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January 23, 2012

Seventh Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 11:00 a.m.

The roll showed nineteen members present. Senator Kookesh was excused from a call of the Senate.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Bill Nelson of the United Pentecostal Church of Juneau. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

It is with the deepest respect for the religious beliefs of all Alaskans that I offer this prayer:

Dear Lord,

As the legislative sessions get under way in this new year, we ask you, Oh Lord, to take an active part in what goes on in this building this year.

I pray this prayer to invoke your powerful presence in this session here today, as an invitation to grant wisdom and understanding to the participants who have come together from such diverse places with such diverse goals. We would also ask that you would instill in us a spirit of cooperation and that your spirit of love and peace would abide here throughout these legislative sessions and throughout this entire building to the intent that this would be the most productive year in memorable history.

I ask your protection and providence for the families and homes of those who have left home and family to be here. Bless their sacrifice with an assurance that you are looking after them.

For all of this, I thank you Lord.

Amen.

Senator Dyson led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the fourth through sixth legislative days and House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 10 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Standing Committee Reports

SB 137

The Education Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 137 "An Act requiring suicide awareness and prevention training for certain school personnel." Signing do pass: Senators Meyer, Thomas, Cochair; Senators Stevens, Davis.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Education and Early Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills

SB 173

SENATE BILL NO. 173 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, entitled:

"An Act making corrective amendments to the Alaska Statutes as recommended by the revisor of statutes; and providing for an effective date."

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

Consideration of the Calendar

Citations

Honoring - Rabbit Creek Elementary School

Senator(s) Giessel, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski
Representative(s) Lynn

Honoring - Steven C. Borell

Senator(s) Giessel, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski
Representative(s) Hawker

Honoring - Marilyn Crockett

Senator(s) Giessel, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski
Representative(s) Hawker

Honoring - Marlys Tedin

Senator(s) Stedman, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski
Representative(s) Wilson, P

Honoring - Tina Kobayashi

Representative(s) Kerttula, Munoz

Senator(s) Egan, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, French, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring - Cara Heitz, 2012 Alaska Teacher of the Year

Representative(s) Thomas

Senator(s) Kookesh, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, French, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring - Jim Nygaard, 2012 Alaska Superintendent of the Year

Representative(s) Thomas

Senator(s) Kookesh, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, French, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring - City of Kake - 100 Year Anniversary, January 8, 2012

Representative(s) Thomas

Senator(s) Kookesh, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, French, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Honoring - City of Hydaburg - 100 Year Anniversary, November 26, 2012

Representative(s) Thomas

Senator(s) Kookesh, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Henry Clay Keene, Jr.

Senator(s) Stedman, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, French, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Ben Grussendorf

Senator(s) Stedman, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, French, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Carroll George Fader

Senator(s) Stedman, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Grant H. Forsythe

Senator(s) Giessel, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski
Representative(s) Lynn

In Memoriam - William C. "Bill" Noll

Representative(s) Johnson, Pruitt

Senator(s) McGuire, Davis, Stevens, Coghill, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, French, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Harold "HAP" Symmonds

Representative(s) Thomas

Senator(s) Kookesh, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Peter Kent Lapham

Representative(s) Thomas

Senator(s) Kookesh, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Lawrence James Albecker

Representative(s) Thomas

Senator(s) Kookesh, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Senator Meyer 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**Citations**

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent that the following citation be made a special order of business. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Special Order of Business

Honoring - Captain Rodini Igtanloc Roldan, Captain of the Matanuska Representative(s) Munoz

Senator(s) Egan, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent that the citation be adopted. Without objection, the citation was adopted and referred to the Secretary for transmittal.

SB 55

Senator Wielechowski moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cosponsor on SENATE BILL NO. 55 "An Act relating to mental health patient rights, notifications, and grievance procedures." Without objection, it was so ordered.

SB 39

Senator McGuire moved and asked unanimous consent that her name be withdrawn as a cosponsor on SENATE BILL NO. 39 "An Act ratifying an interstate compact to elect the President and Vice-President of the United States by national popular vote; and making related changes to statutes applicable to the selection by voters of electors for candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States and to the duties of those electors." Without objection, it was so ordered.

SB 144

Senator Davis moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cosponsor on SENATE BILL NO. 144 "An Act temporarily reinstating the child and adult immunization program in the Department of Health and Social Services; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

SB 107

Senator Davis moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cosponsor on SENATE BILL NO. 107 "An Act making special appropriations for new engineering buildings for the University of Alaska in Anchorage and Fairbanks." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from afternoon plane time, February 24 through evening plane time, February 26. Without objection, Senator Giessel was excused.

Senator Wagoner moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from morning plane time, January 26 through morning plane time, January 30. Without objection, Senator Wagoner was excused.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on January 30. Without objection, Senator Hoffman was excused.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., January 25, 2012. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:31 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

Jan 24 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
 + SB 154 NATURAL GAS CONVERSION PROGRAM/FUND
 + SB 122 REAL ESTATE TRANSFER FEES/TITLE PLANTS

Jan 26 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

EDUCATION

Jan 23 Monday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 8:00 AM
 + SB 137 SUICIDE AWARENESS & PREVENTION TRAINING

Jan 25 Wednesday Barnes 124 8:00 AM
 + Joint w/ House Education
 Alaska Early Childhood Coordinating Council
 Presentation

Jan 27 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 8:00 AM
 + SB 139 INCREASE BASE STUDENT ALLOCATION
 + SB 171 INCREASE BASE STUDENT ALLOCATION
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

FINANCE

Jan 23	Monday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	FY 13 Budget Overview and Fiscal Summary		
	Office of Management and Budget		
	Director Karen Rehfeld		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Jan 24	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	FY 13 Budget Overview and Fiscal Summary		
	Legislative Finance Division Director		
	David Teal		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Jan 25	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	SB 39	U.S. PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION COMPACT	
+	HB 121	LOAN FUNDS:CHARTERS/MARICULTURE/MICROLOAN	
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Jan 26	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Jan 27	Friday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	SB 167	SEPARATE OIL & GAS PROD. TAX/ DEDUCTIONS	
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Jan 23	Monday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Jan 25	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Jan 27	Friday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

JUDICIARY

Jan 24 +	Tuesday 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Crime Summit -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- Annie Pennucci, Senior Research Associate, Washington Institute for Public Policy Karen Loeffler, United States Attorney, District of Alaska Rick Svobodny, Acting Attorney General, Department of Law Adrienne Bachman, District Attorney, 3rd Judicial District Cynthia Franklin, Municipal Criminal Prosecutor, Municipality of Anchorage Commissioner Joe Masters, Department of Public Safety Colonel Keith Mallard, Director, Alaska State Troopers Chief Greg Browning, Alaska Association of Chiefs of Police Chief Mark Mew, Anchorage Police Department Sgt. Lance Ketterling, Palmer Police Department Dennis Johnson, Program Director, Alaska Pretrial Services	Butrovich 205	10:30 AM
Jan 25 +	Wednesday 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Crime Summit -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- Nancy Haag, Executive Director, Standing Together Against Rape (STAR) Nancy Meade, General Counsel, Alaska Court System Diane Schenker, Project Coordinator, Fairbanks Electronic Bail Conditions Project Helen Sharratt, Integrated Justice Coordinator Quinlan Steiner, Director, Public Defender Agency Richard Allen, Director, Office of Public Advocacy Walt Monegan, President/CEO, Alaska Native Justice Center Jake Metcalfe, Executive Director, Public Safety Employee Association (PSEA) Commissioner Joe Schmidt, Dept. of Corrections	Butrovich 205	8:30 AM

JUDICIARY (continued)

Deputy Commissioner Carmen Gutierrez, Dept. of
Corrections

Deputy Commissioner Sam Edwards, Dept. of
Corrections

Andre Rosay, Director, University of Alaska
Anchorage Justice Center

Jeff Jesse, CEO, Alaska Mental Health Trust
Authority

Janet McCabe, Chair, Partners for Progress

Barbara Henjum, Director, Division of Juvenile
Justice

Dean Williams, Superintendent, McLaughlin Youth
Center

Jan 27 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
+ SB 135 CONTINUANCES IN CRIMINAL TRIALS; VICTIMS
+ SB 140 CATHINONE BATH SALTS
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

Jan 23 Monday House Finance 519 4:00 PM
-- Please Note Time & Location Change --
+ Joint Meeting with House L&C
Update: Regulatory Commission of Alaska by
T.W. Patch, Chairman

Jan 24 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
+ Presentation: Jim Calvin, McDowell Group, Oil and
Gas Industry Employment on Alaska's North Slope
+ SB 156 ALASKA RAILROAD LAND LEASES
+ HB 146 LAND TRANSFER FROM STATE AND ALASKA RR
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Jan 26 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
+ SB 157 CANCEL INSUR. ON CERTAIN VACANT PROPERTY
+ SB 158 REAL ESTATE SALES LICENSEES
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

RESOURCES

Jan 23 Monday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 += SB 13 WAIVE PARK FEE FOR DISABLED VETERANS
 += SB 24 SPORT FISHING GUIDING SERVICES

Jan 25 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 += SB 13 WAIVE PARK FEE FOR DISABLED VETERANS
 += SB 24 SPORT FISHING GUIDING SERVICES
 Presentation by Commissioner Dan Sullivan,
 Department of Natural Resources

Jan 27 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

STATE AFFAIRS

Jan 24 Tuesday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
 + SJR 10 CONT. AM.: BUDGET RESERVE FUND
 + SB 130 ALASKA NATIVE LANGUAGE COUNCIL
 + SB 150 MILITARY TRAINING CREDIT
 + SB 136 INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR EMPLOYING A VETERAN
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Jan 26 Thursday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
 += SB 121 TEACHERS & PUB EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS
 += SB 136 INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR EMPLOYING A VETERAN
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Jan 24 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:00 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Jan 26 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:00 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

JOINT COMMITTEES**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT**

Jan 23	Monday	House Finance 519	8:00 AM
	Audit Requests Other Committee Business		
Feb 27	Monday	House Finance 519	8:00 AM
	Audits - Executive Session Other Committee Business		
Mar 28	Wednesday	House Finance 519	8:00 AM
	Audits - Executive Session Other Committee Business		

OTHER MEETINGS**JOINT SESSION**

Feb 23	Thursday	House Chamber	10:00 AM
	Annual Address by the Honorable Lisa Murkowski, U.S. Senator		
Feb 29	Wednesday	House Chamber	11:00 AM
	State of the Judiciary Address by Chief Justice Walter Carpeneti		
Mar 05	Monday	House Chamber	11:00 AM
	Annual Address by the Honorable Mark Begich, U.S. Senator		

MISCELLANEOUS MEETING

Jan 25	Wednesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	10:00 AM
	Alaska Land Mobile Radio Network 30 Minute Presentation on ALMR's Current Status Sponsored by the Dept. of Administration All Senators and staff are invited to attend.		

MISCELLANEOUS MEETING (continued)

Jan 30	Monday	Capitol 106	5:00 PM
	Continued Discussion of Taku River Fisheries - Continuation of Question and Answer Period with Dept. of Environmental Conservation & Dept. of Fish and Game Sponsored by the Juneau legislative delegation: Sen. Egan and Reps. Kerttula and Munoz		
Jan 31	Tuesday	Capitol 106	5:00 PM
	Continued Discussion of Taku River Fisheries - Discussion of Final Report Sponsored by the Juneau legislative delegation: Sen. Egan and Reps. Kerttula and Munoz		
Feb 13	Monday	Senate Finance 532	1:00 PM
	School District Legislative Fly-In Informal Q&A Session Regarding Alaska's Public School System		