

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
March 12, 2003

1. ROLL CALL

The Legislative Council meeting was called to order at 12:23 p.m. by Senator Taylor, Chairman, Legislative Council, in the Senate Finance Room at the Alaska State Capitol.

The roll was taken. In attendance were Council members: Taylor, Cowdery, Dyson, Ogan, Therriault, Coghill, Kott, Masek, Rokeberg, Ben Stevens, Stoltze, and Weyhrauch. Absent members were: Lincoln and Berkowitz. Staff present were: Varni, Clothier, Collins, Cook, Gullufsen, Huber, Ibesate and Schofield.

2. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 20, 2003 MEETING MINUTES

Senator Ben Stevens moved the minutes of the February 20, 2003 meeting be approved.

With no objection the motion was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AGENCY FY 04 BUDGET

Senator Cowdery moved that Legislative Council submit the Legislative Affairs Agency FY 04 Budget request to the House and Senate Finance Committees for their review.

Discussion followed.

With no objection the motion was approved.

4. APPROVAL OF OMBUDSMAN'S FY 04 BUDGET

Representative Masek moved that Legislative Council submit the Ombudsman's FY 04 Budget to the House and Senate Finance Committees for their review.

Discussion followed.

With no objection the motion was approved.

**5. JOINT LEGISLATIVE SALMON INDUSTRY TASK FORCE
CONTRACTUAL APPROVAL**

Senator Therriault moved that Legislative Council allow the Chairman of the Joint Legislative Salmon Task Force the authority to solicit, award, and expend funds for contracts directly related to the work of the task force between \$25,001 and \$50,000 with the written approval of the Senate President, Speaker of the House and Chairman of Legislative Council.

Discussion followed.

With no objection the motion was approved.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was presented.

The meeting was adjourned 12:29 pm.