

# HOUSE JOURNAL

## ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

### TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

Juneau, Alaska

Wednesday

January 16, 2013

#### Second Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Chenault at 10:31 a.m.

Roll call showed 37 members present. Representative-elect Guttenberg had been excused from a call of the House today. Representatives Gara and Tarr were absent and their presence was noted later.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, The Most Reverend Edward J. Burns, Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Juneau. Representative P. Wilson moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Good and gracious God, in the beginning you created the heavens and the earth; you are the Alpha and the Omega; all that we have comes from your almighty hand. We thank you and we praise you for the blessings you have bestowed upon us. As the members of the House of Representatives of the State of Alaska embark on this legislative session, we ask that you bless them with your gifts of wisdom, strength, courage, and grace. May they seek to do your will in serving the common good of your people.

Bless them for the service they offer to the great state of Alaska. We are grateful for the sacrifice they make by serving in public office. Bless too their loved ones and all who are dear to them.

May these legislators know your presence in their lives. Give them a sense of peace and fulfillment in serving others. And may this legislative session be fruitful and advance all the needs of this state that are right and just.

We ask all this in your holy name. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative T. Wilson.

### **CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL**

Representative Pruitt moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the first legislative day be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

### **MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE**

A message dated January 15, 2013, was read stating the Senate accepted the invitation to meet in joint session in the House Chamber at 7:00 p.m., January 16, 2013, to hear the Governor's State of the State and State of the Budget Address.

A message dated January 15, 2013, was read stating the Senate confirmed the following members to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics pursuant to AS 24.60.130:

Senator Giessel  
Senator Gardner  
Senator Fairclough (Alternate for Senator Giessel)  
Senator French (Alternate for Senator Gardner)

The House members of the committee are Representatives Millett and Tuck and Representatives Johnson and Josephson (Alternates) (page 13).

\*\*The presence of Representative Tarr was noted.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

The following were received:

Dept. of Administration  
Office of the Commissioner  
Monetary Terms of Agreement between the State and the Alaska  
Correctional Officers Association  
December 19, 2012  
(as required by AS 23.40.215)

The Speaker referred the monetary terms to the Finance Committee.

Alaska Commission on Judicial Conduct  
2011 Annual Report

Alaska Industrial Development & Export Authority  
2012 Annual Report  
(as required by AS 44.88.210)

Alaska Industrial Development & Export Authority  
Annual Review of Assets  
January 10, 2013  
(as required by AS 44.88.205)

Dept. of Environmental Conservation  
Preliminary Report on Cruise Ship Wastewater  
January 1, 2013  
(as required by AS 46.03.464)

Dept. of Health & Social Services  
Status Report on Health Information Exchange in Alaska  
December 2012  
(as required by AS 18.23.315)

Dept. of Law  
Office of the Attorney General  
Activities of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform  
State Laws  
Annual Report  
September 26, 2012

Dept. of Natural Resources  
Incompatible Use in a Park, Area, or Preserve  
2012 Annual Report

Status of Land in the Land Disposal Bank  
January 15, 2013  
(as required by AS 41.21.020 and 38.04.020)

Dept. of Revenue  
Alaska Marine Highway System Fund  
Alaska Marine Highway System Vessel Replacement Fund  
Investment Earnings Reports  
January 15, 2013  
(as required by AS 19.65.070 and 37.05.550)

Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities  
Alaska International Airports System  
Construction Fund Annual Report and Spending Plan  
Fiscal Year 2013  
(as required by AS 37.15.420)

Dept. of Transportation & Public Facilities  
Dept. of Administration  
Alaska Sustainable Energy Act  
2012 Progress Report  
(as required by AS 44.42.067)

Legislative Affairs Agency  
Division of Legal and Research Services  
Report Listing Alaska Statutes with Delayed Repeals or Delayed  
Amendments and Examining Court Decisions and Opinions of the  
Attorney General Construing Alaska Statutes  
January 2013  
(as required by AS 24.20.065)

Office of the Governor  
Office of Management & Budget  
Lease Purchase Agreements Report  
Fiscal Year 2012  
(as required by AS 37.07.040)

The following audit reports were received from the Division of  
Legislative Audit, Legislative Budget & Audit Committee, as required  
by AS 24.20.311:

2012 Annual Report, Unabridged  
2012 Annual Report, Condensed

Alaska Court System  
Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar Association  
Sunset Review  
July 11, 2012

Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development  
Board of Public Accountancy  
Sunset Review  
June 1, 2012

Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development  
State Medical Board  
Sunset Review  
September 18, 2012

Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development  
Dept. of Revenue  
Alaska Film Production Tax Incentive Program  
Select Performance Issues  
August 8, 2012

Dept. of Education & Early Development  
Dept. of Health & Social Services  
Special Education Service Agency  
Sunset Review  
June 22, 2012

#### **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS**

(Note: Capitalized names on prefiled bills and resolutions indicate joint prime sponsorship.)

#### **HJR 1**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1 by Representative KELLER:

Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to state aid for education.

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

**HJR 2**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2 by Representatives HAWKER and Millett:

Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska creating and relating to the gas revenue endowment fund, relating to deposits to the fund, limiting appropriations from the fund based on an averaged percentage of the fund market value, relating to deposits to the permanent fund, and relating to deposits to the budget reserve fund.

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

**HJR 3**

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3 by Representatives MILLETT, Tuck, and Keller:

Urging the President of the United States to seek and the United States Congress to approve adequate funding for land conveyance activities for the State of Alaska, Alaska Native corporations, and Alaska Natives under the Alaska Statehood Act, the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, the Native Allotment Act of 1906, the Alaska Native Veterans Allotment Act of 1998, and the Alaska Land Transfer Acceleration Act.

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

\*\*The presence of Representative Gara was noted.

**INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE  
OF HOUSE BILLS****HB 1**

(Profile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1 by Representatives LYNN, HAWKER, CHENAULT, JOHNSON, Olson, and Millett, entitled:

"An Act relating to issuance of drivers' licenses."

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

**HB 2**

(Profile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 2 by Representative LYNN, entitled:

"An Act requiring that all information in a declaration of candidacy, letter of intent, or nominating petition for a candidate for elective state executive and state and national legislative office is open to public inspection."

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

**HB 3**

(Profile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 3 by Representatives LYNN, KELLER, and Millett, entitled:

"An Act relating to voter identification at the polls; and relating to the counting of absentee and questioned ballots."

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

**HB 4**

(Profile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 4 by Representatives HAWKER, CHENAULT, Millett, Johnson, Neuman, and Hughes, entitled:

"An Act relating to the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation; making the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation, a subsidiary of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, an independent public corporation of the state; establishing and relating to the in-state natural gas pipeline fund; making certain information provided to or by the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation exempt from inspection as a public record; relating to the Joint In-State Gasline Development Team; relating to the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation; relating to judicial review of a right-of-way lease or an action or decision related to the development or construction of an oil or gas pipeline on state land; relating to the lease of a right-of-way for a gas pipeline transportation corridor, including a corridor for a natural gas pipeline that is a contract carrier; relating to the cost of natural resources, permits, and leases provided to the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation; relating to procurement by the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation; relating to the review by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska of natural gas transportation contracts; relating to the regulation by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska of an in-state natural gas pipeline project developed by the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation; relating to the regulation by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska of an in-state natural gas pipeline that provides transportation by contract carriage; relating to the Alaska Natural Gas Development Authority; relating to the procurement of certain services by the Alaska Natural Gas Development Authority; exempting property of a project developed by the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation from property taxes before the commencement of commercial operations; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 5**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 5 by Representative THOMPSON, entitled:

"An Act relating to the Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors and to the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development."



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

**HB 6**

(Profile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 6 by Representatives OLSON and P. Wilson, entitled:

"An Act establishing procedures and guidelines for auditing pharmacy records; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 7**

(Profile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 7 by Representative OLSON, entitled:

"An Act relating to the practice of naturopathy; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 8**

(Profile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 8 by Representatives T. WILSON and NEUMAN, entitled:

"An Act relating to the powers of the Department of Natural Resources."

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

**HB 9**

(Profile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 9 by Representative GRUENBERG, entitled:

"An Act relating to secured transactions under the Uniform Commercial Code and to the regulation of funds transfers,

including remittance transfers, under the Uniform Commercial Code and federal law; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 10**

(Profile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 10 by Representative GRUENBERG, entitled:

"An Act authorizing state agencies to pay private legal fees and costs incurred by persons exonerated of alleged violations of the Alaska Executive Branch Ethics Act; allowing certain public officers and former public officers to accept state payments to offset private legal fees and costs related to defending against complaints under the Alaska Executive Branch Ethics Act; and creating certain exceptions to limitations under the Alaska Executive Branch Ethics Act on the use of state resources to provide or pay for transportation of spouses and children of the governor and the lieutenant governor."

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

**HB 11**

(Profile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 11 by Representative GRUENBERG, entitled:

"An Act relating to election pamphlets; relating to information that must be provided for a bill under consideration by the legislature that authorizes the issuance of state general obligation bonds, to information that must be provided before the issuance of state general obligation bonds is submitted to the voters for ratification, and to the publication of a report relating to state bonded debt; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 12**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 12 by Representatives GRUENBERG and Gara, entitled:

"An Act making an absentee ballot application valid through the two general elections following its submission; providing that a voter's absentee ballot application is valid through the two general elections following an election at which the voter casts an absentee ballot; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 13**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 13 by Representative GRUENBERG, entitled:

"An Act establishing a top two nonpartisan blanket primary election system for elective state executive and state and national legislative offices; changing appointment procedures relating to precinct watchers and members of precinct election boards, election district absentee and questioned ballot counting boards, and the Alaska Public Offices Commission; requiring certain written notices to appear in election pamphlets and polling places; relating to declarations of candidacy and letters of intent; and amending the definition of 'political party.'"

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

**HB 14**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 14 by Representative GRUENBERG, entitled:

"An Act authorizing and relating to certain causes of action for relief for direct or indirect injuries sustained as a result of antitrust violations; repealing the provision limiting to the attorney general the recovery of monetary relief for injury directly or indirectly sustained as a result of an antitrust violation; and relating to

remedies, penalties, judgments, aggregate damages, and commencement of actions for antitrust violations."

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

**HB 15**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 15 by Representatives KELLER, ISAACSON, Pruitt, and Gruenberg, entitled:

"An Act relating to commercial motor vehicle requirements."

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

**HB 16**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 16 by Representative KELLER, entitled:

"An Act relating to citizenship requirements and an alcohol impairment and drug testing program for applicants for and recipients of specified cash assistance."

was read the first time and referred to the Health & Social Services and Judiciary Committees.

**HB 17**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 17 by Representatives GARA, DRUMMOND, GUTTENBERG, HOLMES, KAWASAKI, KERTTULA, TUCK, TARR, JOSEPHSON, KREISS-TOMKINS, and Gruenberg, entitled:

"An Act providing for a reduction of the principal of postsecondary education loans for residents."

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

**HB 18**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 18 by Representatives STOLTZE, HUGHES, KELLER, Tuck, and Thompson, entitled:

"An Act providing priority to personal use fisheries when fishing restrictions are implemented to achieve a management goal."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Fisheries and the Resources Committee.

**HB 19**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 19 by Representatives STOLTZE, KELLER, and Neuman, entitled:

"An Act relating to permanent motor vehicle registration; relating to the registration fee for noncommercial trailers and to the motor vehicle tax for trailers; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 20**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 20 by Representatives LYNN and Olson, entitled:

"An Act requiring that poll watchers and members of the state ballot counting review board be registered to vote in the state."

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

**HB 21**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 21 by Representatives P. WILSON, T. WILSON, and KREISS-TOMKINS, entitled:

"An Act relating to the length of a school week; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 22**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 22 by Representatives OLSON, Hawker, Kerttula, P. Wilson, and Thompson, entitled:

"An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Marine Pilots; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 23**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 23 by Representatives NEUMAN, HUGHES, and Keller, entitled:

"An Act relating to bonds of the Knik Arm Bridge and Toll Authority; relating to reserve funds of the authority; relating to taxes and assessments on a person that is a party to an agreement with the authority; and establishing the Knik Arm Crossing fund."

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

**HB 24**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 24 by Representatives NEUMAN, ISAACSON, LYNN, FEIGE, Chenault, Hawker, and Keller, entitled:

"An Act relating to self-defense in any place where a person has a right to be."

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

**HB 25**

This prefiled bill was not introduced.

**HB 26**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 26 by Representatives HAWKER and THOMPSON, entitled:

"An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Public Accountancy; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 27**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 27 by Representatives FEIGE, COSTELLO, and GATTIS, entitled:

"An Act relating to student counts, unreserved school operating fund balances, restrictions on school district money, and estimates for public school funding; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 28**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 28 by Representatives FEIGE and Isaacson, entitled:

"An Act exempting solicitations or voluntary agreements to provide ambulance, emergency, or fire department services from regulation as insurance."

was read the first time and referred to the Community & Regional Affairs Committee.

**HB 29**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 29 by Representative MILLETT, entitled:

"An Act requiring a party seeking a restraining order, preliminary injunction, or order vacating or staying the operation of a permit affecting an industrial operation to give security in an amount the court considers proper and requiring a court that determines the proper amount of the security to consider including an amount for the payment of wages and benefits for employees and payments to contractors and subcontractors that may be lost if the industrial operation is wrongfully enjoined."

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

**HB 30**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 30 by Representatives CHENAULT, OLSON, FEIGE, LYNN, THOMPSON, MILLETT, T. WILSON, PRUITT, KELLER, STOLTZE, JOHNSON, HAWKER, EDGMON, SEATON, NAGEAK, HERRON, LEDOUX, MUNOZ, AUSTERMAN, COSTELLO, P. WILSON, SADDLER, REINBOLD, GATTIS, HUGHES, FOSTER, and ISAACSON, entitled:

"An Act relating to performance reviews, audits, and termination of executive and legislative branch agencies, the University of Alaska, and the Alaska Court System; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 31**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 31 by Representatives KELLER and Thompson, entitled:

"An Act requiring school districts to develop and require completion of a history of American constitutionalism curriculum segment; and providing for an effective date."

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



**HB 32**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 32 by Representatives COSTELLO, HUGHES, Hawker, P. Wilson, and Keller, entitled:

"An Act providing for the issuance of one business license for multiple lines of business; and providing for reissuance of a business license to correct a mistake on the license."

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

**HB 33**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 33 by Representatives NEUMAN and Chenault, entitled:

"An Act adding definitions of 'gravity knife' and 'switchblade' to the criminal law; and relating to reserving the authority to regulate knives to the state with limited exceptions for municipalities to regulate knives."

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

**HB 34**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 34 by Representative T. WILSON, entitled:

"An Act making state compliance with a federal law, regulation, or presidential executive order contingent on receipt of certain information from the federal government."

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

**HB 35**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 35 by Representatives T. WILSON, THOMPSON, HIGGINS, ISAACSON, and KREISS-TOMKINS, entitled:

"An Act creating a low-interest loan program for homeowners who improve or replace their home heating systems; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Energy and the Finance Committee.

**HB 36**

(Profile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 36 by Representative T. WILSON, entitled:

"An Act exempting certain federal agencies or military services firing or using munitions on active ranges from prior authorization requirements of the Department of Environmental Conservation."

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

**HB 37**

(Profile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 37 by Representatives KERTTULA and Tarr, entitled:

"An Act relating to the approval and administration by the Department of Administration of child care services primarily for the benefit of state officers and employees; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 38**

(Profile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 38 by Representative KAWASAKI, entitled:

"An Act relating to the sale of state royalty oil and gas; and relating to recommendations by the Alaska Royalty Oil and Gas Development Advisory Board."

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

**HB 39**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 39 by Representatives EDGMON, Herron, and Kreiss-Tomkins, entitled:

"An Act relating to the power cost equalization program."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Energy and the Finance Committee.

**HB 40**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 40 by Representative HUGHES, entitled:

"An Act establishing a municipal tax exemption for certain farm structures."

was read the first time and referred to the Community & Regional Affairs Committee.

**HB 41**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 41 by Representatives GATTIS and Millett, entitled:

"An Act relating to forward funding of education programs; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 42**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 42 by Representative T. WILSON, entitled:

"An Act allowing the issuance of a driver's license without a photograph on the grounds of religious objection."

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

**HB 43**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 43 by Representatives KAWASAKI, JOSEPHSON, and Tuck, entitled:

"An Act authorizing the establishment of institutes of medicine and law at the University of Alaska."

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

**HB 44**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 44 by Representatives HOLMES, MILLETT, JOSEPHSON, and P. Wilson, entitled:

"An Act relating to a registry for advance health care directives."

was read the first time and referred to the Health & Social Services and Judiciary Committees.

**HB 45**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 45 by Representatives COSTELLO, GATTIS, HUGHES, JOSEPHSON, Millett, Gara, Munoz, and Olson, entitled:

"An Act relating to harassment, intimidation, or bullying by students attending a public school in the state."

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

**HB 46**

(Prefile released January 7, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 46 by Representatives SADDLER, Feige, Thompson, and Lynn, entitled:

"An Act relating to regulations adopted by the Department of Administration waiving the commercial motor vehicle driving skills test for certain drivers with military commercial motor vehicle experience."

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

**HB 47**

(Profile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 47 by Representatives FEIGE, CHENAULT, Johnson, Keller, Hughes, Hawker, P. Wilson, Thompson, and Olson, entitled:

"An Act requiring a party seeking a restraining order, preliminary injunction, or order vacating or staying the operation of a permit affecting an industrial operation to give security in the amount the court considers proper for costs incurred and damages suffered if the industrial operation is wrongfully enjoined or restrained."

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

**HB 48**

(Profile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 48 by Representatives GARA, TARR, JOSEPHSON, TUCK, and Gruenberg, entitled:

"An Act bearing the short title of the 'New Business Development Act'; and reducing the corporate income tax by two-thirds in the three years immediately after the incorporation of a new corporation not owned by an existing corporation or a new corporation in a separate line of business owned by an existing corporation."

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

**HB 49**

(Profile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 49 by Representatives HERRON, Edgmon, Feige, and Tuck, entitled:

"An Act establishing the Alaska Chinook salmon research and restoration endowment fund and relating to grants from the fund."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Fisheries and the Finance Committee.

**HB 50**

(Profile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 50 by Representatives GARA and COSTELLO, entitled:

"An Act authorizing the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to allow certain commercial uses in a multi-unit residential housing development owned or financed by the corporation and limiting the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board's issuance of certain licenses to premises in the residential housing development."

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

**HB 51**

(Profile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 51 by Representative SEATON, entitled:

"An Act relating to oil and gas; relating to the oil and gas corporate income tax; relating to the oil and gas production tax; relating to tax credits; allowing the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to issue bonds for an oil processing facility; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 52**

(Profile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 52 by Representatives FEIGE, Hughes, Herron, Thompson, and Lynn, entitled:

"An Act relating to allowable absences from the state for purposes of eligibility for permanent fund dividends; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 53**

(Profile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 53 by Representative KELLER, entitled:

"An Act establishing a consultation requirement with respect to the prescription of opiates under certain circumstances."

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

**HB 54**

(Profile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 54 by Representatives GARA, THOMPSON, Millett, and Tuck, entitled:

"An Act relating to the identification, location, and notification of specified family members of a child who is in state custody."

was read the first time and referred to the Health & Social Services and Judiciary Committees.

**HB 55**

(Profile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 55 by Representatives LYNN, LEDOUX, ISAACSON, and T. WILSON, entitled:

"An Act allowing school districts and private schools to adopt a policy authorizing one or more permanent employees to possess one or more firearms on school grounds under certain conditions."

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

**HB 56**

(Profile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 56 by Representatives HOLMES, T. WILSON, and Herron, entitled:

"An Act excluding motorcycles and motor-driven cycles from the passenger vehicle rental tax; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 57**

(Profile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 57 by Representatives HOLMES, OLSON, Hawker, and P. Wilson, entitled:

"An Act adopting the Alaska Entity Transactions Act; relating to changing the form of entities, including corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies, business trusts, and other organizations; amending Rule 79, Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure, and Rules 602(b)(2), 602(c), and 605.5, Alaska Rules of Appellate Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 58**

(Profile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 58 by Representatives T. WILSON, THOMPSON, ISAACSON, and HIGGINS, entitled:

"An Act authorizing the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to finance or participate in the financing of a loan guarantee from the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority sustainable energy transmission and supply development fund in an amount not to exceed \$275,000,000 for construction of a natural gas liquefaction facility on the North Slope."

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

**HB 59**

(Profile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 59 by Representative GRUENBERG, entitled:



"An Act relating to missing vulnerable adult prompt response and notification plans."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs and the State Affairs Committee.

**HB 60**

(Prefile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 60 by Representative GRUENBERG, entitled:

"An Act adopting and relating to the Uniform Real Property Transfer on Death Act."

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

**HB 61**

(Prefile released January 11, 2013)

HOUSE BILL NO. 61 by Representative GRUENBERG, entitled:

"An Act relating to joint ownership of real property."

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

**HB 62**

HOUSE BILL NO. 62 by Representative LYNN by request, entitled:

"An Act relating to the term of office of directors of telephone or electric cooperatives."

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

**HB 63**

HOUSE BILL NO. 63 by Representatives HAWKER and Gruenberg, entitled:

"An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar Association; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 64**

HOUSE BILL NO. 64 by the House Rules Committee by request of the Governor, entitled:

"An Act making appropriations, including capital appropriations and other appropriations; making appropriations to capitalize funds; and providing for an effective date."

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

The Governor's transmittal letter dated January 14, 2013, follows:

"Dear Speaker Chenault:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the State's capital budget for Fiscal Year 2014 (FY 2014). The bill balances fiscal restraint with my belief that infrastructure spending creates opportunities for Alaskans.

The proposed capital budget totals \$1.8 billion and includes resource development and infrastructure projects throughout Alaska. The budget contains significant investments in energy development, roads to resources, water and sewer projects, school construction and major maintenance, and matching funds to leverage federal and local dollars. Together with investments in transportation infrastructure, this budget positions Alaska for a future with more opportunity and more prosperity.

I look forward to working with the Legislature to finalize the capital budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

Thank you for your consideration of this bill.

Sincerely,

/s/

Sean Parnell  
Governor"

**HB 65**

HOUSE BILL NO. 65 by the House Rules Committee by request of the Governor, entitled:

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs, capitalizing funds, amending appropriations, and making reappropriations; and providing for an effective date."

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

The Governor's transmittal letter dated January 14, 2013, follows:

"Dear Speaker Chenault:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the State's operating budget for Fiscal Year 2014 (FY 2014).

My budget proposal for FY 2014 continues our goal to restrain the growth of the operating budget while providing opportunities for Alaskans. Our budget priorities are established in the State's Constitution - resource development, transportation/infrastructure, education, and safe homes and communities for Alaskans.

I am proposing a reasonable operating budget that holds the line on government spending and looks long-term to provide a more stable and secure future for our families. With budget discipline, targeted spending, and managing our savings, Alaska's cash reserves and excellent bond rating will provide us with economic opportunities for years to come.

I look forward to working with the Legislature to finalize the operating budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

Thank you for your consideration of this bill.

Sincerely,

/s/

Sean Parnell  
Governor"

**HB 66**

HOUSE BILL NO. 66 by the House Rules Committee by request of the Governor, entitled:

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

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

A letter dated January 14, 2013, with accompanying spreadsheets, to the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority from Karen J. Rehfeld, Director, Office of Management and Budget, was attached (as required by AS 37.14.003) and is on file in the Chief Clerk's office.

The Governor's transmittal letter dated January 14, 2013, follows:

"Dear Speaker Chenault:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the State's comprehensive mental health program for Fiscal Year 2014 (FY 2014). As required by statute, it includes both operating and capital appropriations. Also as required, the enclosed report outlines the differences between the recommendations of the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority and my proposed budget.

The proposed mental health budget represents a cooperative effort between State agencies and the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority. These productive working relationships make a positive difference for Alaska's mental health beneficiaries.

I look forward to working with the Legislature to finalize the mental health budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Thank you for your consideration of this bill.

Sincerely,

/s/

Sean Parnell

Governor"

**HB 67**

HOUSE BILL NO. 67 by Representatives THOMPSON, Herron, Saddler, Millett, Lynn, Johnson, Keller, Chenault, Olson, and Isaacson, entitled:

"An Act establishing March 29 of each year as Vietnam Veterans Day."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs.

**HB 68**

HOUSE BILL NO. 68 by Representatives HUGHES and P. Wilson, entitled:

"An Act relating to the computation of the tax on the taxable income of a corporation derived from sources within the state."

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

**HB 69**

HOUSE BILL NO. 69 by Representatives CHENAULT, Millett, Johnson, T. Wilson, Hawker, Olson, Feige, P. Wilson, Thompson, Keller, Gattis, Lynn, Saddler, and Hughes, entitled:

"An Act exempting certain firearms and firearm accessories in this state from federal regulation; providing criminal penalties for federal officials who enforce or attempt to enforce a federal law, regulation, rule, or order regulating certain firearms and firearm accessories in this state; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 70**

HB 70 was not introduced.

**HB 71**

HOUSE BILL NO. 71 by Representative HUGHES, entitled:

"An Act extending the termination date of the Alaska regional economic assistance program; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 72**

HOUSE BILL NO. 72 by the House Rules Committee by request of the Governor, entitled:

"An Act relating to appropriations from taxes paid under the Alaska Net Income Tax Act; relating to the oil and gas production tax rate; relating to gas used in the state; relating to monthly installment payments of the oil and gas production tax; relating to oil and gas production tax credits for certain losses and expenditures; relating to oil and gas production tax credit certificates; relating to nontransferable tax credits based on production; relating to the oil and gas tax credit fund; relating to annual statements by producers and explorers; relating to the determination of annual oil and gas production tax values including adjustments based on a percentage of gross value at the point of production from certain leases or properties; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date."

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

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Indeterminate, Dept. of Revenue
2. Indeterminate, Dept. of Natural Resources

The Governor's transmittal letter dated January 15, 2013, follows:

"Dear Speaker Chenault:

To create more economic opportunity for Alaskans, we must proactively choose a future of more oil production. Therefore, under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to oil production taxation.

Alaska's oil belongs to Alaskans, and increased oil production will mean increased private sector opportunity for Alaskans. Alaska engineers, contractors, and maintenance personnel earn their livelihoods from oil production; indirectly so do business owners, retailers, and working men and women of all trades. Oil production also provides revenue and drives public sector opportunities for schools, public safety, roads and ferries, energy infrastructure, and many other services for Alaskans.

#### **Need for Legislation**

Alaskans are well aware that oil production from legacy fields is declining. Not because we are running out of oil, but because we are running behind the competition. Alaska's North Slope has billions of proven barrels of oil, but we do not have a tax system designed to attract new investment for more production. At high oil prices, the current progressive tax rate structure creates highly variable tax rates and takes far more profit from investors than other competing jurisdictions. Investors take their money where they get a greater return, and they are investing new capital elsewhere. Legislation is necessary to drive new investment to create new Alaska production and new opportunities for Alaskans.

Under current law, the generous tax credits for capital expenditures support company spending now, but on spending not necessarily targeted for new production. Consequently, the State experiences the short-term risk of writing large checks from the treasury for those credits with no corresponding increase in production. Legislation is necessary to mitigate this risk, and focus company investment on long-term, new Alaska production.

#### **Guiding Principles**

Tax policy must be fair to Alaskans. Any changes to oil taxes should, when taken together, be geared to foster new production. Changes should result in a more simple tax system and restore balance to our fiscal system. And, tax policy must make Alaska competitive for the long-term. If these guiding principles are met, I believe we will more fully maximize the benefit of Alaskans' oil resources for Alaskans.

**Legislation Summary**

The bill maintains a 25 percent base tax rate with a 20 percent gross revenue exclusion for new oil. It eliminates the progressivity calculation, and eliminates the qualified capital expenditure credits for North Slope expenditures. The bill reforms the remaining credits so that they are taken when there is production.

**Fair to Alaskans and Fosters New Production**

The legislation provides more downside price protection for Alaskans in exchange for more upside price revenue to the companies. Under the current tax system, State revenues depend primarily on the price of oil, but the current qualified capital expenditure credits depend on the level of company spending. If prices fall, State revenues are reduced but the State retains the obligation to pay credits. Further, if additional development occurs, under the current system, the credit obligation could grow substantially. Given the State's other obligations like public safety and schools, this imbalance exposes the State to substantial financial risks. By reforming the credit system, this bill rebalances the current tax structure to ensure revenues to the State in low price environments.

The legislation targets new Alaska production rather than just company spending, thus unlocking more of Alaskans' oil for more Alaskan private sector and public sector opportunities. This goal is accomplished by eliminating the current 20 percent tax credit under AS 43.55.023(a) for qualified capital expenditures incurred after December 31, 2013, to explore for, develop, or produce oil and gas deposits located on the North Slope. The bill would amend the 25 percent tax credit issued under AS 43.55.023(b) for a carried-forward annual loss based on expenditures incurred after December 31, 2013, to explore for, develop, or produce oil and gas deposits located on the North Slope by limiting the transferability and monetization of the tax credit. The amendment to AS 43.55.023(b) will encourage investment aimed at production by requiring a producer or explorer to carry the credit forward to offset future tax liabilities. Additionally, the bill extends the small producer tax credit available under AS 43.55.024(c). The small producer tax credit is nontransferable.

The bill creates additional incentives for new production on the North Slope by providing for a 20 percent revenue exclusion based on the



gross value at the point of production of oil and gas produced from a lease or property that was not, as of January 1, 2003, within a unit. It also proposes the same 20 percent revenue exclusion for oil and gas production from new participating areas in units that were formed before January 1, 2003. Similar to the new North Slope carried-forward annual loss tax credit and the extended tax credit for small producers, these incentives only would apply to a company when it has production.

**More Simple, Restores Balance**

The bill simplifies the oil and gas production tax by repealing the progressive tax rate structure in Alaska's current tax system by levying a flat rate tax of 25 percent on oil and gas production statewide, subject to current tax ceilings on certain oil and gas, for production beginning January 1, 2014. The repeal of the progressive tax rate structure in this bill encourages the type of long-term planning and investment needed to promote new investment in new production in Alaska.

**Long-Term Competitiveness**

By shifting the incentives away from spending and towards new production we assure these tax changes are for the long run. Producers get the benefit of tax changes later – after they produce new oil when they can offset earlier liabilities against new production. Additionally, by giving back more of the high side at high oil prices (while better protecting Alaskans against the downside of lower oil prices), we assure companies will make their investments for the long haul because they are more likely to take short-term risk with capital if they are assured greater return over time at higher prices.

In summary, this bill provides a path to more Alaskan opportunity through more Alaskan oil production. I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

/s/

Sean Parnell  
Governor"

**HB 73**

HOUSE BILL NO. 73 by the House Rules Committee by request of the Governor, entitled:

"An Act relating to the commencement of actions for felony sex trafficking and felony human trafficking; relating to the crime of sexual assault; relating to the crime of unlawful contact; relating to forfeiture for certain crimes involving prostitution; relating to the time in which to commence certain prosecutions; relating to release for violation of a condition of release in connection with a crime involving domestic violence; relating to interception of private communications for certain sex trafficking or human trafficking offenses; relating to use of evidence of sexual conduct concerning victims of certain crimes; relating to procedures for granting immunity to a witness in a criminal proceeding; relating to consideration at sentencing of the effect of a crime on the victim; relating to the time to make an application for credit for time served in detention in a treatment program or while in other custody; relating to suspending imposition of sentence for sex trafficking; relating to consecutive sentences for convictions of certain crimes involving child pornography or indecent materials to minors; relating to the referral of sexual felonies to a three-judge panel; relating to the definition of 'sexual felony' for sentencing and probation for conviction of certain crimes; relating to the definition of "sex offense" regarding sex offender registration; relating to protective orders for stalking and sexual assault and for a crime involving domestic violence; relating to the definition of 'victim counseling centers' for disclosure of certain communications concerning sexual assault or domestic violence; relating to violent crimes compensation; relating to certain information in retention election of judges concerning sentencing of persons convicted of felonies; relating to remission of sentences for certain sexual felony offenders; relating to the subpoena power of the attorney general in cases involving the use of an Internet service account; relating to reasonable efforts in child-in-need-of-aid cases involving sexual abuse or sex offender registration; relating to mandatory reporting by athletic coaches of child abuse or neglect; making conforming amendments; amending Rules 16, 32.1(b)(1), and 32.2(a), Alaska Rules of Criminal Procedure, Rule

404(b), Alaska Rules of Evidence, and Rule 216, Alaska Rules of Appellate Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

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

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Public Safety
2. Zero, Dept. of Public Safety
3. Indeterminate, Dept. of Corrections
4. Zero, Dept. of Law
5. Indeterminate, Dept. of Administration
6. Indeterminate, Dept. of Administration
7. Zero, Dept. of Health & Social Services

The Governor's transmittal letter dated January 15, 2013, follows:

"Dear Speaker Chenault:

We remain dedicated to ending the epidemic of domestic violence and sexual assault in Alaska and building on our shared successes of the past three legislative sessions to ensure safe homes and strong families in our state. To those ends, I am transmitting a bill under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, relating to crimes associated with domestic violence, sexual assault, and trafficking.

Measures within this bill provide stronger protections for victims and survivors, strengthen penalties on the demand side of sex trafficking, strengthen law enforcement investigative tools to track down and prosecute perpetrators, and create tougher sentencing provisions.

**Stronger Protections for Victims and Survivors**

To protect victims of domestic violence and sexual assault from further trauma, this legislation will authorize the court to order GPS tracking devices on perpetrators with protective orders to further provide for the safety of the victim when warranted. It will restrict offenders from obtaining graphic forensic evidence of victims, clarify that probation and parole officers may not engage in sexual conduct with a person under their supervision, and restrict offenders in custody

from contacting a victim. In cases where a domestic violence offender violates conditions of release, we will mandate an in-person appearance before a judge prior to their release, as they present a more serious risk to the victim and the public. And for those victims that have yet to seek justice, the statute of limitations for crimes of felony sex trafficking and human trafficking have been removed.

To protect children from further danger and abuse, the bill would allow the Department of Health and Social Services to petition a court to discontinue the department's obligation to engage in reunification efforts with parents or guardians who have committed sexual abuse against the child or who are required to register as a sex offender, thereby freeing up limited resources to make reunification efforts in other cases.

#### **Strengthen Penalties on the Demand Side of Sex Trafficking**

This legislation will require "johns" who prey on young people to register as sex offenders. We will mandate the forfeiture of property used in these crimes, and expand the definition of "sexual felony" to include online enticement of a minor and sex trafficking, so these crimes can be used as prior convictions in sentencing.

#### **Investigative Tools**

The bill allows the attorney general to request the court to authorize interception of private conversations in connection with sex trafficking. Currently, this investigative authority exists in cases of murder, kidnapping, or serious drug offenses. Sex trafficking and human trafficking are serious crimes that commonly would be carried out by coordination among perpetrators. Allowing for this investigative tool would help identify offenders and protect victims of these crimes.

#### **Sentencing**

To further strengthen sentencing provisions, the bill would also require that a defendant who is being sentenced for two or more crimes involving child pornography and similar offenses be sentenced to some consecutive term for each crime for which the person is being sentenced. Even a small amount of consecutive time for each crime gives closure to victims and justice to the public. Additionally, the bill

would ensure that a prisoner is not eligible for good time release if the prisoner has committed an unclassified or a Class A sexual felony.

The bill also addresses a decision of the Alaska Court of Appeals, *Collins v. State*, 287 P.3d 791 (Alaska 2012). A majority, in my view, misinterpreted the legislative history for increased sentencing ranges for sexual felonies by holding that the history indicated lower standards for referral of sexual felonies to a three-judge panel. The bill corrects that interpretation.

I urge your support of this important legislation to enhance the safety of Alaskans.

Sincerely,

/s/

Sean Parnell

Governor"

**HB 74**

HOUSE BILL NO. 74 by the House Rules Committee by request of the Governor, entitled:

"An Act relating to development project financing by the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority; relating to the dividends from the Alaska Industrial and Export Authority; authorizing the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to provide financing and issue bonds for a liquefied natural gas production system and natural gas distribution system; and providing for an effective date."

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

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

The Governor's transmittal letter dated January 15, 2013, follows:

"Dear Speaker Chenault:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to authorizing the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority (AIDEA) to provide financing and issue bonds for a liquefied natural gas production system and a natural gas distribution system; and for development project financing by AIDEA.

The bill is part of a comprehensive financial package relating to the Interior Energy Plan, a strategy that includes low interest loans, gas storage tax credits, and general fund dollars for a moveable liquefaction plant and distribution system. This legislation implements the low interest loans part of the strategy. The second prong of the strategy, gas storage tax credits, has already been enacted into law, while the general fund dollars requested will be considered during budget deliberations.

The bill will authorize AIDEA to provide up to \$275 million in financing for a natural gas liquefaction plant and affiliated infrastructure on the North Slope and a natural gas distribution system and affiliated infrastructure within the Fairbanks North Star Borough. These facilities will make it feasible to truck liquefied natural gas from the North Slope to the Interior and will allow for a wider distribution of gas and propane elsewhere in the state. The distribution system will then be in place for a large diameter gasline.

The bill authorizes AIDEA to provide financing for natural gas facilities through the Sustainable Energy Transmission and Supply (SETS) fund established under legislation passed last session. The bill permits AIDEA to issue up to \$150 million in bonds for the project. The bonds will be secured by a capital reserve fund with the moral obligation of the State to restore the capital reserve fund to its reserve fund requirement in order to ensure payment of the bonds. The bill will further authorize AIDEA to provide another \$125 million in direct financing out of the money held in the SETS fund. This financing could be in the form of loans or guarantees or any other finance mechanism permitted under SETS. To help ensure lower energy rates for Alaskans, the bill will limit the interest rates that AIDEA can charge for its financing.

The bill will enable AIDEA to participate in direct development project financing in addition to its existing ownership-based financing for development projects. Having the authority to engage in direct financing will give AIDEA an important new tool to encourage economic development projects that do not usually lend themselves to AIDEA financing.

For example, there may be natural resource development projects that are beneficial to the economic prosperity of the State, but they may have certain risks AIDEA would not want to assume. A project owner assumes these risks, but a lender does not. This bill allows AIDEA to provide direct financing assistance for development projects, including loans and loan guarantees, even where AIDEA is not going to acquire an ownership interest in the project.

This bill will help raise the number and quality of economic development projects in the state. Those economic development projects should increase the number of jobs that are available to Alaskans.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

/s/

Sean Parnell  
Governor"

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Representative Pruitt moved and asked unanimous consent that the following members be excused from a call of the House. There being no objection, the members were excused as noted:

Representative Costello – from 8:00 a.m., February 7 to 11:00 p.m., February 11

Representative Herron – from 6:00 a.m., January 19 to 10:00 a.m., January 22

Representative Hughes – from:

6:30 p.m., January 25 to 10:00 p.m., January 27;  
2:00 p.m., February 8 to 5:00 p.m., February 10; and  
11:30 a.m., February 22 to 10:00 p.m., February 24

Representative Pruitt – from 5:30 p.m., January 18 to 9:30 p.m.,  
January 21

Representative Kerttula – from 7:00 a.m., January 18 to noon,  
January 20

Representative Pruitt moved and asked unanimous consent that the  
House recess until 6:45 p.m., for the Governor's State of the State and  
State of the Budget Address; and so, the House recessed at 11:23 a.m.

#### **AFTER RECESS**

The Speaker called the House back to order at 6:45 p.m.

The Speaker stated that the House would stand at ease to allow  
members of the Senate to enter the Chamber; and so, the House stood  
at ease at 6:45 p.m.

#### **AFTER AT EASE**

The Speaker called the House back to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### **JOINT SESSION IN THE HOUSE**

In accordance with Uniform Rule 51, Speaker Chenault turned the  
gavel over to President Huggins who called the joint session to order  
at 7:00 p.m.

The purpose of the joint session was to hear the State of the State and  
State of the Budget Address by the Honorable Sean Parnell, Governor  
of Alaska.

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call  
of the Senate be waived and all members be shown as present. There  
being no objection, it was so ordered.



Representative Pruitt moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call of the House be waived and all members be shown as present. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

President Huggins appointed Representative Munoz and Senator Dyson to escort the Governor to the joint session.

The Senate Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Governor's entrance into the House Chamber.

Governor Parnell was escorted to the rostrum and welcomed by President Huggins.

Governor Parnell delivered his address, and it is published in House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 1.

Governor Parnell received a standing ovation and was escorted from the Chamber by Representative Munoz and Senator Dyson.

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the joint session adjourn. There being no objection, President Huggins adjourned the joint session at 7:29 p.m.

The Speaker ordered the House at ease to allow members of the Senate to leave the Chamber.

#### **IN THE HOUSE**

The Speaker called the House back to order at 7:29 p.m.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Pruitt moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., January 18, 2013. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Suzi Lowell  
Chief Clerk