

**SENATE JOURNAL**  
**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE**  
**TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE**  
**THIRD SPECIAL SESSION**

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Wednesday**

**June 11, 2008**

**Ninth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President pro tempore Stevens at 10:39 a.m. The Senate was convened for the purpose of a technical session.

President pro tempore Stevens stated the roll call of the Senate would be waived. Without objection, it was so ordered.

**Unfinished Business**

**SB 196**

President Green submitted the following letter, dated June 10, for publication:

Dear Governor Palin,

I am concerned by the context of your transmittal letter regarding your concerns for not signing Senate Bill 196 into law. In the first paragraph you state "A major goal of the bill is laudable - curbing prescription drug abuse through a proactive approach of reviewing a patient's prescription history before dispensing certain controlled substances." And in the third paragraph "...personal information about the drugs prescribed to that person appears in a database accessible throughout the state."

I want to ease your concerns about the amount of prescription information that is captured in this database. Only schedule I-V prescriptions are collected; this is only 10-15% of all prescriptions dispensed. Schedule I-V prescriptions are those that are determined by

the federal Drug Enforcement Administration to have potential for abuse and that the abuse may lead to physical dependence or psychological dependence. Most Alaskans will never have their information recorded in the database.

Many of us share your concern for privacy of personal information. Senate Bill 196 requires security measures and identifies the criminal charges for any breach of information. A report to the legislature on how data security will be insured is required at the beginning of the next legislative session. The legislature can decide whether or not to amend the law to make the data more secure before the database "goes live" to our medical community. Alaska's prescription drug monitoring program contains personal privacy measures that are stricter than or equal to the other 40 United States with similar programs already in place.

I appreciate the positive feedback I've received from many of the professionals in your administration who are eager to implement Alaska's prescription drug monitoring program to start down the long road of stopping prescription drug abuse in Alaska.

Sincerely,  
/s/  
Lyda Green

### **Announcements**

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

### **Adjournment**

President pro tempore Stevens stated the Senate would stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., June 15, 2008. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

Kirsten Waid  
Secretary of the Senate

**Announcements**

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**SPECIAL COMMITTEES****SENATE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ENERGY**

**Jun 12 Thursday Fbx Carlson Center 10:00 AM**

+ SB3001 APPROVING AGIA LICENSE  
10am - 5pm - Testimony <Invitation Only>  
Joint w/(H) Rules  
Review of AGIA Findings & Determination;  
Natural Gas Pipeline Project as proposed  
by TransCanada Alaska Company, LLC and  
Foothills Pipelines Ltd (TC Alaska) to  
the State of Alaska  
--In-State Gas:  
Presenters: AK Gasline Port Authority;  
AK Natural Gas Development Authority  
Enstar

**Jun 13 Friday Fbx Carlson Center 10:00 AM**

-- Time Change --  
+ SB3001 APPROVING AGIA LICENSE  
10am - 5pm - Testimony <Invitation Only>  
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Foothills Pipelines Ltd (TC Alaska) to  
the State of Alaska  
Presenters: TransCanada; Administration

**SENATE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ENERGY (continued)**

**Jun 14 Saturday Fbx Carlson Center 10:00 AM**  
-- Time Change --  
+ SB3001 APPROVING AGIA LICENSE  
10am - 5pm - Public Testimony  
Joint w/(H) Rules  
Review of AGIA Findings & Determination;  
Natural Gas Pipeline Project as proposed  
by TransCanada Alaska Company, LLC and  
Foothills Pipelines Ltd (TC Alaska) to  
the State of Alaska  
Presenters: TransCanada; Administration

**Jun 16 Monday Anchorage 9:00 AM**  
Location: Howard Johnsons (239 W. 4th)  
--corner of 4th and C--  
+ SB3001 APPROVING AGIA LICENSE  
9am - 5pm - Testimony <Invitation Only>  
Joint w/(H) Rules  
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the State of Alaska  
-- Regulatory Agencies:  
Presenters: FERC; Regulatory Commission  
of Alaska (RCA)

**Jun 17 Tuesday Anchorage 9:00 AM**  
Location: Howard Johnsons 239 W. 4th  
--corner of 4th and C--  
+ SB3001 APPROVING AGIA LICENSE  
9am - 5pm - Testimony <Invitation Only>  
Joint w/(H) Rules  
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by TransCanada Alaska Company, LLC and  
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the State of Alaska  
-- Point Thomson Unit:  
Presenters: DNR-Nan Thompson;  
AOGCC-Cathy Foerster; ExxonMobil; Chevron

**SENATE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ENERGY (continued)**

<b>Jun 18</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Anchorage</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
Location: Howard Johnsons 239 W. 4th (corner of 4th & C)			
+ SB3001	APPROVING AGIA LICENSE	9am - 5pm - Testimony <Invitation Only>	
		6pm - 8pm - Public Testimony	
		Joint w/(H) Rules	
		Review of AGIA Findings & Determination;	
		Natural Gas Pipeline Project as proposed	
		by TransCanada Alaska Company, LLC and	
		Foothills Pipelines Ltd (TC Alaska) to	
		the State of Alaska	
		Presenters: TransCanada; Administration	
<b>Jun 19</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Anchorage</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
Location: Howard Johnsons 239 W. 4th (corner of 4th & C)			
+ SB3001	APPROVING AGIA LICENSE	9am - 5pm - Testimony <Invitation Only> -	
		6pm - 8pm - Public Testimony	
		Joint w/(H) Rules	
		Review of AGIA Findings & Determination;	
		Natural Gas Pipeline Project as proposed	
		by TransCanada Alaska Company, LLC and	
		Foothills Pipelines Ltd (TC Alaska) to	
		the State of Alaska	
		Presenters: TransCanada; Administration	
<b>Jun 20</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Anchorage</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
Location: Howard Johnsons (239 W. 4th)			
		--corner of 4th and C--	
+ SB3001	APPROVING AGIA LICENSE	9am - 5pm - Testimony <Invitation Only>	
		Joint w/(H) Rules	
		Review of AGIA Findings & Determination;	
		Natural Gas Pipeline Project as proposed	
		by TransCanada Alaska Company, LLC and	
		Foothills Pipelines Ltd (TC Alaska) to	
		the State of Alaska	
		-- In-State Gas:	
		Presenters: AK Natural Gas Development	
		Authority; Enstar; AK Natural Resources	
		to Liquids; EconOne; AK Gasline	
		Port Authority	

**SENATE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ENERGY (continued)**

<b>Jun 24</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Mat-su</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>
Location: Palmer Train Depot			
+ SB3001	APPROVING AGIA LICENSE		
1pm - 5pm - Testimony <Invitation Only>			
5pm - 6pm Break			
6pm - 8pm - Public Testimony			
Joint w/(H) Rules			
Review of AGIA Findings & Determination;			
Natural Gas Pipeline Project as proposed by TransCanada			
Alaska Company, LLC and Foothills Pipelines Ltd (TC Alaska)			
to the State of Alaska			
Presenters: TransCanada; Administration			
<b>Jun 26</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Kenai</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>
Location: Soldotna Sports Center			
+ SB3001	APPROVING AGIA LICENSE		
1pm - 5pm - Testimony <Invitation Only>			
5pm - 6pm - Break			
6pm - 8pm - Public Testimony			
Joint w/(H) Rules			
Review of AGIA Findings & Determination;			
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Alaska Company, LLC and Foothills Pipelines Ltd (TC Alaska)			
to the State of Alaska			
Presenters: TransCanada; Administration			
<b>Jun 30</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Barrow</b>	
Community Celebration Day			
Community Tours and Celebration			
<b>Jul 01</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Barrow</b>	
Location: Hopson Middle School			
+ SB3001	APPROVING AGIA LICENSE		
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --			
Public Testimony: Time TBA			
Joint w/(H) Rules			
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<b>Jul 08</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Ketchikan</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>
-- Time Change --			
Location: Ted Ferry Civic Center			
+ SB3001	APPROVING AGIA LICENSE		
1pm - 4pm - Testimony <Invitation Only>			
5pm - 7pm - Public Testimony			
Joint w/(H) Rules			
Review of AGIA Findings & Determination;			
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**JOINT COMMITTEES**

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT**

<b>Jun 17</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Anch Lio Conf Rm</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
Longevity Policy Change			
Other Committee Business			

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**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

<b>Jun 17</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Anch Lio Conf Rm</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
+	Capitol Annex Carpet Approval		
Longevity Policy Change			
Fire Alarm & Sprinkler System ITB			
Chamber Lighting Architectural Approval			