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Seventieth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 11:03 a.m.

The roll showed eighteen members present. Senator French was excused from a call of the Senate. Senator McGuire was absent.

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent that Senator McGuire be excused from a call of the Senate today. Without objection, Senator McGuire was excused.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Lt. Kim K. Warriner of The Salvation Army. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Dear Heavenly Father, I make our earnest prayer that you will keep the United States in your holy protection that you will incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government and entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow citizens of the United States at large.

And finally that you will dispose us to do justice, to love mercy and to exercise humility as we make decisions that will affect our great State of Alaska.

Lead us and guide us in the direction you would have us go.

I ask these things in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Senator Meyer led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the sixty-seventh through sixty-ninth legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the Governor

HB 307

Message dated March 23 was read stating:

Dear President Stevens:

On this date, I have signed the following bill passed by the second session of the Twenty-Seventh Alaska State Legislature and am transmitting the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's Office for permanent filing:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 307(FIN) "An Act making supplemental appropriations, capital appropriations, and other appropriations; amending appropriations; repealing appropriations; making appropriations to capitalize funds; and providing for an effective date."

Chapter 5, SLA 2012
[Effective Date: See Chapter]

As passed, the supplemental appropriations for Fiscal Year 2012 total \$72,707,300, including \$57,948,300 in unrestricted general funds, to address unanticipated costs in the current year.

The legislation provides \$5 million for disaster relief and authorizes expenditures related to the 2011 West Coast Storm Disaster, the 2011 Kenai Peninsula Windstorm, and the 2012 Prince William Sound Storm. Also included is \$300,000 for the Alaska Department of Military and Veterans Affairs to counter the U.S. Department of Defense plans to reduce military spending through a Base Realignment and Closure Commission.

Thank you for early passage of this supplemental appropriation bill.

Sincerely,

/s/

Sean Parnell

Governor

SB 173

Message was read stating the Governor signed the following bill on March 23 and transmitted the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's Office for permanent filing:

SENATE BILL NO. 173 "An Act making corrective amendments to the Alaska Statutes as recommended by the revisor of statutes; and providing for an effective date."

Chapter 6, SLA 2012
Effective Date: 3/24/12

Messages from the House

Message dated March 23 was read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 252

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 252(FIN) BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act exempting certain small businesses from the corporate income tax; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce and Finance Committees.

HB 301

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 301(FIN) BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to enforcement of boating safety statutes; amending the termination date of certain statutes relating to the use, operation, and regulation of boats, a uniform state waterway marking system, and civil liability for boat owners; providing for an effective date by amending the effective date of secs. 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16, 18, 20, 23, 26, and 27, ch. 28, SLA 2000, as amended; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce and Finance Committees.

Standing Committee Reports**SB 200**

The Judiciary Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 200 "An Act establishing certain procedures related to the identification of suspects by eyewitnesses to criminal offenses" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 200(JUD) "An Act establishing certain requirements and procedures related to the identification of suspects by eyewitnesses to criminal offenses."

Signing do pass: Senator French, Chair; Senators Wielechowski, Paskvan. Signing no recommendation: Senator Coghill.

The following fiscal information was published today:

- Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Public Safety
- Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Corrections
- Fiscal Note No. 3, zero, Department of Administration
- Fiscal Note No. 4, zero, Department of Administration
- Fiscal Note No. 5, zero, Department of Law

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 210

The Judiciary Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 210 "An Act relating to crimes against children; establishing a new aggravating factor at sentencing in certain crimes against children; relating to criminal nonsupport; adding to the list of crimes against children that bar the Department of Public Safety from issuing to a person a license to drive a school bus; adding an exception to a provision that requires the Department of Health and Social Services to make timely, reasonable efforts to provide family support services to prevent out-of-home placement of a child; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 210(JUD) "An Act relating to crimes against children; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator French, Chair; Senators Wielechowski, Paskvan. Signing no recommendation: Senator Coghill.

The following fiscal information was published today:

- Fiscal Note No. 1, indeterminate, Department of Administration
- Fiscal Note No. 2, indeterminate, Department of Law
- Fiscal Note No. 3, zero, Department of Public Safety
- Fiscal Note No. 4, indeterminate, Department of Administration
- Fiscal Note No. 5, indeterminate, Alaska Court System
- Fiscal Note No. 6, zero, Department of Administration

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 212

The Judiciary Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 212 "An Act relating to crimes of human trafficking; establishing the Human Trafficking Task Force to evaluate services available to victims of human trafficking; and relating to the recommendations and report of the task force" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 212(JUD)

Signing do pass: Senator French, Chair; Senators Coghill, Wielechowski, Paskvan.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Law

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

Consideration of the Calendar**Second Reading of Senate Bills****SB 9**

SENATE BILL NO. 9 "An Act relating to compulsory school attendance; and relating to the crime of contributing to the delinquency of a minor" was read the second time.

President Stevens stated SENATE BILL NO. 9 will advance to third reading on the March 28 calendar.

Citations

Honoring - David Boxley, Tsimshian Artist, Eagle Clan
Senator(s) Kookesh, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, McGuire, Menard, Meyer, Olson, Paskvan, Stedman, Thomas, Wagoner, Wielechowski
Representative(s) Thomas

Honoring - Clem Tillion

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

Representative(s) Seaton

Commemorating - The 50th Anniversary of the Alaska Federation of Republican Women

Representative(s) Thompson

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

Honoring - Anchorage Christian School, 2012 Cheerleading State Champions

Representative(s) Pruitt

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

Honoring - 4th Airborne Combat Team 25th Infantry Division, Operation Iraqi Freedom, October 2006 - November 2007

Representative(s) Thomas

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

Honoring - Sitka High School, 2012 DDF State Champions

Representative(s) P Wilson

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

Honoring - Bethel Regional Middle School Warriors, 2012 Small School State Wrestling Champions

Representative(s) Herron

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

In Memoriam - Robert Hess

Senator(s) Ellis, McGuire, Stevens, Coghill, Davis, Dyson, Egan, French, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kookesh, 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.

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., March 28, 2012. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:18 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

Mar 27 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 29 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

EDUCATION

Mar 26 Monday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 8:00 AM
No Meeting Scheduled

Mar 28 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 8:00 AM
+ Presentation: School Finance Study Proposal
Center for Alaska Education Policy Research
(CAEPR), Institute of Social and Economic
Research, UAA

Mar 30 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 8:00 AM
No Meeting Scheduled

FINANCE

Mar 26 Monday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
+= SB 192 OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX RATES
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

FINANCE (continued)

Mar 26	Monday	Senate Finance 532	1:00 PM
+ SB 80	KNIK ARM BRIDGE AND TOLL AUTHORITY		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Mar 27	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+ HB 284	APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS		
+	- Subcommittee Reports		
+ HB 285	APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET		
+	- Subcommittee Reports		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
+= SB 192	OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX RATES		
Mar 27	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	1:00 PM
+= SB 192	OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX RATES		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Mar 28	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	8:30 AM
+= HB 284	APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS		
+= HB 285	APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET		
	8:45 - 9:45 a.m. Juneau		
	10:00 - 10:45 a.m. Kenai, Valdez, Kodiak, Seward,		
	Matsu, Glennallen, Tok		
	1:00 - 2:15 p.m. Anchorage		
	2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Fairbanks		
	3:30 - 4:15 p.m. Ketchikan, Sitka, Wrangell,		
	Petersburg, Homer, Dillingham, Cordova		
	4:30 - 5:15 p.m. Bethel, Kotzebue, Barrow, Nome,		
	Delta Junction, Unalaska, Offnets		
	--Public Testimony will be Limited to 2 Minutes--		
	Testimony will be closed 15 minutes early if		
	there are no further testifiers.		
Mar 29	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+= HB 284	APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS		
+	- Public Testimony Overflow		
+= HB 285	APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET		
+	- Public Testimony Overflow		
+= SB 192	OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX RATES		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

FINANCE (continued)

Mar 29 Thursday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM

- + SB 25 AIDEA SUSTAINABLE ENERGY PROGRAM
- + HB 250 EXTEND RENEWABLE ENERGY GRANT FUND
- + SB 182 PUPIL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 30 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- += HB 284 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
- += HB 285 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET
- += SB 192 OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX RATES
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 30 Friday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM

- + SB 121 TEACHERS & PUB EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLANS
- + SB 100 PERS TERMINATION COSTS
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Mar 26 Monday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

No Meeting Scheduled

Mar 28 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

- SCR 23 CONGENITAL CYTOMEGALOVIRUS MONTH
- HB 224 SALES OF NICOTINE PRODUCTS TO MINOR
- Presentation: NeighborWorks Anchorage - Debe Mahoney, Executive Director, NeighborWorks Anchorage
- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 30 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

No Meeting Scheduled

JUDICIARY

Mar 26 Monday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 2:00 PM

- += SB 168 GEOGRAPHIC COLA FOR JUDGES
- += SB 138 THIRD-PARTY CHARGES ON TELEPHONE BILLS
- += SB 198 POLICE OFFICER PROTECTIONS/CERTIFICATION
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY (continued)

Mar 28 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM

- + Board Confirmations:
- Police Standards Council:
- Brad Reich - Kiana, Jamie Sunderland - Unalaska
- Judicial Council: Kenneth Kreitzer - Juneau
- + HB 215 PIPELINE PROJECT: JUDICIAL REVIEW/ROW
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 30 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM

- + SB 224 EVIDENCE RULES: UNION/EMPLOYEE PRIVILEGE
- <Pending Referral>
- + HB 56 INCLUDE ARSON IN CRIMES OF CONSPIRACY
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

Mar 27 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM

- Governor's Appointments
- + SB 211 PERS CREDIT FOR MILITARY SERVICE
- + SB 143 BD OF ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, SURVEYORS
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 29 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM

- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- + SB 211 PERS CREDIT FOR MILITARY SERVICE
- + SB 143 BD OF ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, SURVEYORS
- + SB 128 BREWERY LICENSES/PERMITS

RESOURCES

Mar 26 Monday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

- + Presentation by Chrystia Chudczak, Asst.
- Commissioner, Canada's Federal Northern Pipeline
- Agency
- + SB 215 GASLINE DEV. CORP: IN-STATE GAS PIPELINE
- + SB 209 DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR OIL & GAS LEASES
- <Public Testimony>
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

RESOURCES (continued)

Mar 28 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

+ SB 145 OIL/GAS PRODUCTION TAX CREDITS: NENANA
 += SB 215 GASLINE DEV. CORP: IN-STATE GAS PIPELINE
 + SB 219 DISPOSALS OF STATE RESOURCES
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 30 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

+= SB 145 OIL/GAS PRODUCTION TAX CREDITS: NENANA
 += SB 215 GASLINE DEV. CORP: IN-STATE GAS PIPELINE
 <Public Testimony>
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

STATE AFFAIRS

Mar 27 Tuesday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM

+= SB 132 PROVISIONAL DRIVER'S LICENSE STICKER
 += HB 129 DECEASED VETERAN DEATH CERTIFICATE
 + HB 204 STATE PROCUREMENT CODE
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 29 Thursday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM

+ SB 206 INTERSTATE MINING COMPACT & COMMISSION
 + HB 316 MILITARY FACILITY ZONES
 + HB 271 COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Mar 27 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:00 PM

+= SB 41 SUSPENDING MOTOR FUEL TAX

Mar 29 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:00 PM

+ Overview of Parks Highway - Wasilla Bypass

JOINT COMMITTEES**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT**

Mar 28	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	8:00 AM
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Audit Request
Audits - Executive Session
Audits - Follow Up Findings & Recommendations
Other Committee Business

OTHER MEETINGS**MISCELLANEOUS MEETING**

Mar 26	Monday	Butrovich 205	12:00 PM
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Lunch and Learn
"Ready, Engaged, and Leading - Canada and the
Alaska Highway Gas Pipeline Project"
Presentation by Chrystia Chudczak, Assistant
Commissioner at Canada's Federal Northern
Pipeline Agency
Light Lunch Will be Served
Sponsored by House & Senate Resources Committees