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Friday

February 8, 2008

Twenty-fifth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Green at 11:05 a.m.

The roll showed seventeen members present. Senators Cowdery, French, Huggins were excused from a call of the Senate.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Mike Rose of the Juneau Christian Center. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

O Lord, our Lord how majestic is your name in all the earth. You have set your glory above the heavens. When I consider your heavens, and work of your fingers, the moon and the stars which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him.

Lord, as I reflect on these words from the Psalmist David, I can't help but echo a sense of how awesome and purposeful your creation is, which reflects the glory of the creator.

Heavenly Father thank you for this beautiful day and for the opportunity to live life with purpose. May your blessing, and favor be upon all those in the Senate. We ask for wisdom, direction and guidance in the decisions that are made here today. Help us to live our lives in the fullness of your purpose. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Senator Ellis led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the twenty-third and twenty-fourth legislative days and House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 12 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Communications

The following report is on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate:

Public Decisions Volume XI, January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2007
from Dennis "Skip" Cook, Chair
Select Committee on Legislative Ethics
in accordance with AS 24.60.150

Standing Committee Reports

SB 57

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 57 "An Act relating to hunting in marine park units of the Alaska state park system, amending the area within designated marine park units of the Alaska state park system, and adding marine park units to the Alaska state park system" and recommended the adoption of the Resources Committee Substitute offered on page 1108.

Signing no recommendation: Senators Hoffman, Stedman, Cochairs; Senators Olson, Dyson. Signing do pass: Senators Elton, Thomas.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Natural Resources

Fiscal Note No. 3, zero, Department of Fish and Game

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 77

The State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 77 "An Act prohibiting use of agency shop fees for political contributions or expenditures." Signing do pass: Senator McGuire, Chair; Senators Stevens, Bunde, Green.

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 161

The Community and Regional Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 161 "An Act relating to the Alaska coastal management program" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 161(CRA) "An Act relating to the Alaska coastal management program; establishing the Alaska Coastal Policy Council; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Olson, Chair; Senators Thomas, Kookesh.
Signing no recommendation: Senators Wagoner, Stevens.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, indeterminate, Department of Natural Resources

Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Environmental Conservation

Fiscal Note No. 3, Department of Environmental Conservation

Fiscal Note No. 4, Department of Environmental Conservation

Fiscal Note No. 5, Department of Environmental Conservation

The bill was referred to the Resources Committee.

SB 216

The Transportation Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 216 "An Act designating the Alaska Highway and portion of the Richardson Highway as the Purple Heart Trail" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 216(TRA)

Signing do pass: Senator Kookesh, Chair; Senators Wielechowski, Olson. Signing no recommendation: Senator Wilken.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

President Green added a Finance Committee referral to the bill.

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 223

The State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 223 "An Act providing for and relating to the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of a scientific crime detection laboratory; and providing for an effective date." Signing no recommendation: Senator McGuire, Chair; Senator Stevens. Signing do not pass: Senator Bunde. Signing amend: Senator Green.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Office of the Governor

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 224

The Transportation Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 224 "An Act providing for and relating to the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of paying the cost of state transportation projects; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Kookesh, Chair. Signing no recommendation: Senators Wilken, Wielechowski.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Office of the Governor

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 252

The Health, Education and Social Services Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 252(STA) "An Act requiring paid leave from employment for organ and bone marrow donation." Signing do pass: Senator Davis, Chair; Senators Elton, Thomas. Signing no recommendation: Senator Dyson.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 6, zero, Department of Administration

The bill was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

HB 317

The State Affairs Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 317 "An Act eliminating the limit on compassionate gifts that a legislator or legislative employee may solicit, accept, or receive under the Legislative Ethics Act; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator McGuire, Chair; Senators Stevens, Green, Bunde.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Legislative Agency

The bill is on today's calendar.

SCR 17

The Health, Education and Social Services Committee considered SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17 Relating to establishing March 2008 as Brain Injury Awareness Month. Signing do pass: Senator Davis, Chair; Senator Elton. Signing amend: Senators Thomas, Dyson.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Senate Health, Education and Social Services Committee

The resolution was referred to the Rules Committee.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills**SB 263**

SENATE BILL NO. 263 BY SENATOR THOMAS, entitled:

"An Act relating to the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors; and relating to an exemption for persons certified by the National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technologies who are engaged in the design of fire detection and suppression systems from registration as architects, engineers, land surveyors, or landscape architects."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce Committee.

Consideration of the Calendar**Second Reading of House Bills****HB 317**

HOUSE BILL NO. 317 "An Act eliminating the limit on compassionate gifts that a legislator or legislative employee may solicit, accept, or receive under the Legislative Ethics Act; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the bill be advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Without objection, it was so ordered.

HOUSE BILL NO. 317 was read the third time.

Senators Wilken, Wagoner, Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on the bill. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall HOUSE BILL NO. 317 "An Act eliminating the limit on compassionate gifts that a legislator or legislative employee may solicit, accept, or receive under the Legislative Ethics Act; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 317

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date

YEAS: 17 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Green, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

Excused: Cowdery, French, Huggins

and so, HOUSE BILL NO. 317 passed the Senate.

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the vote on the passage of the bill be considered the vote on the effective date clause. Without objection, it was so ordered and the bill was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

Citations

Honoring – Kodiak High School Track Team 2007 State Champions
Senator(s) Stevens, Green, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken
Representative(s) LeDoux

Honoring – Angeline and Jolene Edge
Senator(s) Stevens, Green, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken
Representative(s) LeDoux

Honoring – Kodiak High School Boys Cross Country Team 2007 State Champions

Senator(s) Stevens, Green, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

Representative(s) LeDoux

Honoring – The Don and Alice McKee Family

Representative(s) Kelly

Senator(s) Thomas, Green, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

Honoring – Chugiak High School Girls Soccer Team 2007 State Champions

Representative(s) Stoltze, Fairclough, Dahlstrom

Senator(s) Dyson, Huggins, Bunde, Green, Cowdery, Davis, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

Honoring – Donene Tweten

Representative(s) LeDoux

Senator(s) Stevens, Green, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

In Memoriam – Wanda Marie Fields

Senator(s) Stevens, Green, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

Representative(s) LeDoux

In Memoriam – Beatrice K. Rose

Senator(s) Bunde, Green, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

Representative(s) Gruenberg

In Memoriam – Howard Hedges

Senator(s) Stevens, Green, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

Representative(s) LeDoux

In Memoriam – Erik Alan Lochman

Senator(s) Stevens, Green, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

Representative(s) LeDoux

In Memoriam – Mabel Johnson

Representative(s) Joule

Senator(s) Olson, Green, Bunde, Cowdery, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

In Memoriam – Stanley D. Brown

Representative(s) Stoltze, Fairclough, Dahlstrom

Senator(s) Dyson, Huggins, Bunde, Green, Cowdery, Davis, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

In Memoriam – Leslie F. and Dorothy Florence Fetrow

Representative(s) Stoltze, Dahlstrom, Fairclough

Senator(s) Dyson, Huggins, Bunde, Green, Cowdery, Davis, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

In Memoriam – Natalie H. Brooks

Representative(s) Stoltze, Dahlstrom, Fairclough

Senator(s) Dyson, Huggins, Bunde, Green, Cowdery, Davis, Ellis, Elton, Hoffman, Kookesh, McGuire, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski, Wilken

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the citations be adopted. Without objection, the citations were adopted and referred to the Secretary for transmittal.

Unfinished Business

Senator Stedman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from February 9 through plane time, February 10. Without objection, Senator Stedman was excused.

Senator Kookesh moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from morning plane time, February 14 through evening plane time, February 15; and from morning plane time, March 12 through evening plane time, March 14. Without objection, Senator Kookesh was excused.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from evening, February 20 through February 21. Without objection, Senator Hoffman was excused.

SB 77

Senators Wagoner, Green, Stevens, Dyson, McGuire, Stedman moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on SENATE BILL NO. 77 "An Act prohibiting use of agency shop fees for political contributions or expenditures." Without objection, it was so ordered.

HB 166

Senator Therriault moved and asked unanimous consent that his name be withdrawn as a cross sponsor on CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 166(FIN) "An Act relating to contributions from permanent fund dividends to community foundations, to certain educational organizations, and to certain other charitable organizations; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., February 11, 2008. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Kirsten Waid
Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Feb 12 Tuesday Beltz 211 3:30 PM

+ SB 204 MUNI TAX EXEMPTION: COMBAT DEATHS
+ SJR 15 DISAPPROVING KETCHIKAN ANNEXATION
Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 14 Thursday Beltz 211 3:30 PM

No Meeting Scheduled

FINANCE

Feb 08 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

+ SB 57 MARINE PARKS ADDITIONS/HUNTING ALLOWED
+ HB 13 RETIREMENT SYSTEM LIABILITY/BONDS/CORP.
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
+= SB 119 SCHOOL LIBRARY GRANTS

Feb 11 Monday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

+ SB 256 SUPPLEMENTAL/CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 12 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

No Meeting Scheduled

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FINANCE (continued)

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| Feb 13 | Wednesday | Senate Finance 532 | 9:00 AM |
| + | Revenue Forecast by Commissioner Galvin, Dept of Revenue | | |
| + | Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled | | |
| Feb 14 | Thursday | Senate Finance 532 | 9:00 AM |
| + | SB 196 | PRESCRIPTION DATABASE | |
| + | SB 255 | SNETTISHAM REFUNDING BONDS | |
| + | Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled | | |
| Feb 15 | Friday | Senate Finance 532 | 9:00 AM |
| + | SB 240 | EDUCATION FUNDING | |
| + | HB 273 | EDUCATION FUNDING | |
| | | <Pending Referral> | |
| + | Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled | | |
| Feb 16 | Saturday | Senate Finance 532 | 10:00 AM |
| | -- Please Note Time Change -- | | |
| + | Presentation: Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Housing Trust, Bring the Kids Home Initiative, Crime, and Recidivism | | |

HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES

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| Feb 08 | Friday | Butrovich 205 | 1:30 PM |
| += | SB 245 | HEALTH CARE: PLAN/COMMISSION/FACILITIES | |
| | | Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled | |
| Feb 11 | Monday | Butrovich 205 | 1:30 PM |
| + | SB 170 | INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR WELL-BABY EXAMS | |
| + | SB 181 | ANATOMICAL GIFTS | |
| | Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled | | |
| Feb 13 | Wednesday | Butrovich 205 | 1:30 PM |
| + | SB 241 | UNIV. REPORT: TEACHER TRAINING/RETENTION | |
| + | SB 107 | NATUROPATHS | |
| + | SB 239 | DENTAL HYGIENISTS/DENTAL PRACTICE | |
| | Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled | | |

HEALTH, EDUCATION & SOCIAL SERVICES (continued)

Feb 15 Friday Capitol 106 1:30 PM
 + Joint with House HES
 Presentation: Bring the Kids Home

JUDICIARY

Feb 08 Friday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Feb 11 Monday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 += SB 211 AGGRAVATING FACTOR: HOMELESSNESS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 += SB 226 VEXATIOUS LITIGANTS
 += SB 247 MISSING PERSONS
 + Other Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 13 Wednesday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 + Presentation: Status of Point Thomson
 Alaska Department of Law
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 15 Friday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 + HB 197 TRUSTS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

Feb 09 Saturday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 += HJR 25 SUPPORTING RIGHT TO FORM LABOR UNIONS
 += SB 120 UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BENEFITS

Feb 12 Tuesday Beltz 211 1:30 PM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Including But Not Limited to:
 += SB 187 ALASKA MINIMUM WAGE

LABOR & COMMERCE (continued)

Feb 14 Thursday Beltz 211 1:30 PM

+ HB 233 UNCLAIMED PHONE/ELEC COOP DISTRIBUTIONS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Including But Not Limited to:
 += SB 230 FILM OFFICE/ FILM PRODUCTION TAX CREDIT

Feb 16 Saturday Beltz 211 1:30 PM

+= HJR 25 SUPPORTING RIGHT TO FORM LABOR UNIONS
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 += HB 226 REPEAL TERMINATION OF STEP PROGRAM

RESOURCES

Feb 08 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

No Meeting Scheduled

Feb 11 Monday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

+ Presentation: AGIA Applicant
 Alaska Gasline Port Authority
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 13 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

+ SB 251 VESSEL PERMIT SYSTEM
 + SB 246 SUSITNA HYDRO WORKING GROUP; REPORT
 + SB 248 SALMON PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDIT
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 15 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

+ Presentation: AGIA Applicant
 AENERGIA
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 16 Saturday Butrovich 205 11:00 AM

+ SB 253 BOARD OF GAME
 + SB 229 TANANA VALLEY FOREST/MINTO FLATS REFUGE
 + SB 237 MGMT OF SUSTAINABLE SALMON FISHERIES
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

STATE AFFAIRS

Feb 12 Tuesday Beltz 211 9:00 AM
+= SB 185 SEX OFFENDER/CHILD KIDNAPPER REGISTRATION
+= SB 201 PUBLIC FINANCE WEBSITE
+ SB 257 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE/REGISTER DISTRIBUTION
+= HB 101 UNIFORM TRAFFIC LAWS
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 14 Thursday Beltz 211 9:00 AM
+ SCR 15 AMEND UNIFORM RULES: STANDING COMMITTEES
+= SB 215 REQUIREMENTS FOR DRIVER'S LICENSE/I.D.
+ SB 202 PROHIBIT STATE SPENDING FOR REAL ID ACT
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Feb 12 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:00 PM
SB 164 USED MOTOR VEHICLE SALES
SB 249 CAPSTONE AVIONICS FUND/LOANS
Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 14 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:00 PM
Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES**ADMINISTRATION**

Feb 19 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 3:00 PM
+ Overview: Governor's Amendments
Q & A

Mar 10 Monday Senate Finance 532 4:00 PM
+ Budget Close-out

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)**COMMERCE, COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEV**

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| Feb 08 | Friday Joint with House FY09 Budget Request | House Finance 519 | 12:15 PM |
| Feb 15 | Friday Joint with House FY09 Budget Request | House Finance 519 | 12:15 PM |

COURT SYSTEM

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| Feb 14 + | Thursday FY09 Budget Mental Health Trust Funds | Fahrenkamp 203 | 3:00 PM |
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EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT

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| Feb 11 | Monday FY09 Budget Overview | Fahrenkamp 203 | 12:00 PM |
| Feb 15 | Friday FY09 Budget Overview | Butrovich 205 | 8:00 AM |
| Feb 29 | Friday FY09 Budget Overview | Butrovich 205 | 8:00 AM |
| Mar 07 | Friday FY09 Budget Overview | Butrovich 205 | 8:00 AM |
| Mar 12 | Wednesday FY09 Budget Overview | Butrovich 205 | 12:00 PM |

GOVERNOR

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| Feb 12 | Tuesday Budget Subcommittee Meeting | Senate Finance 532 | 4:00 PM |
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FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)**GOVERNOR (continued)**

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| Mar 12 | Wednesday | Senate Finance 532 | 3:00 PM |
| | Close-out Meeting | | |

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

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| Feb 14 | Thursday | Fahrenkamp 203 | 8:00 AM |
| + | Department Budget - Explanation of Changes from Last Year's Budget -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- | | |

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| Feb 28 | Thursday | Fahrenkamp 203 | 8:00 AM |
| + | Department Budget - Questions & Answers -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- | | |

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| Mar 06 | Thursday | Senate Finance 532 | 12:30 PM |
| + | Department Budget Close-Out -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- | | |

LABOR & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

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| Feb 11 | Monday | House Finance 519 | 5:15 PM |
| | -- MEETING CANCELED -- Joint with House FY09 Budget Request | | |

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| Feb 13 | Wednesday | House Finance 519 | 5:15 PM |
| | -- MEETING CANCELED -- Joint with House FY09 Budget Request | | |

LAW

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| Feb 19 | Tuesday | Fahrenkamp 203 | 1:30 PM |
| | Budget Overview | | |

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)**LAW (continued)**

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| Feb 26 | Tuesday Budget Detail | Fahrenkamp 203 | 1:30 PM |
| Mar 04 | Tuesday Budget Detail | Fahrenkamp 203 | 1:30 PM |
| Mar 11 | Tuesday Close-out | Fahrenkamp 203 | 1:30 PM |

LEGISLATURE

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| Feb 12 | Tuesday Budget Subcommittee Meeting | Senate Finance 532 | 4:30 PM |
| Mar 12 | Wednesday Close-out Meeting | Senate Finance 532 | 3:30 PM |

MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

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| Mar 05 | Wednesday FY09 DMVA Budget Closeout | Fahrenkamp 203 | 1:00 PM |
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NATURAL RESOURCES

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| Feb 12 | Tuesday -- Location Change -- FY09 Budget Overview | Butrovich 205 | 4:00 PM |
| Feb 19 | Tuesday FY09 Budget Overview | Fahrenkamp 203 | 4:00 PM |
| Feb 26 | Tuesday FY09 Budget Overview | Fahrenkamp 203 | 4:00 PM |

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)**NATURAL RESOURCES (continued)**

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| Mar 04 | Tuesday | Fahrenkamp 203 | 4:00 PM |
| | FY09 Budget Closeout | | |
| Mar 11 | Tuesday | Fahrenkamp 203 | 4:00 PM |
| | FY09 Budget Overview | | |

PUBLIC SAFETY

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| Feb 19 | Tuesday | Fahrenkamp 203 | 8:00 AM |
| + | Department Budget - Questions & Answers | | |
| | -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- | | |
| Mar 04 | Tuesday | Fahrenkamp 203 | 8:00 AM |
| + | Department Budget Close-Out | | |
| | -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- | | |

REVENUE

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| Feb 21 | Thursday | Fahrenkamp 203 | 1:30 PM |
| | Budget Overview: Department of Revenue | | |
| Feb 28 | Thursday | Fahrenkamp 203 | 1:30 PM |
| | Budget Detail | | |
| Mar 06 | Thursday | Fahrenkamp 203 | 1:30 PM |
| | Budget Detail | | |
| Mar 13 | Thursday | Fahrenkamp 203 | 1:30 PM |
| | Close-out | | |

TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES

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| Feb 14 | Thursday | Senate Finance 532 | 3:30 PM |
| | Finish FY09 Budget Overview | | |
| | Marine Highway System | | |

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)**UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA**

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| Feb 21 | Thursday | Senate Finance 532 | 7:30 AM |
| | Budget Overview: University of Alaska | | |

SPECIAL COMMITTEES**SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

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| Feb 08 | Friday | Butrovich 205 | 8:00 AM |
| | -- MEETING CANCELED -- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled | | |

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| Feb 09 | Saturday | Butrovich 205 | 10:00 AM |
| | -- MEETING CANCELED -- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled | | |

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| Feb 13 | Wednesday | Butrovich 205 | 8:00 AM |
| HB 192 | LAYOFF/NONRETENTION OF TEACHERS | | |
| | Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled | | |
| | Including But Not Limited to: | | |
| = SB 14 | RAISE COMP. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AGE | | |

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| Feb 15 | Friday | Butrovich 205 | 8:00 AM |
| | No Meeting Scheduled | | |

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| Feb 16 | Saturday | Butrovich 205 | 10:00 AM |
| | Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled | | |

JOINT COMMITTEES**ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE**

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| Feb 12 | Tuesday | Senate Finance 532 | 1:00 PM |
| | Presentations by: | | |
| | Lt. General Douglas M. Frasier | | |
| | Alaska Army National Guard | | |
| | Alaska Air National Guard | | |

OTHER MEETINGS**JOINT LEGISLATIVE HEALTH CAUCUS**

Mar 19 **Wednesday** **Butrovich 205** **12:00 PM**
Measuring Success: Improving Health
Indicators

JOINT SESSION

Feb 19 **Tuesday** **House Chamber** **11:00 AM**
Annual Address by the Honorable Ted Stevens, U.S. Senator

Mar 17 **Monday** **House Chamber** **11:00 AM**
Annual Address by the Honorable Lisa Murkowski
U.S. Senator

MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS

Feb 11 **Monday** **Senate Finance 532** **2:00 PM**
SCHOOL DISTRICT LEGISLATIVE FLY-IN
Informal Q & A Session Regarding Alaska's
Public School System