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Fourth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Chenault at 10:32 a.m.

Roll call showed 36 members present. Representatives Hawker and Kerttula had been excused from a call of the House today.

Representative Pruitt moved and asked unanimous consent that Representatives Keller and Millett be excused from a call of the House from today to 8:00 a.m., January 27. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, the Reverend Gordon Blue of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Representative P. Wilson moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

With the deepest respect for the religious beliefs of all Alaskans, I offer the following prayer.

Creator God, when you speak there is light and life, when you act there is justice and love; give your blessing to this House in session. Grant these men and women wisdom and grace in the exercise of their duties that this may bring light and life to the communities and people whom they serve. Grant them a powerful discernment that they may enact just statutes and levies. Give them courage, wisdom, and foresight to provide for the needs of all our people and to fulfill our obligations in the world. Grant that your love may be present in this session

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so that what is said and what is done may encourage the people to honor one another and so bless Alaska that all may give thanks for the work that is done here. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Drummond.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Pruitt moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the second and third legislative days and Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 8 be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

A letter dated January 23, 2014, was read stating that in accordance with Article VII, Section 3, Constitution of the State of Alaska and AS 14.40.150, the Governor submits the following name for legislative confirmation of appointment to the position noted.

The Speaker referred the following to the Education Committee:

University of Alaska Board of Regents

Courtney Enright – Ketchikan Appointed: 6/1/2013 Term Expires: 5/31/2015

A resume for the appointment is on file in the Chief Clerk's office.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following was received:

Dept. of Public Safety Division of Fire and Life Safety Cigarette Fire Safety Program Review January 21, 2014 (as required by AS 18.74.230)

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citation was introduced and taken up later as a Special Order of Business:

Honoring – Gene Peltola By Senator Hoffman; Representative Herron

The following citations were introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

Honoring – Tobias "Toby" Schworer By Representatives Gara, Millett

Honoring – Rhoda Torrefranca By Representative Munoz; Senator Egan

Honoring – Forrest Luke Simpson, Eagle Scout Award By Senator Giessel; Representative Hawker

Honoring – Alaska Military Youth Academy By Senator Giessel

Honoring – Girdwood Elementary School, Alaska Reward School 2012-2013

By Senator Giessel; Representative Hawker

In Memoriam – Hugh Fleischer By Representative Gara

In Memoriam – Earl H. Beistline By Senator Bishop

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 272

HOUSE BILL NO. 272 by Representatives JOSEPHSON, Tarr, and Gruenberg, entitled:

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"An Act repealing an appropriation for the Anchorage U-Med District Northern Access project; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 273

HOUSE BILL NO. 273 by Representatives HOLMES, Johnson, Gruenberg, and Hughes, entitled:

"An Act extending the termination date of the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 274

HOUSE BILL NO. 274 by the House Rules Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to public hearings on initiatives and referenda scheduled to appear on the ballot; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 275

HOUSE BILL NO. 275 by Representative HAWKER, entitled:

"An Act relating to electronic publication of certain municipal notices and to publication and electronic distribution of reports by state agencies."

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

HB 276

HOUSE BILL NO. 276 by Representative THOMPSON, entitled:

"An Act making the Alaska Wage and Hour Act inapplicable to certain employees of motor vehicle dealers; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 277

HOUSE BILL NO. 277 by the House Rules Committee by request of the Governor, entitled:

"An Act relating to the purposes of the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation to advance to develop a large-diameter natural gas pipeline project, including treatment and liquefaction facilities; establishing the large-diameter natural gas pipeline project fund; creating a subsidiary related to a large-diameter natural gas pipeline project, including treatment and liquefaction facilities; relating to the authority of the commissioner of natural resources to negotiate contracts related to North Slope natural gas projects, to enter into confidentiality agreements in support of contract negotiations and implementation, and to take custody of gas delivered to the state under an election to pay the oil and gas production tax in kind; relating to the sale, exchange, or disposal of gas delivered to the state under an election to pay the oil and gas production tax in kind; relating to the duties of the commissioner of revenue to direct the disposition of revenues received from gas delivered to the state in kind and to consult with the commissioner of natural resources on the custody and disposition of gas delivered to the state in kind; relating to the authority of the commissioner of natural resources to propose modifications to existing state oil and gas leases; making certain information provided to the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Revenue exempt from inspection as a public record; making certain tax information related to an election to pay the oil and gas production tax in kind exempt from tax confidentiality provisions; relating to establishing under the oil and gas production tax a gross tax rate for gas after 2021; making the alternate minimum tax on oil and gas produced north of 68 degrees North latitude after 2021 apply only to oil; relating to apportionment factors of the Alaska Net Income Tax Act; authorizing a producer's election to pay the oil and gas production tax in kind for certain gas and relating to the authorization; relating to monthly installment payments of the oil and gas production tax; relating to interest payments on monthly installment payments of the oil and gas production tax; relating to settlements between producers and royalty owners for oil and gas production tax; relating to annual statements by producers and explorers; relating to annual production tax values; relating to lease expenditures; amending the definition of gross value at the 'point of production' for gas for purposes of the oil and gas production tax; adding definitions related to natural gas terms; clarifying that credit may not be taken against the in-kind levy of the oil and gas production tax for gas for purposes of the exploration incentive credit, the oil or gas producer education credit, and the film production tax credit; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date."

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

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

- 1. Fiscal, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
- 2. Fiscal, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
- 3. Fiscal, Dept. of Natural Resources
- 4. Fiscal, Dept. of Revenue

The Governor's transmittal letter dated January 23, 2014, follows:

"Dear Speaker Chenault:

Alaska has significant gas resources on the North Slope. Current known reserves are nearly 35 trillion cubic feet (TCF), and US Geological Survey estimates of technically recoverable conventional gas resources are more than 240 TCF. Bringing this gas to market has been the focus of many efforts over the last 30 years, but to be

successful, requires a coordinated and collaborative effort of many parties.

The recent alignment by parties around a path forward on a large-scale LNG project, and the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation's (AGDC) preparation for an open season in 2015 for an in-state pipeline, create an opportunity for that coordinated and collaborative effort. With parties working together on Alaska's terms, and in Alaskans' interests, it is time to move forward with legislation to advance a natural gas project that would provide natural gas for Alaskans and markets beyond. Therefore, under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill designed to achieve the long-sought State goal of commercial production of North Slope natural gas for the benefit of all Alaskans.

The bill will expand the purposes of AGDC to allow it, through a separate subsidiary, to advance a large-diameter natural gas pipeline project by carrying the State's equity interest in the project's infrastructure, including treatment and liquefaction facilities. The bill would also authorize the Commissioner of Natural Resources to negotiate modifications of existing oil and gas leases to better manage Alaska's interests in its North Slope natural gas resources. Finally, the bill would amend the levy of tax on gas under Alaska's oil and gas production tax, providing the clarity of terms any North Slope natural gas project needs to proceed.

First, commercialization of North Slope natural gas should occur with both in-state needs and export potential in mind. Therefore, the bill would provide authority to pursue an equity position in a large-diameter natural gas pipeline project that could include treatment and liquefaction facilities, but would not impede the mission of AGDC to continue to advance the Alaska Stand Alone Pipeline (ASAP) in-state gasline project.

As to the provisions of the bill relating to the Department of Natural Resources, the bill would provide the needed authority for the Commissioner of Natural Resources to enter into short-term commercial agreements related to the North Slope natural gas project. In addition, the bill would allow the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources to negotiate terms, subject to legislative

approval, project services related to a natural gas project. To facilitate negotiations and continuing development activities, confidentiality of information would be maintained, but any contract to be presented to the Legislature for authorization would not be confidential.

Current State oil and gas leases contain terms – such as provisions that allow the State to switch between taking royalty oil and gas in-kind or in-value – which may hinder the ability of lessees to enter into long-term contracts for sales of natural gas produced on the North Slope. The bill would allow the Commissioner of Natural Resources to modify certain lease terms on property that commits gas to a natural gas project in order to facilitate commercialization. After a natural gas project sponsor has demonstrated sufficient project commitments, the Commissioner may modify existing leases that commit gas to a natural gas project, with the concurrence of the lessees. Gas committed from these leases, whether through royalty or the production tax, would be subject to the current standards for sale, exchange, or disposal of gas taken in-kind by the State as its royalty share.

Other provisions of the bill relate to the oil and gas production tax, specifically to the tax levy on gas. The current tax structure, which imposes a net tax on the annual production tax value of oil and gas, is retained until 2022 when the tax limitations expire for Cook Inlet oil and gas produced anywhere in the state but used in-state. The bill proposes changes to the tax system to facilitate natural gas development and provide gas for in-state sale and export. For gas produced after 2021, the tax levy on gas would be 10.5 percent of annual gross value at the point of production. The oil tax levy would remain at 35 percent of net annual production tax value. Most importantly, for leases that have been modified as described above, the bill would allow a producer to pay, for gas from modified leases only, its production tax with gas instead of with money equal to 10.5 percent of the taxable gas production from the modified leases. The Commissioner of Revenue will continue to direct revenue received from the sale of gas to the General Fund.

In order to pay the production tax in-kind, the producer must make an irrevocable election under regulations adopted by the Department of Revenue. Disputes over any tax deficiency, and interest or penalties on a deficiency, would be accounted for as if the tax was levied in money.

Furthermore, gas flared, released, or allowed to escape upstream of the point of production, or gas used on a lease or property would not be subject to an in-kind election.

The bill would make changes to provisions in current law to facilitate the new gross tax levy on gas. The name of a producer and the volumes of gas subject to the election to pay tax as gas would be public information. The alternate minimum tax on North Slope oil and gas would apply only to oil after 2021. The bill accounts for how producers make estimated monthly installment payments of tax due after 2021 and clarifies that credits may be taken only against the tax levy in money, not against the levy in-kind.

Development of natural gas projects of this scope is a new chapter in State resource development that will be enhanced by the State's equity participation in either project. Given the momentum on developing North Slope gas, we must act now to assure that our laws provide the appropriate agencies with authorities and tools to allow the State to advance projects on Alaska's terms and in Alaskans interests.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely, /s/ Sean Parnell Governor"

HB 278

HOUSE BILL NO. 278 by the House Rules Committee by request of the Governor, entitled:

"An Act increasing the base student allocation used in the formula for state funding of public education; repealing the secondary student competency examination and related requirements; relating to high school course credit earned through assessment; relating to a college and career readiness assessment for secondary students; relating to charter school application appeals and program budgets; relating to residential school applications; increasing the stipend for boarding school students; extending unemployment contributions for the Alaska technical and

vocational education program; relating to earning high school credit for completion of vocational education courses offered by institutions receiving technical and vocational education program funding; relating to education tax credits; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date."

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

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

- 1. Zero, Dept. of Education & Early Development
- 2. Indeterminate, Dept. of Revenue
- 3. Fiscal, Dept. of Education & Early Development
- 4. Fiscal, Dept. of Education & Early Development
- 5. Fiscal, Dept. of Education & Early Development
- 6. Fiscal, Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development
- 7. Fiscal, University of Alaska

The Governor's transmittal letter dated January 23, 2014, follows:

"Dear Speaker Chenault:

Alaska's future depends on the educational opportunities we provide to our children, and we must continue to raise the bar for all students so they are well prepared for success. Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill that supports family involvement and improves student achievement. No one knows better how to help a student succeed than his or her own family. The measures in this bill will increase opportunity for families to make wise choices regarding their student's education, ensure that the essential needs of Alaska's students are met, provide flexibility in assessment of achievement and the earning of necessary educational credits to suit an individual student's needs, and incentivize broader opportunities for students as they prepare to enter Alaska's workforce.

Charter School: Increased Opportunities

Alaska's current charter school law is one of the most restrictive in the nation. This bill would remove barriers that currently prevent opportunities for charter schools to be expanded. Local school districts

have sole authority to approve or deny charter school creation. Under the measures of the bill, an applicant would have an avenue of appeal through the Commissioner of Education and Early Development if the application is denied by a local school board. The appeal option would provide additional oversight to ensure fairness in the charter school application process, and provide opportunity to replicate schools with proven records of success instead of forcing students to remain on waiting lists.

This bill will also ensure that all funding will follow a charter school student for the purpose of determining a charter school budget. As charter school students are already a part of the public school system, the additional provision regarding the funding is intended to enhance parity between charter and traditional neighborhood schools.

Residential School Application and Stipend

The bill will also remove barriers for providing more residential schools for our rural students and encourage the private sector to support this successful model. The bill would require that the Department of Education and Early Development open an annual application period for new residential schools to expand opportunity for districts to offer this option to students and their families. Current law does not indicate how often an application period will be opened. The bill would also increase the stipend allowed for room and board for residential schools. This stipend was increased in the 2013 legislative session, but still does not cover the actual costs of residential schools, and the bill is an effort to close the gap.

Tax Credit Contributions to Residential School Housing and Scholarships

The bill would provide corporate income tax credit for cash contributions made for the construction, operation, or maintenance of residential school housing facilities. Taxpayers could also receive credit if they provide funding to a nonprofit organization that awards scholarships to dual-credit students – high school students who simultaneously receive college and high school credit for a course. The tax credits offered under this bill are intended to encourage a public-private partnership directed toward improving educational opportunities in Alaska.

Increasing the Base Student Allocation

This bill will provide for a three year plan to increase State funding through the base student allocation (BSA) formula. The allocation has not been raised since 2011; however, during that time, funding for fuel and utility costs has been provided outside the formula as those costs fluctuate – that funding is already included in my FY2015 budget. The proposed BSA increase recognizes that instructional costs have also gone up and that a modest increase will provide relief to school district budgets in support of delivering quality education to Alaska's students. I welcome the Legislature's consideration of these fundamental needs.

Alaska Career and Technical Education Program

In order to provide continued opportunity and choice to students as they prepare for the workforce, this bill would reauthorize through 2024 the Alaska technical and vocational education program, also known as career and technical education, which under existing statute is authorized only through June 30, 2014. The bill aims to encourage institutions receiving financing through the career and technical education program to offer courses that permit high school students to earn dual credit upon course completion.

Competency Exam Repeal

This bill would repeal the requirement of AS 14.03.075 that secondary students pass a competency examination, also known as a High School Graduation Qualifying Examination, as a prerequisite for receiving a high school diploma. Based on the State's experience with the competency examination to date, little is being gained from use of the test, despite its significant cost in terms of funding, and staff and student time lost to instruction. Due to robust accountability measures that have been put in place since the competency exam was originally enacted, it is time to offer our students a more effective option.

Students would instead be required to take a college and career readiness assessment to qualify for a high school diploma. "College and career readiness assessment" would be defined in the statute as the SAT, ACT, or WorkKeys assessment. No minimum score would be designated. Rather than the one-size-fits-all approach of the competency exam, these assessment options provide data that allow schools and districts to more accurately gauge effectiveness of their

training and educational programs relative to student readiness for post-secondary opportunities and also provide valuable information for students and their families to plan successfully for those opportunities. The Department of Education and Early Development would provide funding for a single administration of a readiness assessment for each secondary student, allowing students to choose which assessment best meets their individual goals. Because these assessments are already used as qualifying assessments for the Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS), every high school student will have opportunity for his or her achievement to be evaluated for APS, without additional cost to students and their families.

Course Credit Earned by Assessment

This bill would require that a school district provide a high school student an opportunity to "test out" of a class. The requirement would apply to classes offered in the school in mathematics, language arts, science, social studies, and world languages. The student would prove mastery through a district-approved assessment and receive academic credit for the class toward his or her graduation. This change would encourage students who have the skills to advance more quickly through the high school curriculum and broaden the range of classes available to them, while allowing teachers to invest more fully in students who have not yet mastered the subject at hand.

Ensuring that Alaska's students are adequately prepared for postsecondary education, training, and the workforce is paramount for a bright future, as is increasing the number of options available for each family to make the right educational choices to suit each student. I urge your prompt and favorable consideration of this bill.

Sincerely, /s/ Sean Parnell Governor"

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Pruitt moved that the House confirm the appointment of Representative Josephson and Representative Tuck (Alternate) to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics.

The question being: "Shall the House confirm the appointment of Representative Josephson and Representative Tuck (Alternate) to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Select Committee on Legislative Ethics Confirm - Representative Josephson Representative Tuck, Alternate

YEAS: 35 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Austerman, Chenault, Costello, Drummond, Edgmon, Feige, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Higgins, Holmes, Hughes, Isaacson, Johnson, Josephson, Kawasaki, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Pruitt, Reinbold, Saddler, Seaton, Stoltze, Tarr, Thompson, Tuck, P.Wilson, T.Wilson

Excused: Hawker, Keller, Kerttula, Millett

Absent: Herron

And so, the appointments were confirmed.

The Chief Clerk notified the Senate.

SCR 3

The Speaker removed the State Affairs Committee referral for the following:

CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3(JUD) Establishing the Joint Committee on Access and Federal Overreach; and recommending that the Governor establish a working group to consider establishing a permanent office or authority to preserve state sovereignty.

CSSCR 3(JUD) was removed from the State Affairs Committee and referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 71

The Speaker appointed a 2nd conference committee to meet with the like committee from the Senate:

Representative Pruitt, Chair Representative LeDoux Representative Kawasaki

to consider the following:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 71(FIN)

"An Act requiring the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development to file an annual report to the legislature regarding statewide and regional economic development projects and regional development organizations; extending the termination date of the Alaska regional economic assistance program; and providing for an effective date."

and

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 71(FIN)

"An Act requiring the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission to report biennially on the vessel-based limited entry fisheries system for the weathervane scallop and Bering Sea hair crab fisheries; requiring the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development to file an annual report to the legislature regarding statewide and regional economic development projects and regional development organizations; extending the termination date of the Alaska regional economic assistance program; extending the termination date of the authority of the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission to maintain a vessel-based limited entry fisheries system for the weathervane scallop and Bering Sea hair crab fisheries; providing for an effective date by amending the effective date under sec. 28, ch. 137, SLA 2002; and providing for an effective date."

The Chief Clerk notified the Senate.

Representative Pruitt moved and asked unanimous consent that the House waive Uniform Rule 1(e) pertaining to the proportional number of seats to which a recognized minority is entitled until such time that a replacement for the departing member from Juneau is selected and confirmed.

The question being: "Shall the House waive Uniform Rule 1(e)?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Waive Uniform Rule 1(e) Proportional Membership on Committees

YEAS: 36 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Austerman, Chenault, Costello, Drummond, Edgmon, Feige, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Herron, Higgins, Holmes, Hughes, Isaacson, Johnson, Josephson, Kawasaki, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Pruitt, Reinbold, Saddler, Seaton, Stoltze, Tarr, Thompson, Tuck, P.Wilson, T.Wilson

Excused: Hawker, Keller, Kerttula, Millett

And so, the motion passed.

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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 5:00 p.m., today to 10:00 p.m., January 26

Representative Drummond – from 5:00 p.m., February 27 to 5:00 p.m., March 9

Representative Gara – from:

6:30 a.m., February 1 to 9:50 p.m., February 2;

6:30 p.m., February 7 to 10:15 a.m., February 10;

6:30 p.m., February 14 to 10:00 a.m., February 17;

6:30 p.m., February 28 to 10:15 a.m., March 3; and

6:30 p.m., March 7 to 10:10 a.m., March 10

Representative Herron – from noon, February 6 to 3:00 p.m., February 9

Representative Millett – from 8:00 a.m., January 27 to 8:00 a.m., January 28

Representative Nageak – from 11:00 a.m., February 6 to 1:00 p.m., February 9; and from 6:00 a.m., February 20 to 2:00 p.m., February 25

Representative Saddler – from:

noon, February 6 to 2:00 p.m., February 11; noon, February 14 to 10:00 p.m., February 16; and 6:00 p.m., February 27 to 10:00 p.m., March 2

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Representative Pruitt moved and asked unanimous consent that the notice and publication requirements be waived and the citation, Honoring – Gene Peltola, be taken up as a Special Order of Business. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Pruitt moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citation. There being no objection, the following citation was approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring – Gene Peltola

By Senator Hoffman; Representatives Herron, Chenault, Costello, Drummond, Edgmon, Feige, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Higgins, Holmes, Hughes, Isaacson, Johnson, Josephson, Kawasaki, Kerttula, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Pruitt, Reinbold, Saddler, Seaton, Stoltze, Tarr, Thompson, Tuck, P. Wilson, T. Wilson

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HJR 19

Representative Munoz added her name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 19

Urging the Secretary of the United States Air Force, the Chief of Staff of the United States Air Force, and the Commander of the Pacific Air Forces to base F-35 aircraft assigned to the Pacific Air Forces at Eielson Air Force Base.

HJR 23

Representatives Thompson, Higgins, Foster, LeDoux, Keller, Herron, Tuck, Hughes, Feige, Tarr, Nageak, Kreiss-Tomkins, Gruenberg, and Holmes added their names as cosponsors to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 23

Proclaiming March 27, 2014, as Good Friday Earthquake Remembrance Day.

HB 210

Representative Foster added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 210

"An Act relating to the administration of psychiatric medication to a student; relating to crisis intervention training for school personnel; and relating to restraint, escort, and seclusion of students in public and private schools."

HB 211

Representatives Foster and Johnson added their names as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 211

"An Act relating to the education and employment of individuals with disabilities."

HB 220

Representative Kawasaki added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 220

"An Act repealing the secondary student competency examination and related requirements; and providing for an effective date."

HB 247

Representative Lynn added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 247

"An Act relating to the Protective Occupation Retirement Council; relating to participation of certain employees in the defined benefit

and defined contribution plans of the public employees' retirement system; and providing for an effective date."

HB 271

Representative Nageak added his name as cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 271

"An Act making a special appropriation to the University of Alaska Fairbanks for a study of the feasibility of constructing a railroad between Fairbanks and Deadhorse; and providing for an effective date."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Pruitt moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 11:00 a.m., January 27, 2014. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Suzi Lowell Chief Clerk