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Thursday

April 14, 2005

Ninety-fifth Day

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

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

The prayer was sung by the Chaplain, Jason Stasyszen of the Church for All Nations. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

To the weak and the poor, to the young and the old
To the broken, the battered and abused
To the warrior so strong, to the ones who carry on
We're all reaching for the fruit of our faith
With man these things are not possible
But nothing is impossible with God

This is a time like no other
The Spirit of God declares in this place
This is a time like no other
Your glory and grace poured out like the rain
He who has an ear let him hear,
This is a time like no other

This is the greatest moment in history
You have prepared us for victory
You've given power and authority
The time is at hand, at hand

Senator Gary Stevens led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Gary Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the ninety-fourth legislative day be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The presence of Senators Stedman, Therriault was noted.

Messages from the House

Message dated April 13 was read, stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 83

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 83(FIN) BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to the Alaska Seismic Hazards Safety Commission; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 91

HOUSE BILL NO. 91 am by REPRESENTATIVES COGHILL, Lynn, McGuire, Anderson, Dahlstrom, Neuman, Gardner, Croft, entitled:

"An Act relating to indecent exposure."

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

HB 131

HOUSE BILL NO. 131 by REPRESENTATIVES STOLTZE, McGuire, Kelly, Meyer, Foster, entitled:

"An Act increasing the criminal classification of theft of an access device and of obtaining an access device or identification documents by fraudulent means; increasing the criminal classification for certain cases of fraudulent use of an access device; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 149

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 149(FIN) am BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to controlled substances; relating to the crimes of manslaughter, endangering the welfare of a child, and misconduct involving a controlled substance; relating to the manufacture of methamphetamine and to the sale, possession, and delivery of certain substances and precursors used in the manufacture of methamphetamine; relating to listing certain anabolic steroids as controlled substances; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 184

HOUSE BILL NO. 184 am by REPRESENTATIVES CHENAULT, Stoltze, Neuman, Dahlstrom, Harris, Olson, LeDoux, Hawker, Lynn, Holm, entitled:

"An Act relating to firearms."

was read the first time and referred to the Community and Regional Affairs and Judiciary Committees.

HB 210

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 210(JUD) BY THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to blood testing of certain persons alleged to have committed certain offenses directed toward peace officers or emergency workers."

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

HB 225

HOUSE BILL NO. 225 BY REPRESENTATIVES MCGUIRE, Dahlstrom, entitled:

"An Act relating to medical examiners and medical death examinations."

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

HB 230

HOUSE BILL NO. 230 BY REPRESENTATIVES THOMAS, Elkins, LeDoux, entitled:

"An Act authorizing the making of loans for upgrade of commercial fishing tender vessels and gear."

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

Standing Committee Reports

Report dated April 13 was read, stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Judiciary Committee reviewed the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Attorney General

David W. Marquez

This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the individual during any further sessions.

Signing the report: Senator Seekins, Chair; Senators Huggins, Therriault, French, Guess.

SB 120

The Community and Regional Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 120 "An Act exempting the state and its political subdivisions from daylight saving time." Signing no recommendation: Senator Gary Stevens, Chair; Senators Wagoner, Stedman. Signing do pass: Senator Ellis.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Administration

The bill was referred to the Labor and Commerce Committee.

SB 125

The Health, Education and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 125 "An Act relating to the licensing, regulation, enforcement, and appeal rights of ambulatory surgical centers, assisted living homes, child care facilities, child placement agencies, foster homes, free-standing birth centers, home health agencies, hospices or agencies providing hospice services, hospitals, intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded, maternity homes, nursing facilities, residential child care facilities, residential psychiatric treatment centers, and rural health clinics; relating to criminal history requirements, and a registry, regarding certain licenses, certifications, approvals, and authorizations by the Department of Health and Social Services; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 125(HES) "An Act relating to the licensing, regulation, enforcement, and appeal rights of ambulatory surgical centers, assisted living homes, child care facilities, child placement agencies, foster homes, free-

standing birth centers, home health agencies, hospices or agencies providing hospice services or operating hospice programs, hospitals, intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded, maternity homes, nursing facilities, residential child care facilities, residential psychiatric treatment centers, runaway shelters, and rural health clinics; relating to possession of a firearm at licensed entities and facilities; relating to criminal history requirements, and a registry, regarding certain licenses, certifications, approvals, and authorizations by the Department of Health and Social Services; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Dyson, Chair; Senators Wilken, Green.
Signing no recommendation: Senators Elton, Olson.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Law

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

SB 132

The Judiciary Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 132 "An Act relating to complaints filed with, investigations, hearings, and orders of, and the interest rate on awards of the State Commission for Human Rights; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Seekins, Chair. Signing no recommendation: Senators Therriault, Huggins. Signing amend: Senators French, Guess.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

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

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Law

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 135

The Judiciary Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 135 "An Act relating to the crimes of assault and custodial interference; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 135(JUD)

Signing do pass: Senator Seekins, Chair. Signing no recommendation: Senators French, Therriault, Huggins. Signing amend: Senator Guess.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Administration

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Alaska Court System

Fiscal Note No. 3, zero, Department of Law

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 140

The Judiciary Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 140 "An Act relating to spyware and unsolicited Internet advertising" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 140(JUD)

Signing do pass: Senator Seekins, Chair; Senators Huggins, Therriault. Signing no recommendation: Senators French, Guess.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Administration

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Law

Fiscal Note No. 3, zero, Department of Public Safety

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SCR 6

The Resources Committee considered SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6 Urging the governor to direct the division of oil and gas, Department of Natural Resources, to undertake a comprehensive review of the subject of Cook Inlet oil and gas platform abandonment for the purpose of developing new oil and gas

platform abandonment regulations and their adoption and implementation. Signing do pass: Senator Wagoner, Chair; Senators Dyson, Guess, Elton, Seekins, Stedman.

CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
NO. 6(RES)

The resolution was referred to the Rules Committee.

SCR 7

The Resources Committee considered SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7 Endorsing the ongoing efforts of the administration to review and revise program regulations with the objective of streamlining the exploratory oil and gas process. Signing do pass: Senator Wagoner, Chair; Senator Ben Stevens. Signing no recommendation: Senators Elton, Guess, Stedman. Signing amend: Senator Seekins.

The resolution was referred to the Rules Committee.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills

SB 173

SENATE BILL NO. 173 BY SENATOR COWDERY, entitled:

"An Act relating to the requirements to qualify as a newspaper in which notices of property sales are published."

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

SB 174

SENATE BILL NO. 174 BY SENATORS HUGGINS, Wagoner, entitled:

"An Act excluding certain trucks from the definition of 'passenger vehicle' for purposes of the passenger vehicle rental tax; and providing for an effective date."

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

SB 175

SENATE BILL NO. 175 BY THE SENATE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to dispensing opticians, to dispensing optician apprentices, to the Board of Dispensing Opticians, and to the practice of dispensing opticianry; and providing for an effective date."

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

Reconsideration of Senate Bills**SB 130**

Senator Ellis requested that the reconsideration on CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 130(FIN) am "An Act relating to a special deposit for workers' compensation and employers' liability insurers; relating to assigned risk pools; relating to workers' compensation insurers; stating the intent of the legislature, and setting out limitations, concerning the interpretation, construction, and implementation of workers' compensation laws; relating to the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board; assigning certain Alaska Workers' Compensation Board functions to the division of workers' compensation in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development and to that department, and authorizing the board to delegate administrative and enforcement duties to the division; providing for workers' compensation hearing officers in workers' compensation proceedings; establishing a Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; relating to workers' compensation medical benefits and to charges for and payment of fees for the medical benefits; relating to agreements that discharge workers' compensation liability; relating to workers' compensation awards; relating to reemployment benefits and job dislocation benefits; relating to coordination of workers' compensation and certain disability benefits; relating to division of workers' compensation records;

relating to release of treatment records; relating to an employer's failure to insure and keep insured or provide security; providing for appeals from compensation orders; relating to workers' compensation proceedings; providing for supreme court jurisdiction of appeals from the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; providing for a maximum amount for the cost-of-living adjustment for workers' compensation benefits; relating to attorney fees with respect to workers' compensation; providing for the department to enter into contracts with nonprofit organizations to provide information services and legal representation to injured employees; providing for administrative penalties for employers uninsured or without adequate security for workers' compensation; relating to fraudulent acts or false or misleading statements in workers' compensation and penalties for the acts or statements; providing for members of a limited liability company to be included as an employee for purposes of workers' compensation; establishing a workers' compensation benefits guaranty fund; making conforming amendments; providing for a study and report by the medical services review committee; establishing the Task Force on Workers' Compensation; and providing for an effective date" be taken up. The bill was before the Senate on reconsideration.

Senator Ellis moved that the bill be returned to second reading for the purpose of a specific amendment, that being Amendment No. 6. Without objection, the bill was returned to second reading.

Amendment No. 5 was not offered.

Senator Ellis offered Amendment No. 6:

Page 38, line 31:

Delete "11"

Insert "12"

Page 39, line 4:

Delete "Eight"

Insert "Nine"

Page 39, line 14:

Delete "and"

Page 39, line 15, following "businesses":

Insert "; and

(9) a representative of the Alaska Chiropractic Society"

Senator Ellis moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 6. Senator Green objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 6 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 130(FIN)am

Second Reading

Amendment No. 6

YEAS: 8 NAYS: 10 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Davis, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Guess, Kookesh, Olson

Nays: Bunde, Cowdery, Dyson, Huggins, Seekins, Stedman, Stevens B, Stevens G, Therriault, Wilken

Excused: Wagoner

Absent: Hoffman

and so, Amendment No. 6 failed.

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 130(FIN) am was automatically in third reading on reconsideration.

The question to be reconsidered: "Shall CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 130(FIN) am "An Act relating to a special deposit for workers' compensation and employers' liability insurers; relating to assigned risk pools; relating to workers' compensation insurers; stating the intent of the legislature, and setting out limitations, concerning the interpretation, construction, and implementation of workers' compensation laws; relating to the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board; assigning certain Alaska Workers' Compensation Board functions to the division of workers' compensation in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development and to that department, and authorizing the board to delegate administrative and enforcement duties to the division; providing for workers' compensation hearing officers in workers' compensation proceedings; establishing a

Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; relating to workers' compensation medical benefits and to charges for and payment of fees for the medical benefits; relating to agreements that discharge workers' compensation liability; relating to workers' compensation awards; relating to reemployment benefits and job dislocation benefits; relating to coordination of workers' compensation and certain disability benefits; relating to division of workers' compensation records; relating to release of treatment records; relating to an employer's failure to insure and keep insured or provide security; providing for appeals from compensation orders; relating to workers' compensation proceedings; providing for supreme court jurisdiction of appeals from the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; providing for a maximum amount for the cost-of-living adjustment for workers' compensation benefits; relating to attorney fees with respect to workers' compensation; providing for the department to enter into contracts with nonprofit organizations to provide information services and legal representation to injured employees; providing for administrative penalties for employers uninsured or without adequate security for workers' compensation; relating to fraudulent acts or false or misleading statements in workers' compensation and penalties for the acts or statements; providing for members of a limited liability company to be included as an employee for purposes of workers' compensation; establishing a workers' compensation benefits guaranty fund; making conforming amendments; providing for a study and report by the medical services review committee; establishing the Task Force on Workers' Compensation; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 130(FIN) am

Third Reading - On Reconsideration

YEAS: 11 NAYS: 7 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Cowdery, Dyson, Green, Huggins, Seekins, Stedman, Stevens B, Stevens G, Therriault, Wilken

Nays: Davis, Ellis, Elton, French, Guess, Kookesh, Olson

Excused: Wagoner

Absent: Hoffman

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 130(FIN) am passed the Senate on reconsideration.

Senator Gary Stevens moved for the adoption of the effective date clauses.

The question being: "Shall the effective date clauses be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 130(FIN) am
Effective Date Clauses

YEAS: 18 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Green, Guess, Huggins, Kookesh, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Stevens B, Stevens G, Therriault, Wilken

Excused: Wagoner

Absent: Hoffman

and so, the effective date clauses were adopted and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

SB 155

Senator Cowdery requested that the reconsideration on CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 155(FIN) be taken up. The bill was before the Senate on reconsideration.

The question to be reconsidered: "Shall CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 155(FIN) "An Act making appropriations from the earnings reserve account for construction of an integrated science complex at the University of Alaska in Anchorage, for replacement of the virology laboratory in Fairbanks, for expansion of the Anchorage Museum of History and Art, for the major maintenance grant fund, and for other capital projects related to education; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 155(FIN)

Third Reading - On Reconsideration

YEAS: 12 NAYS: 7 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Green, Hoffman, Kookesh, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Stevens B, Stevens G, Wilken

Nays: Dyson, Ellis, Elton, French, Guess, Huggins, Therriault

Excused: Wagoner

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 155(FIN) passed the Senate on reconsideration.

Senator Gary Stevens moved for the adoption of the effective date clause.

The question being: "Shall the effective date clause be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 155(FIN)

Effective Date Clause

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

Yeas: Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Green, Guess, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, Olson, Seekins, Stedman, Stevens B, Stevens G, Therriault, Wilken

Nays: Ellis, Elton, French

Excused: Wagoner

and so, the effective date clause was adopted and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

Unfinished Business

A letter dated April 11, 2005, was received from Joyce Anderson, Administrator, Select Committee on Legislative Ethics, referring to the appointments of the public members to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics (page 11). She stated that pursuant to AS

24.60.130(g), the public members' terms are three years, not two years. Accordingly, the terms of Dennis "Skip" Cook, Herman J. Walker, Jr., and Marianne Stillner expire the first day of the January 2006 legislative session. Therefore, no action is required by the Senate in 2005. This letter was forwarded to the Judiciary Committee.

SB 141

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 141(FIN) "An Act relating to the teachers' and public employees' retirement systems and creating defined contribution and health reimbursement plans for members of the teachers' retirement system and the public employees' retirement system who are first hired after July 1, 2005; relating to university retirement programs; establishing the Alaska Retirement Management Board to replace the Alaska State Pension Investment Board, the Alaska Teachers' Retirement Board, and the Public Employees' Retirement Board; adding appeals of the decisions of the administrator of the teachers' and public employees' retirement systems to the jurisdiction of the office of administrative hearings; providing for nonvested members of the teachers' retirement system defined benefit plans to transfer into the teachers' retirement system defined contribution plan and for nonvested members of the public employees' retirement system defined benefit plans to transfer into the public employees' retirement system defined contribution plan; providing for political subdivisions and public organizations to request to participate in the public employees' defined contribution retirement plan; and providing for an effective date" which had been engrossed (page 925), was signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Engrossment**SB 130**

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 130(FIN) am "An Act relating to a special deposit for workers' compensation and employers' liability insurers; relating to assigned risk pools; relating to workers'

compensation insurers; stating the intent of the legislature, and setting out limitations, concerning the interpretation, construction, and implementation of workers' compensation laws; relating to the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board; assigning certain Alaska Workers' Compensation Board functions to the division of workers' compensation in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development and to that department, and authorizing the board to delegate administrative and enforcement duties to the division; providing for workers' compensation hearing officers in workers' compensation proceedings; establishing a Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; relating to workers' compensation medical benefits and to charges for and payment of fees for the medical benefits; relating to agreements that discharge workers' compensation liability; relating to workers' compensation awards; relating to reemployment benefits and job dislocation benefits; relating to coordination of workers' compensation and certain disability benefits; relating to division of workers' compensation records; relating to release of treatment records; relating to an employer's failure to insure and keep insured or provide security; providing for appeals from compensation orders; relating to workers' compensation proceedings; providing for supreme court jurisdiction of appeals from the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission; providing for a maximum amount for the cost-of-living adjustment for workers' compensation benefits; relating to attorney fees with respect to workers' compensation; providing for the department to enter into contracts with nonprofit organizations to provide information services and legal representation to injured employees; providing for administrative penalties for employers uninsured or without adequate security for workers' compensation; relating to fraudulent acts or false or misleading statements in workers' compensation and penalties for the acts or statements; providing for members of a limited liability company to be included as an employee for purposes of workers' compensation; establishing a workers' compensation benefits guaranty fund; making conforming amendments; providing for a study and report by the medical services review committee; establishing the Task

Force on Workers' Compensation; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

SB 155

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 155(FIN) "An Act making appropriations from the earnings reserve account for construction of an integrated science complex at the University of Alaska in Anchorage, for replacement of the virology laboratory in Fairbanks, for expansion of the Anchorage Museum of History and Art, for the major maintenance grant fund, and for other capital projects related to education; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

Enrollment**SJR 6**

HOUSE CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6(FIN) am H Relating to a reduction in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage for Alaskans, and urging the United States Congress to take action to prevent the reduction, 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 at 9:17 a.m., April 14, 2005.

Memorandum from the Division of Legal and Research Services, Legislative Affairs Agency, reporting the following manifest error in HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6(FIN) am H, which has been corrected in enrolling:

Page 2, line 29:

Delete "adding"

Insert "giving"

Adjournment

Senator Gary Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., April 15, 2005. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

Kirsten Waid
Secretary of the Senate

April 2005

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Apr 15 Friday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 += SB 161 BOROUGH SALES TAX EXEMPTIONS
 Senate Bill:
 TAXATION OF MINING PROPERTY; CONTRACTS
 APPROVED BY MUNICIPALITIES FOR PAYMENT
 IN LIEU OF TAXES
 <Pending Introduction & Referral>

Apr 18 Monday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 20 Wednesday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 + SB 171 NPR-A COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM
 + HB 229 REINSTATEMENT OF NATIVE CORPORATIONS

Apr 22 Friday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 + HB 184 MUNICIPAL FIREARM ORDINANCES
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

FINANCE

Apr 14 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 += HB 66 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET
 += HB 67 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
 Consideration of Amendments

FINANCE (continued)

Apr 14 Thursday Senate Finance 532 5:00 PM
 -- Time Change --

- + HB 66 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET
- + HB 67 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
- Consideration of Amendments
 (If Needed)
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 15 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- + HB 66 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET
- + HB 67 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
- + SB 130 WORKERS' COMPENSATION/ INSURANCE
 <Above Bill Hearing Canceled>
- + SB 131 WAGE & HOUR ACT: EXEC/PROF/ADMIN/SALES
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- + SB 16 POWERS/DUTIES DOTPF/TRANSPORTATION PLAN
- + SB 88 POLICY ON GENERAL FUND REVENUE SHORTFALL
- + SB 112 TAX ON REAA RESIDENTS
- + SB 158 MUNI TAX ON STATE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS
- + SB 147 SPORT FISHING FACILITY REVENUE BONDS

Apr 18 Monday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- + SB 139 EXTENSIONS OF OCCUPATIONAL BDS/AGENCIES
- + SJR 11 REPEAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS TAX
- + SB 69 APPROP: GRANT TO ARCTIC POWER FOR ANWR
- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- + SB 151 DECOUPLING FROM FED TAX DEDUCTION
- + SB 70 CRIMES INVOLVING CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES
- + SB 110 POLLUTION DISCHARGE & WASTE TRMT/DISPOSAL

Apr 19 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- + SB 142 REGIONAL SCHOOL BD LAND/BLDG OWNERSHIP
- + SB 160 STATE PROCUREMENT ELECTRONIC TOOLS
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- + SB 131 WAGE & HOUR ACT: EXEC/PROF/ADMIN/SALES

Apr 20 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 21 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

FINANCE (continued)

Apr 22 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES

Apr 15 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 If Necessary

Apr 18 Monday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 + SB 156 LAYOFF/NONRETENTION OF TEACHERS
 + SB 167 EDU MATERIALS FROM RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION
 += SB 150 ALASKA CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND GRANTS
 + HB 128 SCHOOLS PHYSICAL ACTIVITY TASK FORCE
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 20 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 + HB 185 POSTSECONDARY STUDENT IMMUNIZATION
 + SB 162 REPORT STUDENT HEALTH/DISCIPLINE/SAFETY
 + Senate Bill:
 PRACTICE OF PSYCHOLOGY
 <Pending Introduction & Referral>
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 22 Friday Butrovich 205 2:30 PM
 -- Time Change --
 + Confirmation Hearings:
 University of Alaska Board of Regents
 Board of Martial & Family Therapy
 Board of Nursing
 Professional Teaching Practices
 Commission
 Board of Education & Early Development
 Board of Psychologists & Psychological
 Associate Examiners
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY

- Apr 14 Thursday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM**
 -- Time Change --
 += SB 135 ASSAULT & CUSTODIAL INTERFERENCE
 += SB 132 HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Apr 15 Friday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM**
 -- Time Change --
 + SB 86 STATE/MUNI LIABILITY FOR ATTORNEY FEES
 + SB 159 INDECENT EXPOSURE TO MINORS
 + HB 91 INDECENT EXPOSURE TO MINORS
 + HB 155 YOUTH COURTS AND CRIMINAL FINES
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Apr 18 Monday Butrovich 205 8:30 AM**
 Terry L. Thurbon
 + Confirmations:
 Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar
 Joseph N. Faulhaber
 Chief Administrative Law Judge
 + SB 134 POLICE INVESTIGATION STANDARDS/ARRESTS
 + SB 154 JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PROCEEDINGS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Apr 19 Tuesday Butrovich 205 8:30 AM**
 += SB 20 OFFENSES AGAINST UNBORN CHILDREN
 += SB 106 SALE OF METHAMPHETAMINE AND PRECURSORS
 += SB 74 CRIMES INVOLVING MARIJUANA/OTHER DRUGS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Apr 20 Wednesday Butrovich 205 8:30 AM**
 + SB 125 LICENSING MEDICAL OR CARE FACILITIES
 + HB 136 DRUNK DRIVING TREATMENT PROGRAM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Apr 21 Thursday Butrovich 205 8:30 AM**
 + HB 131 ACCESS DEVICE & I.D. DOCUMENT CRIMES
 + HB 132 CRIMES AGAINST ELDERLY
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY (continued)

Apr 22 Friday Butrovich 205 8:30 AM
 + HB 85 PRESCRIBED MEDICATION FOR STUDENTS
 + HB 88 CRIM LAW:MINORS, SCHOOLS, DRUGS,SENTENCES
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

Apr 14 Thursday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 + HB 61 GAMING: CALCUTTA POOLS & CRANE CLASSICS
 + SB 149 PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION
 + SB 148 INFORMATION SECURITY
 + SB 175 DISPENSING OPTICIANS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 += SB 108 INSURANCE
 += SB 157 REG. COST CHARGES: UTILITIES/PIPELINES

Apr 19 Tuesday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 + SB 168 PROPERTY/CASUALTY INSURANCE REGULATION
 + SB 169 WORKERS' COMPENSATION RECORDS
 + SB 165 CARD ROOMS & OPERATIONS
 Confirmation Hearings:
 Board of Veterinary Examiners
 Timothy L. Bowser, D.V.M. - Soldotna
 Cynthia Ann Trout, D.V.M. - Anchorage
 Alfred Agree - Trapper Creek
 Alaska State Board of Public Accountancy
 Carla J. Bassler - Anchorage
 Kenneth L. Mayer - Kenai
 Christy Morse - Anchorage
 State Board of Registration for
 Architects, Engineers & Land Surveyors
 Richard C. Heieren - Fairbanks
 Harley H. Hightower - Anchorage
 Mark G. Morris - Juneau
 Board of Barbers and Hairdressers
 Alice B. Massie - Wasilla
 Labor Relations Agency
 Gary A. Atwood - Fairbanks
 Aaron T. Isaacs, Jr. - Klawock
 Colleen E. Scanlon - Ketchikan
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Including But Not Limited to:

LABOR & COMMERCE (continued)

Apr 21 Thursday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 += SB 168 PROPERTY/CASUALTY INSURANCE REGULATION
 + HB 35 EXTEND BD ARCHITECTS/ENGINEERS/SURVEYORS
 + SJR 15 BAN LAWSUITS AGAINST FIREARMS INDUSTRY
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Including But Not Limited to:

RESOURCES

Apr 15 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + HB 19 PESTICIDE & BROADCAST CHEMICALS
 + SB 164 SALMON PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDIT

Apr 18 Monday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 Confirmation Hearing:
 AOCGG Member - Cathy Forester
 += SB 96 UNIVERSITY LAND GRANT/STATE FOREST
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 += SB 113 GULF OF ALASKA GROUND FISH FISHERY
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + SB 170 BD/DEPT OF FISH & GAME POWERS & DUTIES
 + HB 197 OIL SPILL EXEMPTIONS FOR GAS WELLS

Apr 20 Wednesday Tba 3:30 PM
 Joint w/Legislative Budget & Audit
 Presentation by Spencer Hosie

Apr 22 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + HJR 5 NO MILK TAX
 + HJR 16 OPPOSE UN LAND DESIGNATIONS IN ALASKA
 + HB 75 HUNTING, FISHING, TRAPPING
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

STATE AFFAIRS

Apr 14 Thursday Beltz 211 3:30 PM
 SB 94 STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE
 HB 116 LIABILITY FOR ALCOHOL LAW VIOLATIONS
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

STATE AFFAIRS (continued)

Apr 19 Tuesday Beltz 211 3:30 PM
 + Confirmation Hearings:
 State Commission for Human Rights
 M. Chris Hayes
 Barbara J.(Tamie) Miller
 Randy H. Eledge
 Lester C. Lunceford
 + SB 172 INITIATIVE/REFERENDUM BALLOT SUMMARY
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 21 Thursday Beltz 211 3:30 PM
 + HB 127 PFD:PEACE CORPS/OLYMPIAN/SANCTIONS
 + HB 214 ANATOMICAL GIFTS & REGISTRY
 + HB 178 SPECIAL REQUEST LICENSE PLATES
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Apr 14 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 -- Meeting Canceled --
 + Senate Bill:
 AN ACT RELATING TO OFFENSES AND PENALTIES
 FOR VIOLATION OF VEHICLE WEIGHT
 LIMITATIONS; PROHIBITING THE USE OF A
 VIOLATION OF A VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITATION
 FOR CERTAIN PERSONAL AUTOMOBILE
 INSURANCE ACTIONS; AMENDING RULE 43.6,
 ALASKA RULES OF ADMINISTRATION; AND
 PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE
 <Pending Introduction & Referral>
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Continuation of DOT/PF Project
 Discussion if Needed

Apr 19 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 + SB 174 EXEMPT UHAULS FROM VEHICLE RENTAL TAX
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 21 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JOINT COMMITTEES

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION REVIEW

Apr 20 **Wednesday** **Fahrenkamp 203** **1:00 PM**
Hearing on DEC Proposed Changes to the
Alaska Food Codes

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Apr 21 **Thursday** **House Finance 519** **8:30 AM**
Agenda To Be Announced

VICTIMS' ADVOCATE SELECTION COMMITTEE

Apr 21 **Thursday** **Butrovich 205** **3:00 PM**
Joint Victims' Advocate Selection
Committee Meeting