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Forty-second Day

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

The roll showed sixteen members present. Senators Hoffman, Stevens, Wielechowski were excused from a call of the Senate. Senator Bishop was absent.

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

Dear Heavenly Father,

We make our earnest prayer that you will:

Keep the United States in your holy protection;

Incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government, and to entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow citizens of the United States at large;

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

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

We humbly ask these things now. Amen.

Senator Coghill led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Certification

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the thirty-ninth through forty-first legislative days and Senate Journal Supplement No. 3 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the House

Message dated February 22 was read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 22

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 22(L&C) BY THE HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE, 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 and Commerce and Finance Committees.

Communications

The following reports are on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate:

AKOSH Evaluation Report for FY 2012, State of Alaska, Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Labor Standards and Safety Division, Alaska Occupational Safety and Health
from Dianne Blumer, Commissioner
in accordance with AS 18.60.040

Alaska Airports and Aviation 2012 Annual Report, Statewide Aviation, Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities from Steve Hatter, Deputy Commissioner

Standing Committee Reports

SB 23

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 23 "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" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 23(L&C)

Signing no recommendation: Senator Dunleavy, Chair; Senators Olson, Stedman, Ellis. Signing amend: Senator Micciche.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

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

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

Consideration of the Calendar

Second Reading of Senate Bills

SB 12

SENATE BILL NO. 12 "An Act relating to state and public entity procurement, including the State Procurement Code, procurement preferences, contract awards, the use of small procurement provisions for certain amounts of leased space, the Alaska business license requirement for Alaska bidder and other procurement preferences, the proof of registration of construction contract bidders and offerors, the

establishment and maintenance of lists of persons who want to provide supplies or services to the state, state agencies, and state instrumentalities, electronic bids and proposals, the chief procurement officer, small procurements, and writings; relating to the meaning of 'Alaska bidder'; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

SENATE BILL NO. 12 will advance to third reading on the February 27 calendar.

SB 37

SENATE BILL NO. 37 "An Act extending the termination date of the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 37 was read the third time.

Senators McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Dunleavy, Kelly moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on the bill. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall SENATE BILL NO. 37 "An Act extending the termination date of the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 37

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date

YEAS: 16 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Coghill, Dunleavy, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Fairclough, French, Gardner, Giessel, Huggins, Kelly, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman

Excused: Bishop, Hoffman, Stevens, Wielechowski

and so, SENATE BILL NO. 37 passed the Senate.

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the vote on the passage of the bill be considered the vote on the effective date clause. Without objection, it was so ordered and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

Citations

In Memoriam - Clarence Jackson, Sr.
Representative(s) Kreiss-Tomkins
Senator(s) Stedman, Huggins, Bishop, Coghill, Dunleavy, Dyson, Egan, Ellis, Fairclough, French, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Kelly, McGuire, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stevens, Wielechowski

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

Engrossment

SB 37

SENATE BILL NO. 37 "An Act extending the termination date of the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., February 27, 2013. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

Liz Clark
Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Feb 26	Tuesday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Feb 28	Thursday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
+= HB 40	MUNICIPAL TAX EXEMPTION: FARM STRUCTURES		

EDUCATION

Feb 25	Monday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	8:00 AM
+ SB 41	SCHOOL SPORTS/INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES		
Feb 27	Wednesday	Capitol 106	8:00 AM
	-- Location Change --		
+	Joint w/ House Education		
	Presentation: Report on Teacher Preparation, Retention, & Recruitment by Board of Regents, University of Alaska		
Mar 01	Friday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	8:00 AM
	Discussion: Vouchers		
	#1 - Identifying the Stakeholders & Key Policy Areas		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

FINANCE

Feb 25 Monday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 = SB 17 EXTEND SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGENCY

Feb 26 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + SB 27 REGULATION OF DREDGE AND FILL ACTIVITIES
 + SB 26 LAND DISPOSALS/EXCHANGES; WATER RIGHTS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 27 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + SB 2 INTERSTATE MINING COMPACT & COMMISSION
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 28 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + SB 23 AIDEA: LNG PROJECT; DIVIDENDS; FINANCING
 + SB 21 OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX
 <Pending Referral>
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 01 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Feb 25 Monday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Feb 27 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Mar 01 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

JUDICIARY

Feb 25 Monday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 + Confirmation Hearing:
 Select Committee on Legislative Ethics
 Antoinette "Toni" Mallott, Juneau
 += SB 43 PROPERTY CRIMES
 -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --
 += SB 22 CRIMES; VICTIMS; CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT
 -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 27 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 + SB 49 MEDICAID PAYMENT FOR ABORTIONS; TERMS
 -- Teleconferenced <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 01 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 += SB 43 PROPERTY CRIMES
 -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --
 += SB 22 CRIMES; VICTIMS; CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT
 -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

Feb 26 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 + SB 52 PORTABLE ELECTRONICS INSURANCE
 + SB 55 INSURER'S USE OF CREDIT SCORES
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 28 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 -- Meeting Postponed to 3/19/13 --
 + HB 26 EXTEND BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY
 + SB 4 MILITARY TRAINING CREDIT
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

RESOURCES

Feb 25	Monday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+= SB 21	OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
	-- 5:30 p.m. SB 21 Public Testimony --		
Feb 27	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	12:00 PM
+	Joint w/ House Resources		
	Mining Industry Overview		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
Feb 27	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+= SB 21	OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX		
	Committee Discussion		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Mar 01	Friday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+= SB 21	OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX		
	Committee Discussion		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Mar 02	Saturday	Butrovich 205	10:00 AM
+= SB 21	OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION TAX		
	Committee Discussion		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		

STATE AFFAIRS

Feb 26	Tuesday	Capitol 106	8:00 AM
	-- Time and Location Change --		
+	Joint w/ House State Affairs		
	Federal Overreach: Activities of Departments of		
	Law and Natural Resources		
	- Overview and Presentations by Department Staff		
	on State Activities Related to R.S. 2477:		
	Easements Over Federal Lands and Disputes Over		
	Submerged Lands and Navigable Waters		

STATE AFFAIRS (continued)

Feb 28 Thursday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
 + SB 44 ELECTION PROCEDURES; REAA ADVISORY BOARDS
 + SB 45 FEE/TAX EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES

TRANSPORTATION

Feb 26 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Feb 28 Thursday Barnes 124 1:00 PM
 + Joint w/ House Transportation
 Presentation: North Lynn Canal Ferry Conceptual
 Design, DOT/PF

Feb 28 Thursday Butrovich 205 2:15 PM
 += HB 15 COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES**EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT**

Feb 27 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 3:00 PM
 + Discussion of School Assessments & Improvements
 Digitizing Education in Alaska Initiative
 <Above Agenda Item Rescheduled to a Later Date>
 Pre-K and K-3 Literary
 Mike Hanley, Commissioner, DEED
 Les Morse, Deputy Commissioner, DEED
 Susan McCauley, Director, Teaching & Learning
 Support
 Paul Sugar, Head Start/ Parent Involvement, DEED
 Linda Thibodeau, Libraries, Archives & Museums
 <Removed from Agenda>

EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT (continued)

Feb 28	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	3:30 PM
	-- Please Note Time Change --		
+	Alaska Performance Scholarship Program		
	Postsecondary Education		
	Mike Hanley, Commissioner, DEED		
	Diane Barrans, Director, Alaska Commission on		
	Postsecondary Education		

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Feb 26	Tuesday	Sen Conf Rm 103 Tsb	5:00 PM
+	Division of Spill Prevention and Response		
	Larry Dietrick, Director		

FISH & GAME

Feb 25	Monday	Senate Finance 532	3:00 PM
	Department Budget Overview		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
Feb 27	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	3:00 PM
	-- MEETING CANCELED --		
	Department Budget Overview		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
Mar 04	Monday	Senate Finance 532	3:00 PM
	Department Budget Overview		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
Mar 06	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	3:00 PM
	Department Budget Overview		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
Mar 11	Monday	Senate Finance 532	3:00 PM
	Department Budget Overview		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Feb 28	Thursday	Fahrenkamp 203	8:00 AM
	-- Location Change --		
+	Other Issues within the Budget		
	Question and Answer Session		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
Mar 14	Thursday	Fahrenkamp 203	8:00 AM
	-- Location Change --		
+	Budget Close-out		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		

PUBLIC SAFETY

Feb 26	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	3:30 PM
+	Other Issues within the Budget		
	Question and Answer Session		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
Mar 12	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	3:30 PM
+	Budget Close-out		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		

SPECIAL COMMITTEES**SENATE SPECIAL COMM ON IN-STATE ENERGY**

Feb 26	Tuesday	Butrovich 205	7:30 AM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Feb 28	Thursday	Butrovich 205	7:30 AM
+	Long Term Perspective on Energy Issues by		
	Former Gov. Bill Sheffield and Joe Griffith		

SENATE SPECIAL COMM ON TAPS THROUGHPUT

Feb 26 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + SB 59 OIL & GAS EXPLORATION/DEVELOPMENT AREAS

Feb 28 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

JOINT COMMITTEES**ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION REVIEW**

Feb 28 Thursday Barnes 124 8:30 AM
 Presentation: Impact of Federal Actions on Alaska
 Administrative Regulations, by Sam Batkins
 American Action Forum
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Feb 26 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 4:30 PM
 -- Teleconference <Listen Only> --
 Ratification of Charity Events
 Contract Approvals
 Other Committee Business

SELECT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS

Feb 26 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 9:00 AM
 + FULL COMMITTEE - Open Session
 Public Comment, Chair/Staff Report
 Budget: FY13 & FY14
 Office Allowance Funds, Disclosure Waiver Requests
 Board of an Organization - Definition
 Procedure to Address Recommendations for Changes
 to AS 24.60
 2013 Legislation Update
 Other Business

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS
(continued)**

Feb 26	Tuesday	Sen Conf Rm 103 Tsb	1:00 PM
+	JOINT SENATE AND HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE		
	Public Comment		
	Executive Session		
	Public Session		

OTHER MEETINGS

JOINT SESSION

Mar 04	Monday	House Chamber	11:00 AM
	Annual Address by the Honorable		
	Mark Begich, U.S. Senator		