139 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SENATE BILL NO. 139 "An Act repealing the termination date of the Alaska salmon price report program; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 139

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date

**YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Hoffman, Lincoln, Ogan, Olson, Seekins, Stevens B, Stevens G, Taylor, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

Excused: Guess

and so, SENATE BILL NO. 139 passed the Senate.

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the vote on the passage of the bill be considered the vote on the effective date clause. Without objection, it was so ordered and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

### **Second Reading of House Bills**

#### **HB 82**

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 82(L&C) "An Act making certain activity related to commercial electronic mail unlawful and an unfair method of competition or an unfair or deceptive act or practice under the Act enumerating unfair trade practices and consumer protections" was read the second time.

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the bill be advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Without objection, it was so ordered.

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 82(L&C) was read the third time.

Senators Ellis, Elton, Davis, Seekins, Wagoner, Lincoln, French, Gary Stevens, Dyson, Taylor, Ogan, Cowdery, Bunde, Wilken, Olson, Green, Ben Stevens, Therriault moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on the bill. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 82(L&C) "An Act making certain activity related to commercial electronic mail unlawful and an unfair method of competition or an unfair or deceptive act or practice under the Act enumerating unfair trade practices and consumer protections" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 82(L&C)

Third Reading - Final Passage

**YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Hoffman, Lincoln, Ogan, Olson, Seekins, Stevens B, Stevens G, Taylor, Therriault, Wagoner, Wilken

Excused: Guess

and so, CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 82(L&C) passed the Senate, was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

### Citations

Honoring – National Correctional Officers' Week, May 4-10

Senator(s) Wagoner, Therriault, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Taylor, Wilken

Honoring – Colonel Randy Crawford, Alaska State Troopers, Retirement

Senator(s) Wagoner, Therriault, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Elton, French, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Olson, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Taylor, Wilken

Honoring – Mrs. Rica Niemi Swanson

Senator(s) Green, Therriault, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Elton, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Taylor, Wilken

Honoring – Noorvik Bears, Class 1A Boys State Basketball Champions

Representative(s) Joule

Senator(s) Olson, Therriault, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Taylor, Wilken

Honoring – Diane Palmer

Representative(s) Williams

Senator(s) Taylor, Therriault, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Elton, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Olson, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Wilken

In Memoriam – Thelma L. Isaacs

Senator(s) Wagoner, Therriault, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Elton, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Taylor, Wilken

In Memoriam – Jimmie "Chief" Reed

Representative(s) Crawford, Gara

Senator(s) Davis, Ellis, Therriault, Bunde, Cowdery, Dyson, Elton, French, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Lincoln, Olson, Seekins, Ben Stevens, Gary Stevens, Taylor, Wilken

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

### **Unfinished Business**

Senator Lincoln moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on April 15. Without objection, Senator Lincoln was excused.

### **SB 160**

Senators Wilken, Dyson, Davis, Seekins, Bunde, Cowdery, Green, Wagoner moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on SENATE BILL NO. 160 "An Act relating to civil liability for use or attempted use of an automated external defibrillator; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

**HCR 2**

The reconsideration on SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2(CRA) Relating to the extension of the Alaska Railroad to Delta Junction and Fort Greely to support expanding resource development, agricultural, and military activities, was not taken up this legislative day and the resolution was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

**EO 106**

In accordance with Article III, Section 23 of the Alaska Constitution, action was not taken on the following Executive Order and it was returned to the Governor's Office at 10:05 a.m. on April 14, 2003:

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 106

Transferring the Alaska Coastal Policy Council from the Office of the Governor to the Department of Natural Resources.

**EO 107**

In accordance with Article III, Section 23 of the Alaska Constitution, action was not taken on the following Executive Order and it was returned to the Governor's Office at 10:05 a.m. on April 14, 2003:

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 107

Transferring certain functions relating to the protection of fish habitat in rivers, lakes, and streams of the state, and related functions regarding fish and game protection, from the Department of Fish and Game to a deputy commissioner of natural resources.

**Announcements**

Announcements are at the end of the journal.



**Engrossment****SB 139**

SENATE BILL NO. 139 "An Act repealing the termination date of the Alaska salmon price report program; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

**HCR 2**

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2(CRA) Relating to the extension of the Alaska Railroad to Delta Junction and Fort Greely to support expanding resource development, agricultural, and military activities, was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

**Adjournment**

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., April 15, 2003. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

Kirsten Waid  
Secretary of the Senate

June 2003

**Announcements**

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**STANDING COMMITTEES**

+ indicates teleconference  
 = indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

**COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS**

<b>Apr 14</b>	<b>Monday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Fahrenkamp 203</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
<b>Apr 16</b>	<b>Wednesday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Fahrenkamp 203</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
<b>Apr 18</b>	<b>Friday</b> No Meeting Scheduled	<b>Fahrenkamp 203</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>

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**FINANCE**

<b>Apr 14</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
SB 35	APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS		
HB 75	APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS		
SB 36	APPROP:MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET		
HB 76	APPROP:MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET		
	Reports from Budget Subcommittees		
	<No Public Testimony>		
	<Testimony by Invitation Only>		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

**FINANCE (continued)****Apr 14 Monday Senate Finance 532 4:00 PM**

SB 35 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS  
 HB 75 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS  
 SB 36 APPROP:MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET  
 HB 76 APPROP:MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET  
 Reports from Budget Subcommittees  
 Budget Close-out - University of Alaska  
 <No Public Testimony>  
 <Testimony by Invitation Only>

**Apr 15 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**

SB 35 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS  
 HB 75 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS  
 SB 36 APPROP:MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET  
 HB 76 APPROP:MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET  
 <No Public Testimony>  
 <Testimony by Invitation Only>  
 HB 112 AIDEA : BONDS & MUNICIPAL TAX EXEMPTION  
 SB 41 MEDICAID COSTS AND CRIMES  
 <Pending Referral>  
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Apr 15 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 5:00 PM**

-- Time Change --  
 + SB 35 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS  
 + HB 75 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS  
 + SB 36 APPROP:MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET  
 + HB 76 APPROP:MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET  
 Statewide Teleconference: (Public  
 testimony limited to no more than 2 min.)  
 5:00 - 5:45 Dillingham, Homer, Seward  
 5:45 - 6:30 Valdez, Cordova, Kenai  
 6:30 - 7:00 Mat-Su  
 7:00 - 8:00 Fairbanks  
 8:00 - 9:00 Anchorage  
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**FINANCE (continued)**

**Apr 16      Wednesday                      Senate Finance 532                      9:00 AM**

- + SB 35 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
  - + HB 75 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
  - + SB 36 APPROP:MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET
  - + HB 76 APPROP:MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET  
Statewide Teleconference - Offnet Sites:  
(Public testimony limited to no more than  
2 minutes)
  - HB 160 EMISSION CONTROL PERMIT PROGRAM
  - HB 59 CLEANUP OF ILLEGAL DRUG SITES
  - SB 65 CORRECTIONAL FACILITY EXPANSION
- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Apr 16      Wednesday                      Senate Finance 532                      5:00 PM**

- Time Change --
  - + SB 35 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
  - + HB 75 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
  - + SB 36 APPROP:MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET
  - + HB 76 APPROP:MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET  
Statewide Teleconference: (Public  
testimony limited to no more than 2 min.)  
5:00 - 5:45 Nome, Kotzebue, Barrow  
5:45- 6:30 Tok, Ketchikan, Delta Junction  
6:30 - 7:15 Kodiak, Bethel, Glennallen  
7:15 - 8:00 Petersburg, Sitka, Wrangell  
8:00 - 9:00 Juneau
- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Apr 17      Thursday                              Senate Finance 532                      9:00 AM**

- SB 58 PFD INELIGIBILITY/MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE
  - SB 59 PERMANENT FUND INELIGIBILITY FOR DUI
  - SB 148 PFD: ALLOWABLE ABSENCE FOR MILITARY SVC
  - HB 159 FINANCIAL INSTITUTION EXAMINATIONS/CFAB
- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Apr 18      Friday                                      Senate Finance 532                      9:00 AM**

No Meeting Scheduled

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**HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES**

**Apr 14 Monday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 + AK Responds to Severe Acute Respiratory  
 Syndrome: Division of Public Health  
 + HJR 13 FEDERAL EDUCATION LAW OF 2001  
 += SB 30 ABORTION: INFORMED CONSENT; INFORMATION

**Apr 16 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 + Confirmation Hearings:  
 Board of Nursing  
 Board of Professional Counselors  
 + SB 179 TEACHER CERTIFICATION : FINGERPRINTS  
 + SB 138 PHARMACIST/DOCTOR COLLABORATIVE PROTOCOLS

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**JUDICIARY**

**Apr 14 Monday Beltz 211 1:00 PM**  
 -- Recessed to 4/15/03 at 5:00 pm --  
 -- Permanent Time Change --  
 + SB 87 PRINCIPAL AND INCOME  
 + SB 163 POWERS OF APPOINTMENTS/TRUSTS/CREDITORS  
 + HB 64 PURCHASE OF STRUCTURED SETTLEMENTS  
 += SB 41 MEDICAID COSTS AND CRIMES  
 <Bill Hearing Rescheduled from 4/11/03>  
 += SB 170 CRIMINAL LAW/SENTENCING/ PROBATION/PAROLE  
 <Bill Hearing Rescheduled from 4/11/03>  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Apr 15 Tuesday Beltz 211 5:00 PM**  
 -- Continued from 4/14/03 --  
 = SB 170 CRIMINAL LAW/SENTENCING/ PROBATION/PAROLE

**JUDICIARY (continued)**

**Apr 16      Wednesday                      Beltz 211              1:00 PM**  
 -- Permanent Time Change --  
 +              Confirmation Hearing:  
                  Commission on Judicial Conduct -  
                  Richard Burton  
 +    SB 93    ADVERSE POSSESSION  
 +    SB 64    CREDIT INFORMATION  
 +              Confirmation Hearing:  
                  Select Committee on Legislative Ethics -  
                  Shirley McCoy  
 +              Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Apr 18      Friday                                      Beltz 211              1:00 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

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**LABOR & COMMERCE**

**Apr 15      Tuesday                                  Beltz 211              1:30 PM**  
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 += HB 118    TRANSPORTATION OF COMMERCIAL FISH  
 += SB 111    PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION PROJECT REQUIREMENTS  
 += SB 114    INCREASE BUSINESS LICENSE FEE  
 +    SB 168    CIGARETTE SALE/DISTRIBUTION  
 +    SB 156    PREGNANCY ALCOHOL WARNING  
 +    SB 180    SAFETY CODE TASK FORCE

**Apr 17      Thursday                                  Beltz 211              1:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

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**RESOURCES**

**Apr 14      Monday                                      Butrovich 205              3:30 PM**  
 +    SB 31    RAILROAD UTILITY CORRIDOR TO & IN CANADA  
 +    SB 151    REGULATION OF NATURAL GAS PIPELINES  
 +              Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Apr 16      Wednesday                                  Butrovich 205              3:30 PM**  
 +    HB 90    TAX CREDIT: SALMON DEVELOPMENT/UTILIZATION  
 +    SB 147    CONTROL OF NUISANCE WILD ANIMALS  
 +              Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**RESOURCES (continued)**

**Apr 18      Friday                                  Butrovich 205                  3:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

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**STATE AFFAIRS**

**Apr 15      Tuesday                                  Butrovich 205                  9:00 AM**  
 -- Time and Location Change --  
 + SB 152 CONCEALED HANDGUNS  
 + SB 162 CIGARETTE SALES REQUIREMENTS  
 += SB 119 ELIMINATE APOC  
 <Bill Hearing Rescheduled from 4/10/03>  
 + HB 34 REPEAL SUNSET OF NEGOTIATED REG.MAKING  
 + HB 114 ISSUANCE OF SEARCH WARRANTS  
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Apr 17      Thursday                                  Beltz 211                      3:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

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**TRANSPORTATION**

**Apr 15      Tuesday                                  Butrovich 205                  1:30 PM**  
 HB 124 COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVERS/EMPLOYER  
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES**

**MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**Apr 14      Monday                                  Fahrenkamp 203                  12:00 PM**

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**JOINT COMMITTEES**

**ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**Apr 14      Monday                                  Senate Finance 532                  12:15 PM**  
 Homeland Security and Anti-Terrorism:  
 Exec Committee, Anti-Terrorism Task Force

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**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT**

**Apr 29**      **Tuesday**                      **House Finance 519**              **8:00 AM**  
Audits and Other Committee Business

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**OTHER MEETINGS**

**FISH CAUCUS**

**Apr 16**      **Wednesday**                      **Butrovich 205**              **12:00 PM**  
Presentations:  
Kachemak Bay Research Reserve  
Prince William Sound Fisheries Research  
Applications and Planning

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**JOINT SESSION**

**Apr 25**      **Friday**                              **House Chamber**              **11:00 AM**  
Address by U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski