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Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 11:01 a.m.

The roll showed fourteen members present. Senators Bunde, McGuire, Stedman, Therriault, Wielechowski were absent. The seat from District B was vacant.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Senator Wagoner. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

God of power and might, wisdom and justice.

Through you authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and judgment is decreed.

Assist us today with your spirit of counsel and fortitude.

May we always seek the ways of righteousness, justice and mercy.

Lord, grant that we may be enabled by your powerful protection. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Senator Meyer led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the eighty-seventh legislative day and Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 6 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The presence of Senator McGuire was noted.

Messages from the Governor

The following letter dated April 15 was received in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate on April 17:

Dear Senator Stevens:

This letter is to eliminate confusion expressed by some in the Senate and confirm the intent of my April 14, 2009 letter of appointment. I listed three candidates assuming you would take their names in order.

In accordance with Alaska Statute 15.40.350, I appoint Mr. Tim Grussendorf to the vacant seat for Senate District B.

As explained in yesterday's letter, due to the importance of filling this seat without additional delay, I am taking a further step to expedite this process in the event the Senate Democrats fail to reach the required level of support for Mr. Grussendorf by providing a second and third nomination for consideration.

If Mr. Grussendorf is not confirmed, I appoint Mr. Joseph G. Nelson to the vacant seat for Senate District B.

If Mr. Nelson is not confirmed, I appoint Mr. Alan Wilson to the vacant seat for Senate District B.

Please act swiftly.

Sincerely,

/s/

Sarah Palin

Governor

Messages from the House**HJR 9**

Message dated April 16 was read stating the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9, thus adopting:

SENATE CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9(TRA) Designating the Alaska Aviation Heritage Museum located at 4721 Aircraft Drive in Anchorage as the official headquarters for the State of Alaska's Centennial of Flight Celebration.

The presence of Senator Wielechowski was noted.

SJR 10

Message dated April 16 was read stating the House passed and returned:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 10 Urging the United States Congress to adopt S. 371, the Respecting States Rights and Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2009.

The resolution was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

Message dated April 16 was read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

**First Reading and Reference of
House Resolutions****HCR 1**

CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1(L&C) BY THE HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE,

Encouraging the voluntary installation of fire sprinkler systems in residences.

was read the first time and held on the Secretary's desk.

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 24

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 24(MLV) BY THE HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS, entitled:

"An Act relating to a public procurement preference for Alaska veterans."

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

HB 186

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 186(FIN) am BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act declaring that certain firearms and accessories are exempt from federal regulation."

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

The presence of Senator Stedman was noted.

Standing Committee Reports

SB 60

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 60 "An Act relating to the Uniform Probate Code, including wills, trusts, nonprobate transfers, augmented estates, personal representatives, and trustees; and amending Rules 3 and 8, Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 1, Alaska Rules of Probate Procedure, and Rule 37.5, Alaska Rules of Administration" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 60(L&C)

Signing amend: Senator Paskvan, Chair; Senator Bunde. Signing do pass: Senator Thomas. Signing no recommendation: Senators Meyer, Davis.

The following fiscal information was published today:
Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Law

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

HB 63

The Finance Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 63(FIN) "An Act relating to the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault" and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO.
63(FIN) "An Act relating to the Council on Domestic
Violence and Sexual Assault; and providing for an
effective date."
(technical title change)

Signing do pass: Senators Hoffman, Stedman, Cochairs; Senators Thomas, Ellis. Signing no recommendation: Senator Olson.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:
Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Corrections
Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Public Safety
Fiscal Note No. 3, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 78

The Finance Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 78 "An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Public Accountancy; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senators Hoffman, Stedman, Cochairs; Senators Thomas, Ellis. Signing no recommendation: Senator Olson.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:
Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Commerce, Community and
Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

The presence of Senator Bunde was noted.

HB 98

The Community and Regional Affairs Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 98(FIN) am "An Act relating to minor consuming and repeat minor consuming; relating to penalties for violations of limitations on possessing, sending, shipping, transporting, or bringing alcoholic beverages to, soliciting or receiving orders for delivery of alcoholic beverages to, and the manufacture, sale, offer for sale, barter, traffic, or possession of alcoholic beverages in, a local option area; and providing for an effective date." Signing no recommendation: Senator Olson, Chair; Senator French. Signing do pass: Senator Menard.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 4, indeterminate, Department of Corrections

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Alaska Court System

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Law

Fiscal Note No. 3, zero, Department of Public Safety

President Stevens added a Finance Committee referral to the bill.

The bill was referred to the Judiciary, then Finance Committees.

HB 108

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 108(JUD) am "An Act relating to real property foreclosures, to the sale of property on execution, and to deeds of trust" and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO.
108(L&C)

Signing amend: Senator Paskvan, Chair; Senators Meyer, Thomas, Bunde. Signing no recommendation: Senator Davis.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Revenue

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

HB 123

The Finance Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 123(FIN) am "An Act relating to the membership and voting privileges of members of the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council; extending the termination date of the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senators Hoffman, Stedman, Cochairs; Senators Huggins, Thomas, Ellis. Signing no recommendation: Senator Olson.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Health and Social Services

Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Health and Social Services

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 175

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 175(L&C) "An Act relating to insurance, including treating as confidential certain information submitted to the director of insurance by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; clarifying conditions for the release of insurer deposits; defining travel insurance that may be sold under a travel insurance limited producer license; establishing criteria for licensing of nonresident independent adjusters as resident adjusters; exempting rewards under a wellness program from treatment as insurance discrimination or rebating; making certain insurance required of the Comprehensive Health Insurance Association permissive rather than mandatory; making certain provisions relating to statements on applications and guaranteed renewability for individual health insurance applicable to hospital and medical service corporations; making public certain forms and related documents filed for approval by a hospital or medical service corporation after the filing becomes effective; relating to deposits of self-funded multiple employer welfare arrangements; repealing reasons that the director of insurance may use to deny or revoke a license; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Paskvan, Chair; Senators Meyer, Thomas, Davis.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 177

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 177(L&C) "An Act relating to marine products and motorized recreational products; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO.
177(L&C) "An Act relating to marine products and
motorized recreational products; amending Rule 3,
Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure; and providing for
an effective date."
(technical title change)

Signing do pass: Senator Paskvan, Chair; Senators Meyer, Thomas, Bunde. Signing no recommendation: Senator Davis.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Law

The bill is on today's calendar.

HB 221

The Finance Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 221(L&C) "An Act relating to the state's participation in the federal Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry, and to mortgage lending regulation and licensing; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senators Hoffman, Stedman, Cochairs; Senators Thomas, Ellis. Signing no recommendation: Senator Olson.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Commerce, Community and
Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 222

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 222(title am) "An Act prohibiting discrimination by health care insurers based on genetic information; providing special enrollment requirements related to Medicaid and state child health plan coverage; requiring a health care insurer to offer coverage for the treatment of alcoholism or drug abuse; providing continuity of coverage for college students during medically necessary leaves of absence from college; requiring health care insurers in the group market to provide parity in the application of mental health and substance abuse benefits that comply with federal requirements; amending the definition of 'dentist' to include out-of-state dentists for purposes of certain dental insurance requirements; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Paskvan, Chair; Senators Meyer, Thomas, Davis.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 4, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

Fiscal Note No. 5, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

**Introduction and Reference of
Senate Resolutions****SCR 8**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8 BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE,

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No. 172, relating to an investment in the education loan fund; relating to authority for the commissioner of revenue to enter into a bond purchase agreement and letter of credit with the Alaska Student Loan Corporation.

was read the first time and held on the Secretary's desk.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills

SB 193

SENATE BILL NO. 193 BY THE SENATE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to licensure as an optometrist; establishing a retired status optometrist license; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health and Social Services and Labor and Commerce Committees.

SB 194

SENATE BILL NO. 194 BY SENATOR MEYER, entitled:

"An Act relating to civil damages for certain alcohol violations."

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

Consideration of the Calendar

Second Reading of House Bills

HB 49

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 49(JUD) am "An Act relating to the prohibition of the exercise of the power of eminent domain against a recreational structure for the purposes of developing a recreational facility or project" 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.

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 49(JUD) am was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 49(JUD) am "An Act relating to the prohibition of the exercise of the power of eminent domain against a recreational structure for the purposes of developing a recreational facility or project" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 49(JUD) am
Third Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 18 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 VACANT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Stevens, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Absent: Therriault

and so, CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 49(JUD) am passed the Senate, was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

HB 109

HOUSE BILL NO. 109 "An Act relating to eligibility for the Alaska supplemental education loan program and to the interest rate for a loan made under the Alaska family education loan program; 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. 109 was read the third time.

The presence of Senator Therriault was noted.

HB 109

The question being: "Shall HOUSE BILL NO. 109 "An Act relating to eligibility for the Alaska supplemental education loan program and to the interest rate for a loan made under the Alaska family education loan program; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 109

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 VACANT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

and so, HOUSE BILL NO. 109 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.

HB 170

HOUSE BILL NO. 170 "An Act repealing the authority for day fines" 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. 170 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall HOUSE BILL NO. 170 "An Act repealing the authority for day fines" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 170

Third Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 VACANT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

and so, HOUSE BILL NO. 170 passed the Senate, was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

HB 172

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 172(FIN) "An Act relating to an investment in the education loan fund; relating to authority for the commissioner of revenue to enter into a bond purchase agreement and letter of credit with the Alaska Student Loan Corporation; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Stedman, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Finance Senate Committee Substitute offered on page 996. Without objection, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 172(FIN) "An Act relating to an investment in the education loan fund; relating to authority for the commissioner of revenue to enter into a bond purchase agreement and letter of credit with the Alaska Student Loan Corporation; relating to a proposal for a program under which the state repays loans to students for costs of postsecondary education; and providing for an effective date" (Title Change SCR 8) was adopted.

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

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 172(FIN) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 172(FIN) "An Act relating to an investment in the education loan fund; relating to authority for the commissioner of revenue to enter into a bond purchase agreement and letter of credit with the Alaska Student Loan Corporation; relating to a proposal for a program under which the state repays loans to students for costs of postsecondary education; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 172(FIN)

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 VACANT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 172(FIN) 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 referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

SCR 8

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8 be taken up. Without objection, the resolution was read the second time and was before the Senate on final passage.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8 Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No. 172, relating to an investment in the education loan fund; relating to authority for the commissioner of revenue to enter into a bond purchase agreement and letter of credit with the Alaska Student Loan Corporation, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCR 8

Second Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 VACANT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

and so, SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8 passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

HB 177

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 177(L&C) "An Act relating to marine products and motorized recreational products; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Paskvan, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Labor and Commerce Senate Committee Substitute offered on page 1018. Without objection, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 177(L&C) "An Act relating to marine products and motorized recreational products; amending Rule 3, Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure; and providing for an effective date" (technical title change) was adopted.

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

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 177(L&C) was read the third time.

Senators McGuire, Meyer, Paskvan, Wielechowski, Menard, Bunde, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Dyson, French, Stevens, Stedman, Huggins moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on the bill. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 177(L&C) "An Act relating to marine products and motorized recreational products; amending Rule 3, Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 177(L&C)

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date Court Rule Change

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 VACANT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 177(L&C) 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.

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the vote on the passage of the bill be considered the vote on the Court Rule change. Without objection, it was so ordered and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

Second Reading of Senate Resolutions

SJR 22

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22 Opposing litigation that seeks to eliminate the Kenai, Kasilof, and Chitina sockeye salmon personal use dip net fisheries; and requesting the governor to re-examine the disproportional influence of the commercial fisheries industries on fisheries management in the state, was read the second time.

Senator McGuire, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Resources Committee Substitute offered on page 997. Without objection, CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22(RES) Opposing litigation that seeks to eliminate the Kenai, Kasilof, and Chitina sockeye salmon personal use dip net fisheries, was adopted.

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

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22(RES) was read the third time.

Senators Paskvan, McGuire, Meyer, Davis, Bunde moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on the resolution. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senators Menard, Dyson moved and asked unanimous consent to be withdrawn as cosponsors on the resolution. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22(RES) Opposing litigation that seeks to eliminate the Kenai, Kasilof, and Chitina sockeye salmon personal use dip net fisheries, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSJR 22(RES)

Third Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 17 NAYS: 2 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0 VACANT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Davis, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wielechowski

Nays: Dyson, Wagoner

and so, CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22(RES) passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

SR 8

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 8 Reaffirming support for the environmentally responsible development of the Kensington Gold Mine; and urging the governor to encourage and facilitate the prompt continuation or reinstatement, reactivation, and period extension of permits authorizing the construction and operation of the Kensington Gold Mine upon a decision by the United States Supreme Court in favor of the Kensington Gold Mine, was read the second time and was before the Senate on final passage.

Senators Wagoner, Therriault, Bunde, Dyson offered Amendment No. 1:

Page 3, line 28, following "manner":

Insert "; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate supports the immediate 14-mile extension of Glacier Highway to provide safe and reliable access to the Kensington Gold Mine for Kensington Gold Mine employees and others"

Senator Wagoner moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 1. Senator Ellis objected.

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

SR 8

Second Reading - Final Passage

Amendment No. 1

YEAS: 3 NAYS: 15 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 VACANT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Therriault, Wagoner

Nays: Davis, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Stevens, Thomas, Wielechowski

Absent: Dyson

and so, Amendment No. 1 failed.

The question being: "Shall SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 8 Reaffirming support for the environmentally responsible development of the Kensington Gold Mine; and urging the governor to encourage and facilitate the prompt continuation or reinstatement, reactivation, and period extension of permits authorizing the construction and operation of the Kensington Gold Mine upon a decision by the United States Supreme Court in favor of the Kensington Gold Mine, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SR 8

Second Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 18 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 1 VACANT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Davis, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Absent: Dyson

and so, SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 8 passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment and enrollment.

Second Reading of House Resolutions

HJR 25

CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 25(ENE) am Urging the United States Congress to classify hydroelectric power as a renewable and alternative energy source, was read the second time.

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

CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 25(ENE) am was read the third time.

Senators McGuire, Stedman, Meyer, Ellis, Paskvan, Wielechowski, Menard, Kookesh, French, Davis, Thomas, Therriault, Wagoner, Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on the resolution. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 25(ENE) am Urging the United States Congress to classify hydroelectric power as a renewable and alternative energy source, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHJR 25(ENE) am
Third Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 17 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 2 VACANT: 1

Yeas: Bunde, Davis, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Therriault, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Absent: Dyson, Paskvan

and so, CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 25(ENE) am passed the Senate.

Senator Therriault gave notice of reconsideration.

Citations

Honoring – Senator Gary Wilken
Senator(s) Therriault, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski
Representative(s) Kawasaki

Honoring – Carol Joyce
Representative(s) Chenault
Senator(s) Wagoner, Stevens, Bunde, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Hoffman,
Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan,
Stedman, Therriault, Thomas, Wielechowski

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

HB 199

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 199(FIN) "An Act making appropriations, including supplemental appropriations and capital appropriations; amending appropriations; and providing for an effective date" which had been engrossed and signed by the President and Secretary (page 983), was returned to the House for consideration.

Announcements

Rule 23(d) of the Alaska State Legislature Uniform Rules is currently in effect.

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Engrossment

HB 172

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 172(FIN) "An Act relating to an investment in the education loan fund; relating to authority for the commissioner of revenue to enter into a bond purchase agreement and letter of credit with the Alaska Student Loan Corporation; relating to a proposal for a program under which the state repays loans to students for costs of postsecondary education; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

HB 177

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 177(L&C) "An Act relating to marine products and motorized recreational products; amending Rule 3, Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

SJR 22

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Adjournment

Senator Ellis moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 1:00 p.m., April 18, 2009. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 12:31 p.m.

Kirsten Waid
Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

FINANCE**Apr 17 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**

+ = HB 113 SUPPLEMENTAL/CAPITAL/OTHER APPROPRIATIONS
 + = HB 121 MUNICIPAL AIR QUALITY PROPERTY TAX CREDIT
 + = HB 221 MORTGAGE LENDING REGULATION
 + HB 63 COUNCIL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: MEMBERS, STAFF
 + HB 123 SUICIDE PREVENTION COUNCIL
 + HB 78 EXTEND BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 18 Saturday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

+ = HB 113 SUPPLEMENTAL/CAPITAL/OTHER APPROPRIATIONS
 + HB 105 STEP PROGRAM
 + HB 141 COMPACT FOR JUVENILES; INTERSTATE COUNCIL
 + = HB 121 MUNICIPAL AIR QUALITY PROPERTY TAX CREDIT
 + HB 106 VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS
 + SB 108 STAMPEDE STATE RECREATION AREA
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES**Apr 17 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**

+ = HB 35 NOTICE & CONSENT FOR MINOR'S ABORTION
 + SB 172 ALASKA HEALTH CARE COMMISSION
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 18 Saturday Butrovich 205 10:00 AM

+ = HB 35 NOTICE & CONSENT FOR MINOR'S ABORTION
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Apr 17 **Friday** **Beltz 211** **1:30 PM**
+ HB 101 EXEMPTIONS: LIFE INSURANCE; ANNUITIES
+ HB 102 UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE
+ HB 129 POWER TO REVOKE REAL ESTATE LICENSES
+ HB 201 CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMITS
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

RESOURCES

Apr 17 **Friday** **Butrovich 205** **3:30 PM**
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

OTHER MEETINGS

JOINT LEGISLATIVE HEALTH CAUCUS

May 13 **Wednesday** **Anch Lio Conf Rm** **12:30 PM**
Week of the Uninsured