

# HOUSE JOURNAL

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### TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Tuesday

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#### First Day

Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution of the State of Alaska, the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, and AS 24.05.160, the House of Representatives of the State of Alaska assembled in the House Chamber for the first regular session of the Twenty-ninth Alaska State Legislature, January 20, 2015, at 1:04 p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable Byron Mallott, Lieutenant Governor.

The following members of an Honor Guard from the Girl Scouts of Alaska presented the Colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance:

Elin Antaya  
Rebecca Hassler  
Tallulah Lastufka  
Marina Lloyd

Meridith Newman  
Sophia Pugh  
Maile Quigley  
Celia Wheeler

The following members of the Alaska Youth Choir sang "Alaska's Flag" under the direction of Artistic Director Missouri Smyth:

Clare Boily  
Sydney Carter  
Madison Cordle  
Elizabeth Djajalie  
Jaena Fiscus  
Kira Frommherz  
Sarah Graber

Sadie Jenkins  
Dorothy Kuterbach  
Cole Mitchell  
Reagan Mitchell  
Kristina Paulick  
Alex Stevens  
Kaelin Tibbles

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, the Reverend Gordon Blue of Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Representative-elect Millett 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.

Spirit of justice, creator Spirit; help the Alaska House of Representatives to make and keep the great state of Alaska a home for all its different peoples. You have made us many peoples, but of one blood; preserve our many cultures and make us also of one mind.

*Your way was in the sea, and your paths in the great waters, yet your footsteps were not seen. Psalm 77:19*

Open our eyes to see your path in the world around us. We give you thanks and praise for our Great Land, for the abundance with which you have blessed us. God, you know better than we the temptations that will bring us down. Protect us and guide our feet into the way of peace. May you be with these Representatives who have been called by the people into their service. Let the House draw strength from what has been achieved by past legislatures; help them to bear their own and one another's burdens. Bless them so that their example may give to the people a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, and we may use our liberty to bring blessings upon the future generations of Alaska. Amen.

Lieutenant Governor Mallott read the following Certificate of Election:

#### **CERTIFICATE**

"I, Gail Fenumiai, Director of the Division of Elections for the State of Alaska, do hereby certify that in accordance with the provisions of AS 15.15.450, a General Election was held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2014, in the State of Alaska pursuant to AS 15.15.020 and the following candidates were elected to the office of State Representative for a two year term for the district indicated:

House District 1	Scott J. Kawasaki
House District 2	Steve M. Thompson
House District 3	Tammie Wilson
House District 4	David Guttenberg
House District 5	Adam Wool
House District 6	David M. "Dave" Talerico
House District 7	Lynn Gattis
House District 8	Mark A. Neuman
House District 9	Jim Colver
House District 10	Wes Keller
House District 11	Shelley Hughes
House District 12	Cathy Tilton
House District 13	Dan Saddler
House District 14	Lora Reinbold
House District 15	Gabrielle LeDoux
House District 16	Max F. Gruenberg Jr.
House District 17	Andrew L. "Andy" Josephson
House District 18	Harriet A. Drummond
House District 19	Geran Tarr
House District 20	Les S. Gara
House District 21	Matt Claman
House District 22	Liz Vazquez

House District 23	Chris S. Tuck
House District 24	Craig W. Johnson
House District 25	Charisse E. Millett
House District 26	Bob Lynn
House District 27	Lance Pruitt
House District 28	Mike Hawker
House District 29	Charles "Mike" Chenault
House District 30	Kurt E. Olson
House District 31	Paul Seaton
House District 32	Louise B. Stutes
House District 33	Sam S. Kito
House District 34	Cathy E. Munoz
House District 35	Jonathan S. Kreiss-Tomkins
House District 36	Daniel H. "Dan" Ortiz
House District 37	Bryce Edgmon
House District 38	Bob Herron
House District 39	Neal W. Foster
House District 40	Benjamin P. "Bennie" Nageak

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed hereto the Seal of the State of Alaska, at Juneau, the Capital, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, A.D. 2014.

/s/

Gail Fenumiai, Director  
Division of Elections"

Lieutenant Governor Mallott requested that the following members come forward to take the oath of office:

District 1	Scott J. Kawasaki
District 2	Steve M. Thompson
District 3	Tammie Wilson
District 4	David Guttenberg

Lieutenant Governor Mallott administered the oath of office to the members.

Lieutenant Governor Mallott requested that the following members come forward to take the oath of office:

District 5	Adam Wool
District 6	David M. "Dave" Talerico
District 7	Lynn Gattis
District 8	Mark A. Neuman

Lieutenant Governor Mallott administered the oath of office to the members.

Lieutenant Governor Mallott requested that the following members come forward to take the oath of office:

District 9	Jim Colver
District 10	Wes Keller
District 11	Shelley Hughes
District 12	Cathy Tilton

Lieutenant Governor Mallott administered the oath of office to the members.

Lieutenant Governor Mallott requested that the following members come forward to take the oath of office:

District 13	Dan Saddler
District 14	Lora Reinbold
District 15	Gabrielle LeDoux
District 16	Max F. Gruenberg Jr.

Lieutenant Governor Mallott administered the oath of office to the members.

Lieutenant Governor Mallott requested that the following members come forward to take the oath of office:

District 17	Andrew L. "Andy" Josephson
District 18	Harriet A. Drummond
District 19	Geran Tarr
District 20	Les S. Gara

Lieutenant Governor Mallott administered the oath of office to the members.

Lieutenant Governor Mallott requested that the following members come forward to take the oath of office:

District 21	Matt Claman
District 22	Liz Vazquez
District 23	Chris S. Tuck
District 24	Craig W. Johnson

Lieutenant Governor Mallott administered the oath of office to the members.

Lieutenant Governor Mallott requested that the following members come forward to take the oath of office:

District 25	Charisse E. Millett
District 26	Bob Lynn
District 27	Lance Pruitt
District 28	Mike Hawker

Lieutenant Governor Mallott administered the oath of office to the members.

Lieutenant Governor Mallott requested that the following members come forward to take the oath of office:

District 29	Charles "Mike" Chenault
District 30	Kurt E. Olson
District 31	Paul Seaton
District 32	Louise B. Stutes

Lieutenant Governor Mallott administered the oath of office to the members.

Lieutenant Governor Mallott requested that the following members come forward to take the oath of office:

District 33	Sam S. Kito
District 34	Cathy E. Munoz
District 35	Jonathan S. Kreiss-Tomkins
District 36	Daniel H. "Dan" Ortiz

Lieutenant Governor Mallott administered the oath of office to the members.

Lieutenant Governor Mallott requested that the following members come forward to take the oath of office:

District 37	Bryce Edgmon
District 38	Bob Herron
District 39	Neal W. Foster
District 40	Benjamin P. "Bennie" Nageak

Lieutenant Governor Mallott administered the oath of office to the members.

### **SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE**

The Lieutenant Governor stated that nominations for Speaker pro tempore were now in order.

Representative Johnson nominated Representative Millett as Speaker pro tempore and moved and asked unanimous consent that nominations be closed. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Johnson moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Millett be Speaker pro tempore. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Lieutenant Governor Mallott appointed Representatives Munoz and Tarr to escort Representative Millett, Speaker pro tempore, to the rostrum.

Speaker pro tempore Millett appointed Representatives Munoz and Tarr to escort the Lieutenant Governor from the House Chamber.

Speaker pro tempore Millett stated that, pursuant to AS 24.05.120, the Uniform Rules in effect during the previous legislature would serve as the rules of the Twenty-ninth Alaska State Legislature until adoption of permanent rules.

### **SPEAKER**

Speaker pro tempore Millett stated that nominations for Speaker of the House were now in order.

Representative Olson nominated Representative Chenault as Speaker of the House and moved and asked unanimous consent that nominations be closed. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall Representative Chenault be elected Speaker of the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Representative Chenault  
Speaker of the House

**YEAS: 40 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Chenault, Claman, Colver, Drummond, Edgmon, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Josephson, Kawasaki, Keller, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Reinbold, Saddler, Seaton, Stutes, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vazquez, Wilson, Wool

And so, Representative Chenault was elected Speaker of the House of the Twenty-ninth Alaska State Legislature.

Representative Millett appointed Representatives Foster and Kito to escort the Speaker to the rostrum.

The Speaker received a standing ovation and delivered brief opening remarks regarding the Twenty-ninth Alaska State Legislature.

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Roll call showed 40 members present.

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Pursuant to Uniform Rule 1(e), the Speaker appointed the following members to the Committee on Committees:

Representative Chenault, Chair  
Representative Johnson  
Representative Millett  
Representative Neuman  
Representative Thompson  
Representative Gruenberg  
Representative Tuck

The Speaker appointed Representatives Saddler and Kreiss-Tomkins to advise the Governor that the House is in session and ready to do business.

The Speaker appointed Representatives Keller and Drummond to advise the Senate that the House is in session and ready to do business.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would recess to a Call of the Chair; and so, the House recessed at 1:43 p.m.

#### **AFTER RECESS**

The Speaker called the House back to order at 2:18 p.m.

Representative Saddler reported that the Governor was notified that the House is in session and ready to do business.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would advance to:

### **REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

The following report of the Committee on Committees, dated January 20, 2015, was received:

The Committee on Committees met and submits the following names of Representatives to serve on the respective House committees:

Community & Regional Affairs: Tilton, Chair; Seaton, Vice Chair; Hughes, Nageak, Reinbold, Drummond, Ortiz

Education: Keller, Chair; Reinbold, Vice Chair; Colver, Seaton, Vazquez, Drummond, Kreiss-Tomkins

Finance: Neuman and Thompson, Co-chairs; Saddler, Vice Chair; Edgmon, Gattis, Munoz, Pruitt, Wilson, Gara, Guttenberg, Kawasaki; Hawker, Alternate

Health & Social Services: Seaton, Chair; Vazquez, Vice Chair; Foster, Stutes, Talerico, Tarr, Wool

Judiciary: LeDoux, Chair; Keller, Vice Chair; Foster, Lynn, Millett, Claman, Gruenberg

Labor & Commerce: Olson, Chair; Hughes, Vice Chair; Colver, LeDoux, Tilton, Josephson, Kito; Chenault, Alternate

Resources: Nageak and Talerico, Co-chairs; Hawker, Vice Chair; Herron, Johnson, Olson, Seaton, Josephson, Tarr

Rules: Johnson, Chair; Olson, Vice Chair; Chenault, Hawker, Reinbold, Kreiss-Tomkins, Tuck

State Affairs: Lynn, Chair; Keller, Vice Chair; Talerico, Vazquez, Stutes, Gruenberg, Kreiss-Tomkins

Transportation: Foster and Hughes, Co-chairs; Millett, Nageak, Stutes, Claman, Ortiz

**HR 1**

House Special Committee on Economic Development, Tourism, and Arctic Policy: Herron, Chair; Johnson, Millett, Stutes, Tilton, Ortiz, Wool (pending passage of HR 1)

**HR 2**

House Special Committee on Energy: Colver and Vazquez, Co-chairs; Nageak, Talerico, Tilton, Claman, Wool (pending passage of HR 2)

**HR 3**

House Special Committee on Fisheries: Stutes, Chair; Foster, Herron, Johnson, Millett, Kreiss-Tomkins, Ortiz (pending passage of HR 3)

**HR 4**

House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs: Herron, Chair; Colver, Hughes, LeDoux, Lynn, Gruenberg, Tuck (pending passage of HR 4)

Administrative Regulation Review: Colver, Vice Chair; Hawker, Wool

Select Committee on Legislative Ethics: Millett, Tuck; Vazquez, Josephson, Alternates

Joint Armed Services: Reinbold, Co-chair; Keller, LeDoux, Lynn, Tarr

Legislative Budget and Audit: Hawker, Chair; Olson, Pruitt, Thompson, Kito; Neuman, Alternate

Legislative Council: Herron, Vice Chair; Chenault, Hawker, Johnson, Neuman, Reinbold, Kito; Thompson, Alternate

The report was signed by Representative Chenault, Chair; and Representatives Johnson, Millett, Neuman, Thompson, Gruenberg, and Tuck.

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adopt the Committee on Committees report. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would advance to:

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

In accordance with Uniform Rule 3, Representative Johnson nominated Suzi Lowell as Chief Clerk of the House for the Twenty-ninth Alaska State Legislature and moved and asked unanimous consent that the nominations be closed and Suzi Lowell be elected as Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Johnson introduced the following Clerk's staff:

Tisha Gieser	Jackie Schulz
Stephanie Hall	Kellen Priest
Londi Ensor	Nancy McMullen

Representative Johnson appointed Micaela Bradner as Sergeant-at-Arms of the House for the Twenty-ninth Alaska State Legislature.

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Representative Millett moved that the House confirm the appointments of Representatives Millett and Tuck and Representatives Vazquez and Josephson (Alternates) to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics.

The question being: "Shall the House confirm the appointments of Representatives Millett and Tuck and Representatives Vazquez and Josephson (Alternates) to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Select Committee on Legislative Ethics  
 Confirm - Representatives Millett and Tuck  
 Representatives Vazquez and Josephson, Alternates  
**YEAS: 38 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 2**

Yeas: Chenault, Claman, Colver, Edgmon, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Josephson, Kawasaki, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Reinbold, Saddler, Seaton, Stutes, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vazquez, Wilson, Wool

Absent: Drummond, Keller

And so, the appointments were confirmed.

The Chief Clerk notified the Senate.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would revert to:

### **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

A message dated January 8, 2015, was read stating under the provision of art. III, sec. 18, Constitution of the State of Alaska, the Governor requests the opportunity to address a joint session of the Twenty-ninth Alaska State Legislature on Wednesday, January 21 at 7:00 p.m. for presentation of the State of the State Address and on Thursday, January 22 at 7:00 p.m. for presentation of the State of the Budget Address.

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

#### **HR 1**

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1 by the House Rules Committee:

Establishing a House Special Committee on Economic Development, Tourism, and Arctic Policy.

was read the first time and is on today's calendar.

#### **HR 2**

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2 by the House Rules Committee:

Establishing a House Special Committee on Energy.

was read the first time and is on today's calendar.

**HR 3**

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 3 by the House Rules Committee:

Establishing a House Special Committee on Fisheries.

was read the first time and is on today's calendar.

**HR 4**

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4 by the House Rules Committee:

Establishing a House Special Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs.

was read the first time and is on today's calendar.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR****SECOND READING OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS****HR 1**

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1

Establishing a House Special Committee on Economic Development, Tourism, and Arctic Policy.

The following fiscal note was submitted by the Rules Committee:

1. Zero, House Rules Committee

The question being: "Shall HR 1 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HR 1

Second Reading

Final Passage

**YEAS: 40 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Chenault, Claman, Colver, Drummond, Edgmon, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Josephson, Kawasaki, Keller, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Reinbold, Saddler, Seaton, Stutes, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vazquez, Wilson, Wool

And so, HR 1 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment and enrollment.

## **HR 2**

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2  
Establishing a House Special Committee on Energy.

The following fiscal note was submitted by the Rules Committee:

1. Zero, House Rules Committee

The question being: "Shall HR 2 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HR 2

Second Reading

Final Passage

**YEAS: 40 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Chenault, Claman, Colver, Drummond, Edgmon, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Josephson, Kawasaki, Keller, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Reinbold, Saddler, Seaton, Stutes, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vazquez, Wilson, Wool

And so, HR 2 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment and enrollment.

**HR 3**

The following was read the second time:

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 3

Establishing a House Special Committee on Fisheries.

The following fiscal note was submitted by the Rules Committee:

1. Zero, House Rules Committee

The question being: "Shall HR 3 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HR 3

Second Reading

Final Passage

**YEAS: 40 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Chenault, Claman, Colver, Drummond, Edgmon, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Josephson, Kawasaki, Keller, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Reinbold, Saddler, Seaton, Stutes, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vazquez, Wilson, Wool

And so, HR 3 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment and enrollment.

**HR 4**

The following was read the second time:

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4

Establishing a House Special Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs.

The following fiscal note was submitted by the Rules Committee:

1. Zero, House Rules Committee

The question being: "Shall HR 4 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HR 4

Second Reading

Final Passage

**YEAS: 40 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Chenault, Claman, Colver, Drummond, Edgmon, Foster, Gara, Gattis, Gruenberg, Guttenberg, Hawker, Herron, Hughes, Johnson, Josephson, Kawasaki, Keller, Kito, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Lynn, Millett, Munoz, Nageak, Neuman, Olson, Ortiz, Pruitt, Reinbold, Saddler, Seaton, Stutes, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vazquez, Wilson, Wool

And so, HR 4 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment and enrollment.

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Representative Keller reported that the Senate was notified that the House is in session and ready to do business.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Representative Millett 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 Hawker – from 11:00 a.m., January 23 to 11:00 a.m., January 26

Representative Guttenberg – from 11:00 a.m., January 21 to midnight, January 25

The Speaker stated that the prefiled bills will be introduced tomorrow, and members have until 4:00 p.m., today to submit a joint prime sponsor request to the Chief Clerk's office.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., January 21, 2015. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Suzi Lowell  
Chief Clerk