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Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Harris at 10:17 a.m.

Roll call showed 35 members present. Representative Kerttula had been excused from a call of the House today. Representatives Crawford, Kohring, Meyer, and Ramras were absent and their presence was noted later.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Nancy Campbell. Representative Dahlstrom moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

In deepest respect for the religious beliefs of all Alaskans, I offer the following prayer.

May the Lord bless you and keep you this day. May he cause his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. May he lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. May his light guide your paths and guard your ways.

May the Lord give you sound counsel, knowledge, and the courage to address the issues brought before you. May he keep you in good health, and may he bless your families. In Jesus' name, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Foster.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 106th legislative day be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**HCR 8**

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8

Establishing a task force to make recommendations regarding job descriptions and salary changes for the commissioners and support staff of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska.

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8(L&C)

Establishing a legislative task force to make recommendations regarding job descriptions and salary changes for the commissioners and support staff and the possible need for additional support staff of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska.

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

Do pass (3): Gardner, LeDoux, Olson

No recommendation (3): Ramras, Neuman, Gatto

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHCR 8(L&C):

1. Fiscal, Legislative Agency

HCR 8 was referred to the Finance Committee.

**The presence of Representative Meyer was noted.

HB 192

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 192

"An Act relating to notification to teachers of layoff or nonretention."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 192(HES)

(same title)

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

Do pass (6): Gara, Foster, Crawford, Nelson, Joule, Meyer

No recommendation (4): Stoltze, Kelly, Hawker, Chenault

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 192(HES):

1. Zero, Dept. of Education & Early Development

HB 192 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**The presence of Representative Crawford was noted.

HB 194

The Judiciary Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 194

"An Act relating to fines for certain offenses involving aeronautics, alcoholic beverages, boats, fish and game, health care records and public health, medical review organizations, public restroom facilities, smoking, shelter cabins, refrigerators and similar equipment, radiation sources, high voltage lines, child labor, employment in underground mines, marriage licenses, motor vehicles and driver's licenses, ignition interlock devices, pipelines, use of the state seal, and emissions requirements;

relating to the maximum fine provided for violations and infractions and to the definition of 'minor offenses'; redesignating certain fish and game misdemeanor offenses as class A misdemeanors; relating to violations and offenses that are committed on state land, water, and land and water or that are related to water management or dam and reservoir safety; amending Rule 8(b), Alaska District Court Rules of Criminal Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 194(JUD)

"An Act relating to fines for certain offenses involving aeronautics, alcoholic beverages, boats, fish and game, health care records and public health, medical review organizations, public restroom facilities, smoking, shelter cabins, refrigerators and similar equipment, radiation sources, high voltage lines, child labor, employment in underground mines, marriage licenses, motor vehicles and driver's licenses, ignition interlock devices, pipelines, use of the state seal, and emissions requirements; relating to the maximum fine provided for violations and infractions and to the definition of 'minor offenses'; redesignating certain fish and game misdemeanor offenses as class A misdemeanors; amending Rule 8(b), Alaska District Court Rules of Criminal Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (1): Ramras

No recommendation (5): Gruenberg, Coghill, Dahlstrom, Samuels, Holmes

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 194(JUD):

1. Zero, Dept. of Administration
2. Zero, Dept. of Administration
3. Zero, Dept. of Law
4. Zero, Dept. of Natural Resources

5. Zero, Dept. of Public Safety
6. Indeterminate, Dept. of Environmental Conservation
7. Indeterminate, Dept. of Environmental Conservation
8. Indeterminate, Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development
9. Indeterminate, Dept. of Public Safety

HB 194 was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 197

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 197

"An Act relating to the issuance of shares of professional corporations to a trust, to trusts, to trustees, to the removal of a trustee, to the compensation of a trustee and a person employed by a trustee, to a trustee's accepting or rejecting a trusteeship, to co-trustees, to a vacancy in a trusteeship, to the resignation of a trustee, to delivery of trust property by former trustees, to the reimbursement of trustee expenses, to the certification of a trust, to the suitability of a trustee, to the place of administration of a trust, to a trustee's power to appoint property to another trust, to a change of the percentage of trust property to be considered principal, to the determination of the value of a trust, and to a settlor's intent when transferring property in trust; amending Rules 54 and 82, Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (3): Gardner, Ramras, Olson

No recommendation (3): LeDoux, Neuman, Gatto

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

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

HB 197 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**The presence of Representative Ramras was noted.

HB 200

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 200

"An Act relating to the presumption of coverage for a workers' compensation claim for disability as a result of certain diseases for certain occupations."

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

Do pass (1): Gatto

No recommendation (1): Neuman

Amend (4): LeDoux, Gardner, Ramras, Olson

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Indeterminate, Dept. of Administration
2. Indeterminate, Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development

HB 200 was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

**The presence of Representative Kohring was noted.

SB 59

The Finance Committee considered:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 59(FIN)

"An Act relating to the use of broadcasting to promote charitable raffles and lotteries and to establishing cabbage classics as a form of charitable gaming."

and recommends it be replaced with:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 59(FIN)

"An Act relating to the use of broadcasting to promote dog mushers' contests and charitable raffles and lotteries; to the maximum amount of prizes that may be awarded for charitable gaming activities other than bingo; to the use of the proceeds of charitable gaming; and to establishing cabbage classics as a form of charitable gaming."

(HCR 7 - title change resolution)

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

Do pass (5): Thomas, Joule, Foster, Meyer, Chenault

No recommendation (4): Kelly, Gara, Nelson, Stoltze

The following fiscal note(s) apply to HCS CSSB 59(FIN):

2. Indeterminate, Dept. of Revenue

CSSB 59(FIN) was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

SB 76

The Finance Committee considered:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 76(HES)

"An Act establishing a higher education savings program for eligible children who were placed in out-of-home care by the state; and providing for confidentiality of identifying information of a beneficiary under the program."

The report was signed by Representative Meyer, Co-chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (9): Gara, Foster, Crawford, Nelson, Stoltze, Joule, Kelly, Hawker, Meyer

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, University of Alaska
2. Fiscal, Dept. of Health & Social Services

CSSB 76(HES) was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

SB 85

The Health, Education & Social Services Committee considered:

SENATE BILL NO. 85

"An Act extending the termination date for the State Medical Board; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (5): Neuman, Gardner, Fairclough, Roses, Wilson

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

2. Fiscal, Senate Finance Committee/Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

SB 85 was referred to the Finance Committee.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The House Special Committee on Fisheries reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Mr. Howard Delo

as a member of the Board of Fisheries.

The report was signed by Representative Seaton, Chair; and Representatives Johnson, Wilson, Johansen, Holmes, and Edgmon.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

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

Honoring - The Honorable Steve M. Thompson, Mayor of the City of Fairbanks

By Representative Kawasaki; Senator Wilken

Honoring - Ann Elledge Shortt, Ed.D.

By Representative Kawasaki; Senator Wilken

Honoring - Dick Thompson, Alaska High School Hall of Fame Class of 2007

By Representative Meyer

Honoring - The 25th Anniversary of the Fairbanks Community Food Bank

By Representative Kawasaki; Senator Wilken

Honoring - Fairbanks Native Association

By Representative Kawasaki; Senator Kookesh

Honoring - Eagle River Wolves Girls Softball Team, 2006 State Champions

By Representative Fairclough; Senator Dyson

Honoring - Glacier Valley Elementary School, Winner of Kennedy Center Art Award

By Representatives Doll, Kerttula; Senator Elton

Honoring - Carol Comeau

By Senator McGuire

Honoring - Academic Pentathlon Team, 1st Place - Bethel Regional High School

By Senator Hoffman; Representative Nelson

In Memoriam - Edward "Curley" Stanley Lynch
By Representative Kohring

In Memoriam - Stephen Dickson
By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

In Memoriam - Truman Kennedy Johnson
By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

In Memoriam - Carole Blankenbeckler
By Representative Johansen; Senator Stedman

In Memoriam - Carroll E. Bass
By Representative Johansen; Senator Stedman

In Memoriam - Holly Michelle Hemry
By Senator McGuire

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 249

HOUSE BILL NO. 249 by Representative Dahlstrom, entitled:

"An Act providing notice of and authorizing the legislative council and the supreme court to enter into a lease-purchase agreement for a consolidated office building in Anchorage; relating to the issuance of certificates of participation for the consolidated office building; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 250

HOUSE BILL NO. 250 by Representatives Doogan and Dahlstrom, entitled:

"An Act relating to children engaging in inappropriate sexual conduct."

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

HB 251

HOUSE BILL NO. 251 by Representatives Dahlstrom, Lynn, Johnson, LeDoux, and Doll, entitled:

"An Act relating to the use of credited military service by retired peace officers and fire fighters to meet certain requirements for major medical insurance coverage benefits."

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

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR**SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS****HB 67**

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the following would be moved to the bottom of the calendar:

HOUSE BILL NO. 67

"An Act relating to an optional exemption from municipal property taxes on certain residences of law enforcement officers."

HB 162

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 162

"An Act relating to mortgage lenders, mortgage brokers, mortgage originators, state agents who collect program administration fees, and other persons who engage in activities relating to mortgage lending; relating to mortgage loan activities; relating to an originator fund; relating to fees for mortgage loan transactions; and providing for an effective date."

with the:

Journal Page

L&C RPT CS(L&C) NT 1DP 5NR	845
FN1: ZERO(LAW)	846
FN2: (ADM)	846
FN3: (CED)	846
FIN RPT CS(L&C) NT 5DP 5NR	957
FN1: ZERO(LAW)	957
FN2: (ADM)	957
FN3: (CED)	957

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. 162(L&C)

"An Act relating to mortgage lenders, mortgage brokers, mortgage originators, state agents who collect program administration fees, and other persons who engage in activities relating to mortgage lending; relating to mortgage loan activities; relating to an originator fund; relating to fees for mortgage loan transactions; making certain violations unfair trade practices; relating to persons who are licensed under the Alaska Small Loans Act; and providing for an effective date."

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 162(L&C) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage.

There was objection.

CSHB 162(L&C) will advance to third reading on tomorrow's calendar.

HB 184

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 184

"An Act relating to a commemorative troops license plate; and providing for an effective date."

with the:	Journal Page
MLV RPT CS(MLV) NT 4DP 1DNP 2NR	691
FN1: INDETERMINATE(ADM)	692
STA REFERRAL WAIVED	782
FIN RPT CS(FIN) NT 6DP 3NR	958
FN1: INDETERMINATE(ADM)	958

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. 184(FIN)

"An Act relating to a commemorative troops license plate and to license plates available to disabled veterans; relating to mandatory motor vehicle insurance, license suspensions, mandatory impoundments of vehicles used in certain offenses, and notices relating to motor vehicles and driver's licenses; relating to registration of vehicles for disabled persons; and providing for an effective date."

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 1 was offered by Representatives Gardner, Roses, Gruenberg, and Lynn:

Insert a new bill section to read:

**** Sec. __.** AS 28.01.015(a) is amended to read:

(a) Notwithstanding other provisions in this title, a municipality may adopt an ordinance providing for the impoundment or forfeiture of a

(1) motor vehicle, watercraft, or aircraft involved in the commission of an offense under AS 28.35.030, 28.35.032, or an ordinance with elements substantially similar to AS 28.35.030 or 28.35.032;

(2) motor vehicle involved in the commission of an offense under AS 28.15.291 or an ordinance with elements similar to AS 28.15.291;

(3) motor vehicle used by a person whose license is suspended under AS 28.22.041;

(4) motor vehicle used by a person who fails to carry proof of insurance as required under AS 28.22.019; or

(5) motor vehicle used by a person who has \$1,000 or more in delinquent traffic fines for violations committed within the municipality."

Representative Gardner moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 be adopted.

Representative Ramras objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 1 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 184(FIN)
Second Reading
Amendment No. 1

YEAS: 16 NAYS: 23 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Buch, Cissna, Crawford, Doll, Doogan, Edgmon, Gara, Gardner, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Holmes, Joule, Kawasaki, Lynn, Nelson, Thomas

Nays: Chenault, Coghill, Dahlstrom, Fairclough, Foster, Gatto, Harris, Hawker, Johansen, Johnson, Kelly, Kohring, LeDoux, Meyer, Neuman, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Samuels, Seaton, Stoltze, Wilson

Excused: Kerttula

Kohring changed from "Yea" to "Nay".

And so, Amendment No. 1 was not adopted.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 184(FIN) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 184(FIN) was read the third time.

**Representative Foster, who was excused (page 84), left the Chamber.

The question being: "Shall CSHB 184(FIN) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 184(FIN)
Third Reading
Final Passage

YEAS: 37 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Doogan

Excused: Foster, Kerttula

And so, CSHB 184(FIN) passed the House.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 184(FIN) was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

HB 233

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 233

"An Act relating to giving notice of unclaimed net margin distributions made by electric and telephone cooperatives."

with the:	Journal Page
L&C RPT CS(L&C) 4DP 1NR	959
FN1: ZERO(CED)	959

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. 233(L&C)
(same title)

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 233(L&C) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 233(L&C) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CSHB 233(L&C) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 233(L&C)

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 38 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

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

Excused: Foster, Kerttula

And so, CSHB 233(L&C) passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 87

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the May 1, 2007, calendar (page 1021), was read the third time:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 87(FIN) am

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

The question being: "Shall CSHB 87(FIN) am pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 87(FIN) am

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 31 NAYS: 7 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Buch, Chenault, Coghill, Dahlstrom, Doogan, Edgmon, Fairclough, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Harris, Hawker, Johansen, Johnson, Joule, Kawasaki, Kelly, Kohring, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Neuman, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Samuels, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

Nays: Cissna, Crawford, Doll, Gara, Guttenberg, Holmes, Nelson

Excused: Foster, Kerttula

And so, CSHB 87(FIN) am passed the House.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Crawford gave notice of reconsideration of the vote on CSHB 87(FIN) am.

RECONSIDERATION**HB 87**

Representative Crawford moved and asked unanimous consent that reconsideration of CSHB 87(FIN) am be taken up on the same day. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 87(FIN) am was again before the House in third reading.

The question to be reconsidered: "Shall CSHB 87(FIN) am pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 87(FIN) am--RECONSIDERATION

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 31 NAYS: 7 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Buch, Chenault, Coghill, Crawford, Dahlstrom, Doogan, Edgmon, Fairclough, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Harris, Hawker, Johansen, Johnson, Joule, Kawasaki, Kelly, Kohring, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Neuman, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Samuels, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas, Wilson

Nays: Cissna, Doll, Gara, Guttenberg, Holmes, Nelson, Salmon

Excused: Foster, Kerttula

Doll changed from "Yea" to "Nay".

And so, CSHB 87(FIN) am passed the House on reconsideration.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 87(FIN) am was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS

(continued)

HB 228

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the May 1, 2007, calendar (page 1017), was read the third time:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 228(L&C)

"An Act relating to fees for certain medical treatment and service under the Alaska Workers' Compensation Act; and providing for an effective date."

The question being: "Shall CSHB 228(L&C) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 228(L&C)

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 38 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

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

Excused: Foster, Kerttula

And so, CSHB 228(L&C) passed the House.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 228(L&C) was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

(continued)

HB 67

The following, which was moved to the bottom of the calendar (page 1039), was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 67

"An Act relating to an optional exemption from municipal property taxes on certain residences of law enforcement officers."

with the:

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CRA RPT CS(CRA) 7DP	281
FN1: ZERO(CED)	281
FIN RPT CS(FIN) NT 1DP 6NR 3AM	765
FN1: ZERO(CED)	766

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. 67(FIN)

"An Act relating to a mandatory exemption from municipal property taxes for certain college property and to optional exemptions from municipal property taxes for property of certain fraternal organizations and for certain residences of law enforcement officers; and providing for an effective date."

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 1 was offered by Representatives Roses and Harris:

Page 1, line 2, following "**college property**" (title amendment):

Insert ", **to a mandatory exemption from municipal property taxes for residences of certain widows or widowers,**"

Page 3, following line 11:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"* **Sec. 2.** AS 29.45.030(e) is amended to read:

(e) The real property owned and occupied as the primary residence and permanent place of abode by a [(1)] resident **who is (1)** 65 years of age or older; (2) **a** disabled veteran; [OR] (3) [RESIDENT] at least 60 years **of age and** [OLD WHO IS] the widow or widower of a person who qualified for an exemption under (1) [OR (2)] of this subsection; **or (4) the widow or widower of a person who qualified for an exemption under (2) of this subsection**, is exempt from taxation on the first \$150,000 of the assessed value of the real property. A municipality may, in case of hardship, provide for exemption beyond the first \$150,000 of assessed value in accordance with regulations of the department. Only one exemption may be granted for the same

property and, if two or more persons are eligible for an exemption for the same property, the parties shall decide between or among themselves who is to receive the benefit of the exemption. Real property may not be exempted under this subsection if the assessor determines, after notice and hearing to the parties, that the property was conveyed to the applicant primarily for the purpose of obtaining the exemption. The determination of the assessor may be appealed under AS 44.62.560 - 44.62.570."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 5, line 4:

Delete "Sections 1 and 4"

Insert "Sections 1, 2, and 5"

Representative Roses moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 be adopted. There being no objection, it was so ordered and the new title follows:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 67(FIN) am

"An Act relating to a mandatory exemption from municipal property taxes for certain college property, to a mandatory exemption from municipal property taxes for residences of certain widows or widowers, and to optional exemptions from municipal property taxes for property of certain fraternal organizations and for certain residences of law enforcement officers; and providing for an effective date."

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 67(FIN) am be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 67(FIN) am was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CSHB 67(FIN) am pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 67(FIN) am
Third Reading
Final Passage

YEAS: 33 NAYS: 4 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Buch, Chenault, Crawford, Dahlstrom, Doll, Doogan, Edgmon, Fairclough, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Harris, Hawker, Holmes, Johansen, Johnson, Joule, Kawasaki, Kelly, Kohring, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Seaton, Stoltze, Thomas

Nays: Coghill, Neuman, Samuels, Wilson

Excused: Foster, Kerttula

Absent: Cissna

And so, CSHB 67(FIN) am passed the House.

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 67(FIN) am was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

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

Honoring - Donald M. Cosgrove, Hanshew Middle School Band Director

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

Honoring - Gary Beller, Alaska High School Hall of Fame Class of 2007

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

Honoring - Dwayne G. Davies

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

Honoring - Barbara Dedman Kalen of Skagway

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

Honoring - Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southeast Alaska

By Representatives Kerttula, Doll, Johansen, Thomas, Wilson, Harris, Chenault, Cissna, Crawford, Dahlstrom, Doogan, Edgmon, Fairclough, Gara, Gardner, Gatto, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Holmes, Johnson, Joule, Kawasaki, Kohring, LeDoux, Lynn, Meyer, Nelson, Neuman, Olson, Ramras, Roses, Salmon, Samuels, Seaton; Senators Elton, Kookesh

Honoring - The Youth Restoration Corps & the Resurrection Creek Restoration Partnership

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

Honoring - West High's Thespian Troupe No. 700 and Theatre Department and the Cast of "Moby Dick: The Musical"

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

Honoring - First Baptist Church of Eagle River, 50th Anniversary

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

Honoring - 2007 Gastineau Apartment Fire Heroes

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

Honoring - 30th Anniversary of the Start Up of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline

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

Honoring - George Rogers' 90th Birthday

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

Honoring - Peter Swanson, Principal of the McNeil Canyon School in Homer

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

Honoring - Betty H. Walters, Superintendent of the Kodiak Island Borough School District

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

Honoring - Don Johnston

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

In Memoriam - Burke Riley

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

In Memoriam - Senator Micheal J. Colletta

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

In Memoriam - Margaret Leibowitz

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Samuels moved and asked unanimous consent that the following members be excused from a call of the House. There being no objection, the members were excused as noted:

Representative Cissna - from 6:00 a.m., May 4 to morning plane time, May 5

Representative Joule - from 1:00 p.m., May 5 to 8:00 a.m., May 8

HB 200

The Speaker added a Finance Committee referral for the following:

HOUSE BILL NO. 200

"An Act relating to the presumption of coverage for a workers' compensation claim for disability as a result of certain diseases for certain occupations."

HB 200 is in the Judiciary Committee.

HJR 20

Representative Guttenberg added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20

Urging the United States Congress to intervene to eliminate or reduce the planned parcel post and bypass mail rate increases adopted by the United States Postal Service because of the severe effect the rate increases will have on rural Alaska.

HJR 22

Representative Buch added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22

Denouncing the National Entertainment Collectibles Association's production of the Rapist No. 1 collectible doll.

HB 67

Representative Roses added his name as cosponsor to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 67(FIN) am

"An Act relating to a mandatory exemption from municipal property taxes for certain college property, to a mandatory exemption from municipal property taxes for residences of certain widows or widowers, and to optional exemptions from municipal property taxes for property of certain fraternal organizations and for certain residences of law enforcement officers; and providing for an effective date."

HB 184

Representatives Gara, Johnson, Seaton, Olson, and Fairclough added their names as cosponsors to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 184(FIN)

"An Act relating to a commemorative troops license plate and to license plates available to disabled veterans; relating to mandatory motor vehicle insurance, license suspensions, mandatory impoundments of vehicles used in certain offenses, and notices relating to motor vehicles and driver's licenses; relating to registration of vehicles for disabled persons; and providing for an effective date."

HB 200

Representative Gardner added her name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 200

"An Act relating to the presumption of coverage for a workers' compensation claim for disability as a result of certain diseases for certain occupations."

HB 246

Representative Kerttula added her name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 246

"An Act relating to surcharges on oil production that are available for appropriation to accounts in the oil and hazardous substance release prevention and response fund."

SB 76

Representative Stoltze added his name as cross sponsor to:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 76(HES)

"An Act establishing a higher education savings program for eligible children who were placed in out-of-home care by the state; and providing for confidentiality of identifying information of a beneficiary under the program."

ENGROSSMENT**HB 67**

CSHB 67(FIN) am was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 87

CSHB 87(FIN) am was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 184

CSHB 184(FIN) was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 228

CSHB 228(L&C) was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 233

CSHB 233(L&C) was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

With appointment of the Conference Committee on the operating budget, Rule 23(d) of the Uniform Rules is in effect as of April 27, 2007.

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., May 3, 2007. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Suzi Lowell
Chief Clerk