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Ninety-fourth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Harris at 10:07 a.m.

Roll call showed 34 members present. Representatives Dahlstrom, Gara, Kerttula, and LeDoux had been excused from a call of the House today. Representative Hawker was absent. Representative Seaton was absent and his presence was noted later.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Scott Williamson of Glacier Valley Baptist Church. Representative Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

With respect for the various faiths that are represented here, I offer this prayer.

Dear Lord, I am reminded of the psalmist who said, "I lift my eyes up to the hills, where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth."

On this day, help these men and women do their work with a sense of thankfulness for the confidence their fellow citizens have placed in them. Remind them that they have been given the rare privilege of service to their state. Father, they are in positions of leadership and leadership always draws opposition and criticism; remind them that anytime we make decisions there will be those who don't understand. Help them use their leadership abilities, their convictions, and their

courage to do good for the people of Alaska. Let history show the wisdom of decisions that are made now.

Father, I thank you for the students that are here today. I pray that from amongst those students that you might raise up future leaders for the state of Alaska.

I pray these things in the name of Jesus, who stands by all who follow his leadership. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Kawasaki.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 93rd legislative day be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message dated April 18, 2007, was read stating the Senate accepted the invitation to meet in joint session in the House Chamber at 11:00 a.m., May 14 to consider confirmation of the Governor's appointments.

HB 96

A message received at 2:34 p.m., April 18, 2007, was read stating the Senate passed CSHB 96(FIN) with the following amendment and it is transmitted for consideration:

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 96(FIN)

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

CSHB 96(FIN) is under Unfinished Business.

A message dated April 18, 2007, was read stating the Senate passed the following and it is transmitted for consideration:

**FIRST READING AND REFERENCE
OF SENATE BILLS**

SB 109

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 109(RES) by the Senate Resources Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to the regulation and permitting of drilling and other operations by the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, to civil penalties assessed by the commission, to reconsideration and appeal of decisions and the allocation of costs in investigations and hearings before the commission, and to information filed with and fees of the commission; and providing for an effective date."

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

HB 87

The Rules Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 87

"An Act reestablishing the Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Management Areas in Alaska; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 87(FIN)

"An Act relating to the Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Management Areas in Alaska; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representative Coghill, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (2): Fairclough, Coghill

No recommendation (2): Harris, Johnson

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 87(FIN):

2. Zero, Legislative Agency
4. Fiscal, Dept. of Natural Resources

HB 87 was returned to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**The presence of Representative Seaton was noted.

HB 205

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 205

"An Act relating to real estate broker and real estate salesperson licensing; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 205(FIN)
(same title)

The report was signed by Representatives Meyer and Chenault, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Crawford, Thomas, Meyer, Chenault

No recommendation (4): Gara, Stoltze, Joule, Hawker

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 205(FIN):

1. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

HB 205 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

SB 61

The Finance Committee considered:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 61(FIN) am

"An Act transferring funds to the public education fund; making supplemental and other appropriations; amending appropriations; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Meyer and Chenault, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Thomas, Hawker, Meyer, Chenault

No recommendation (5): Gara, Nelson, Stoltze, Crawford, Joule

CSSB 61(FIN) am was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citations were introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

Honoring - Brian Oliver
By Senator Dyson

In Memoriam - Lillian Shaw
By Representative Gruenberg

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 240

HOUSE BILL NO. 240 by Representatives Coghill and Johnson, entitled:

"An Act relating to human trafficking and prostitution."

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

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR**SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS****HB 149**

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 149

"An Act relating to the authority of the Department of Environmental Conservation to require certain monitoring, sampling, and reporting and to require permits for certain discharges of pollutants; relating to criminal penalties for violations of the permit program; and providing for an effective date."

with the:

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RES RPT CS(RES) 4DP 1DNP 4NR	515
FN1: ZERO(DEC)	516
JUD RPT CS(RES) 3DP 3NR	767
FN1: ZERO(DEC)	768
FN2: ZERO(LAW)	768

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the following committee substitute be adopted in lieu of the original bill:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 149(RES)
(same title)

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 149(RES) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage.

There was objection.

CSHB 149(RES) will advance to third reading on tomorrow's calendar.

HB 152

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 152

"An Act establishing a renewable energy fund and describing its uses and purposes."

with the:

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CRA RPT CS(CRA) NT 7DP	578
FN1: (CED)	578
FN2: (CED)	578
FIN RPT CS(FIN) NT 5DP 3NR	796
FN3: INDETERMINATE(H.FIN/CED)	796
FN4: INDETERMINATE(H.FIN/CED)	796

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the following committee substitute be adopted in lieu of the original bill:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 152(FIN)

"An Act establishing a renewable energy project account and a renewable energy fund and describing their uses and purposes."

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 152(FIN) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 152(FIN) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CSHB 152(FIN) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 152(FIN)

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 35 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Buch, Chenault, Cissna, Coghill, Crawford, Doll, Doogan, Edgmon, Fairclough, Foster, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Harris, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Joule, Kawasaki, Kelly, Kohring, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Neuman, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Samuels, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

Excused: Dahlstrom, Gara, Kerttula, LeDoux

Absent: Hawker

And so, CSHB 152(FIN) passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

HOUSE BILLS IN SECOND READING

HB 113

The following, which was held in second reading from the April 18, 2007, calendar (page 822), was again before the House:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 113(HES)

"An Act relating to the prescription and use of pharmaceutical agents, including controlled substances, by optometrists."

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 113(HES) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 113(HES) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CSHB 113(HES) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 113(HES)

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 30 NAYS: 5 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Buch, Chenault, Cissna, Coghill, Doogan, Edgmon, Fairclough, Foster, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Harris, Holmes, Johansen, Joule, Kawasaki, Kelly, Kohring, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Neuman, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Samuels, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas

Nays: Crawford, Doll, Gardner, Johnson, Wilson

Excused: Dahlstrom, Gara, Kerttula, LeDoux

Absent: Hawker

And so, CSHB 113(HES) passed the House.

Representative Crawford gave notice of reconsideration of the vote on CSHB 113(HES).

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citation on the calendar. There being no objection, the following citation was approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring - Lance Trasky

By Representatives Gara, Harris, Chenault, Cissna, Coghill, Crawford, Dahlstrom, Doll, Doogan, Fairclough, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Joule, Kawasaki, Kerttula, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Neuman, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Samuels, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SJR 1

The Speaker waived the Finance Committee referral for the following at the request of Representative Meyer, Co-chair:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1

Relating to reauthorization of federal funding for children's health insurance; and encouraging the Governor to support additional funding for and access to children's health insurance.

SJR 1 was removed from the Finance Committee and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 113

Representative Lynn added his name as cosponsor to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 113(HES)

"An Act relating to the prescription and use of pharmaceutical agents, including controlled substances, by optometrists."

HB 132

Representative Kohring added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 132

"An Act designating the first Tuesday of May as Alaska Agriculture Day."

HB 152

Representatives Kawasaki, Joule, Seaton, Lynn, Gruenberg, and Johansen added their names as cosponsors to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 152(FIN)

"An Act establishing a renewable energy project account and a renewable energy fund and describing their uses and purposes."

SJR 3

Representative Seaton added his name as cross sponsor to:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3

Relating to the effect of Medicare rates on senior citizens' access to healthcare; and urging the United States Congress to increase Medicare rates for Alaska.

ENGROSSMENT**HB 152**

CSHB 152(FIN) was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published daily under separate cover.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:00 a.m., April 20, 2007. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

Suzi Lowell
Chief Clerk