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TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE -- SECOND SESSION

Juneau, Alaska

Wednesday

January 28, 2004

Seventeenth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Therriault at 11:22 a.m.

The roll showed seventeen members present. Senators Davis, Lincoln were excused from a call of the Senate. Senator Wagoner was absent.

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that Senator Wagoner be excused from a call of the Senate today due to illness. Without objection, Senator Wagoner was excused.

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

With the deepest respect for the religious beliefs and convictions of all Alaskans, I offer the following prayer:

Father in Heaven, creator of unfailing light, give that same light to those who call to You. May our lips praise You, our lives proclaim Your goodness, our works give You honor, and our voices celebrate You forever.

Gracious God, You created us and placed us within families to learn how to love and be loved. We praise You for Your goodness, we thank You for the gifts You have given us. Bless our state with Your love. Raise up in Alaska good and holy families, loving husbands and wives, devoted parents and children. Raise up from our families and friends dedicated and generous leaders who will serve as model Alaskans in our communities. Amen.

Senator Olson led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the fifteenth and sixteenth legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the House

SB 173

Message dated January 26 was read, stating the House passed and returned:

SENATE BILL NO. 173(efd fld) "An Act repealing statutes pertaining to the Alaska Science and Technology Foundation and transferring money in the foundation's endowment; repealing statutes relating to the BIDCO assistance program; repealing statutes pertaining to the international trade and business endowment and transferring money in the international trade and business endowment; transferring oversight administration of outstanding Alaska Science and Technology Foundation loans and grants to the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority; establishing an Alaska BIDCO assistance program to be administered by the Department of Community and Economic Development; and making conforming amendments."

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:

Assessment of Cruise Ship and Ferry Wastewater Impacts in Alaska,
Commercial Passenger Vessel Environmental Compliance Program
from Ernesta Ballard, Commissioner, Department of Environmental
Conservation
in accordance with Chapter 1, FSSLA 01

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills

SB 281

SENATE BILL NO. 281 BY SENATOR ELTON BY REQUEST OF
THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE SALMON INDUSTRY TASK FORCE,
entitled:

"An Act relating to labeling and identification of
genetically modified fish and fish products."

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

SB 282

SENATE BILL NO. 282 BY SENATOR ELTON BY REQUEST OF
THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE SALMON INDUSTRY TASK FORCE,
entitled:

"An Act relating to the identification of finfish in
food products and to the misbranding of food
products consisting of or containing finfish."

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

SB 283

SENATE BILL NO. 283 BY SENATORS HOFFMAN, Therriault,
Green, Ben Stevens, Elton, Ellis, entitled:

"An Act making an appropriation to reverse the deposit of money available for appropriation in the general fund at the end of fiscal year 2003 into the constitutional budget reserve fund; making an appropriation under art. IX, sec. 17(c), Constitution of the State of Alaska, from the constitutional budget reserve fund; and providing for an effective date."

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

SB 284

SENATE BILL NO. 284 BY SENATOR GUESS, entitled:

"An Act relating to an optional election to prevent the name and address of a permanent fund dividend applicant from being disclosed, except to a state or federal agency."

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

SB 285

SENATE BILL NO. 285 BY SENATOR GREEN, entitled:

"An Act relating to medical assistance coverage for targeted case management services and for rehabilitative services furnished or paid for by a school district on behalf of certain children; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health, Education and Social Services and Finance Committees.

Unfinished Business

Senator Stedman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from plane time, February 16 to plane time, February 17. Without objection, Senator Stedman was excused.

Senator Wilken moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from the Senate, not subject to a call, from afternoon plane time, February 6 to evening plane time, February 8 and from evening plane time, February 11 to evening plane time, February 15. Without objection, Senator Wilken was excused.

Senator Cowdery moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from plane time, January 30 to plane time, February 1. Without objection, Senator Cowdery was excused.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on February 9. Without objection, Senator Hoffman was excused.

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from afternoon plane time, January 30 to morning plane time, February 2. Without objection, Senator Ben Stevens was excused.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Ben Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 10:00 a.m., January 30, 2004. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

Kirsten Waid
Secretary of the Senate

January 2004

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference
= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Jan 28	Wednesday	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Jan 30	Friday	Fahrenkamp 203	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

FINANCE

Jan 28	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
SJR 3	CONST AM: APPROPRIATION/SPENDING LIMIT		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Jan 29	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
= SB 31	RAILROAD UTILITY CORRIDOR TO & IN CANADA		
HB 215	ONE PERCENT FOR ART		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Jan 30	Friday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES

Jan 28 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 + HB 260 IMMUNITY FOR PROVIDING FREE HEALTH CARE
 + SB 217 GENETIC PRIVACY

JUDICIARY

Jan 28 Wednesday Capitol 120 1:00 PM
 -- Time and Location Change --
 + Joint w/(H) Judiciary
 Confirmation Hearings:
 Select Committee on Legislative Ethics
 H. Conner Thomas
 Ann Rabinowitz

Jan 30 Friday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM
 + SB 244 INCREASE FINE FOR SCHOOL ZONE VIOLATIONS
 += SB 203 OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

LABOR & COMMERCE

Jan 28 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 4:00 PM
 -- Time and Location Change --
 Joint w/(H) Labor and Commerce Meeting
 Workers Compensation Overview and Update

Jan 29 Thursday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

RESOURCES

Jan 28 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + SB 264 REPEAL PIPELINE PREAPPLICATION DEADLINE
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Jan 30 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

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STATE AFFAIRS

Jan 29	Thursday	Beltz 211	3:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

TRANSPORTATION

Jan 29	Thursday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

JOINT COMMITTEES

ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE

Feb 25	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	3:00 PM
	Alaskan Command's annual address by Lt.General Carrol H."Howie" Chandler Testimony by Invitation Only		

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

Feb 19	Thursday	House Finance 519	12:00 PM
	Audits and other committee business		

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Feb 05	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	4:00 PM
	Agenda to be announced		

OTHER MEETINGS**CHILDREN'S CAUCUS**

Feb 03 +	Tuesday Children's Justice Act Task Force: This is a federally funded group that is tasked with recommending improvements to the system of addressing child sexual abuse and exploitation.	Fahrenkamp 203	12:00 PM
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ENERGY POLICY TASK FORCE

Jan 28	Wednesday AIDEA/AEA BOARD ROOM 813 W. Northern Lights Blvd., Third Floor 9:00 am to 3:00 pm	Anchorage	9:00 AM
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JOINT SESSION

Feb 25	Wednesday State of the Judiciary Chief Justice Alexander O. Bryner	House Chamber	11:00 AM
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MINORITY CAUCUS

Jan 29	Thursday Joint Open Minority Caucus	Fahrenkamp 203	4:00 PM
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