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Fifty-first Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Harris at 10:06 a.m.

Roll call showed 28 members present. Representatives Coghill, Crawford, Fairclough, Foster, Gardner, Gatto, Holmes, and Samuels had been excused from a call of the House today. Representative Johansen was absent and his presence was noted later. Representatives Hawker, Kelly, and Nelson were absent.

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

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

Dear Father: You who made the world and all that is in it, I give you thanks for this day. This is the day the Lord has made, I will rejoice and be glad in it.

Thank you for the privilege of praying for this House and those who serve here. The ancient words tell us, "there is no authority except that which God has established" and to pray for "all those in authority."

I ask that each of these men and women reflect that they are here at a divinely appointed time. Part of the reason they are

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in this place is because you have led them here. Remind us that history moves at the direction of a sovereign God. You allow us to take part in that which you are doing on the earth and in this state.

Direct each representative here to be a good steward of the power that you have given. May they wield that power with an attitude of service toward the citizens of Alaska. Help them listen to others with respect; assist them to stand strong for their ideals and principles when there is opposition; guide them in finding compromise when needed; strengthen them to make good decisions when all discussion is finished. Let them hear from their constituents a word of "well done good and faithful servant."

I ask these things in the name of my Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Neuman.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Dahlstrom, Acting Majority Leader, moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 50th legislative day be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

HB 273

A message dated March 4, 2008, was read stating the Senate passed:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 273(FIN)

"An Act relating to school funding, funding for student transportation services, the base student allocation, district cost factors, and the adjustments for intensive services and average daily membership calculations; and providing for an effective date."

CSHB 273(FIN) was referred to the Chief Clerk for enrollment.

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**The presence of Representative Johansen was noted.

A message dated March 4, 2008, was read stating the Senate passed the following and it is transmitted for consideration:

FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

SJR 12

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 12(STA) by the Senate State Affairs Committee:

Requesting that Alaska be exempt from changes to the interpretation of the Passenger Vessel Services Act of June 19, 1886, proposed by the United States Department of Homeland Security, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, affecting cruise itineraries of foreign-flagged vessels transporting passengers to ports in Alaska; or, if Alaska is not exempted, opposing the proposed changes to the interpretation of that Act.

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

HB 269

The State Affairs Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 269

"An Act requiring the state to procure United States and Alaska flags manufactured in the United States; and requiring state buildings and schools to display only United States and Alaska flags manufactured in the United States."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 269(STA)

"An Act requiring state institutions and public schools to procure United States and Alaska flags manufactured in the United States." The report was signed by Representative Lynn, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (1): Lynn

Do not pass (1): Coghill

No recommendation (4): Johnson, Johansen, Roses, Doll

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 269(STA):

1. Zero, Dept. of Administration

HB 269 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 326

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 326

"An Act authorizing the governor to delegate to the adjutant general the authority to order the organized militia into active state service and authorizing the payment of Alaska National Guard called into active state service to fight wildfires at rates of pay established for certain emergency fire-fighting personnel; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 326(FIN)

"An Act authorizing the governor to order the organized militia into active state service to fight wildland fire, authorizing the governor to delegate to the adjutant general the authority to order the organized militia into active state service to fight wildland fire, and authorizing the payment of Alaska National Guard called into active state service to fight wildland fire at rates of pay established for certain emergency fire-fighting personnel; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (3): Nelson, Stoltze, Meyer

No recommendation (5): Hawker, Joule, Crawford, Thomas, Kelly

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 326(FIN):

- 1. Zero, Dept. of Administration
- 4. Zero, Dept. of Military & Veterans' Affairs
- 5. Indeterminate, Dept. of Natural Resources

HB 326 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

SB 72

The Finance Committee considered:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 72(FIN)

"An Act relating to the community revenue sharing program; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 72(FIN)

"An Act relating to the community revenue sharing program; repealing certain programs providing state payments to municipalities and other entities; and providing for an effective date."

(pending title change resolution)

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

Do pass (6): Hawker, Crawford, Joule, Nelson, Meyer, Chenault

Do not pass (1): Kelly

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No recommendation (2): Stoltze, Thomas

The following fiscal note(s) apply to HCS CSSB 72(FIN):

- 6. Zero, Dept. of Administration
- 7. Zero, Dept. of Natural Resources
- 8. Fiscal, House Finance Committee/Dept. of Commerce, Community,
- & Economic Development

CSSB 72(FIN) 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 – Dorothy I. Perdue By Representative Kawasaki; Senator Wilken

Commemorating – Law Enforcement Memorial Day, May 9, 2008 By Representatives Harris, Dahlstrom

In Memoriam – Jerome E. Hallberg By Representative Kawasaki; Senator Wilken

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HCR 24

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24 by the House Finance Committee:

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning Senate Bill No. 72, relating to the community revenue sharing program.

was read the first time and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Dahlstrom 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 – Anchorage Christian School, 2007 1-2-3A State Wrestling Champions

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

Honoring – Anchorage Christian School, 2007 Girls State Track and Field 1-2-3A Team Award

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

In Memoriam – Shirley LeDoux

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Dahlstrom 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 Chenault – from 11:30 a.m., March 6 to morning plane time, March 10

Representative Nelson - from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., March 11

Representative Salmon – from 11:30 a.m., March 6 to evening plane time, March 16

Representative Wilson – from 11:00 a.m., March 8 to afternoon plane time, March 9

HJR 28

Representative Johnson added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 28

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to the production tax revenue fund, dedicating a portion of the petroleum production tax to the fund, and limiting appropriations from the fund.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published daily under separate cover.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Dahlstrom moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:00 a.m., March 6, 2008, for a technical session. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

> Suzi Lowell Chief Clerk