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Fifty-sixth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Chenault at 11:01 a.m.

Roll call showed 40 members present.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, the Most Reverend Chad Zielinski, Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Fairbanks. Representative 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 this prayer.

Good and gracious God, we pause this day to offer thanks for the many blessings bestowed upon this great state and nation. I pray for our legislators who represent the minds and hearts of Alaskans, and as they are about their elected duties that they continue to work toward the common good of the entire human family protecting the rights of all.

We pause to recognize our women and men in uniform who this very day confront the evils of our world. May they know of our confident support, and know in the end as you have shown time and time again, the evil will always bow to the truth. And may we never take for granted the incredible freedom we enjoy in this great nation.

We ask this prayer in your most holy name, we pray. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Reinbold.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 52nd, 53rd, 54th, and 55th legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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Representative Wool introduced his daughter, Evelyn Wool, Guest Page, from Fairbanks.

Representative Seaton introduced Kaitlyn Johnson, Guest Page, from Homer.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters of disclosure, as required by AS 24.60, were published in House Journal Supplement No. 1 and Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 6.

The following were received:

Alaska Court System
Appellate & Trial Courts
2014 Time-To-Disposition Reports
(as required by AS 22.20.310)

Alaska Court System
Travel for Justices, Judges, and Magistrate Judges and Affidavit
Information, 2014
(as required by AS 22.20.310)

Alaska Judicial Council
Twenty-Seventh Report: 2013-2014
January 2015
(as required by art. IV, sec. 9, Constitution of the State of Alaska)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Judiciary Committee reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Craig Fleener

as Lieutenant Governor Successor.

The report was signed by Representative LeDoux, Chair; and Representatives Claman, Lynn, Keller, and Foster.

HB 132

The Resources Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 132

"An Act relating to the support of the Alaska liquefied natural gas project by the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 132(RES)

"An Act relating to the purpose, powers, and duties of the Alaska Gasline Development Corporation related to the Alaska liquefied natural gas project and an in-state natural gas pipeline; relating to the in-state natural gas pipeline fund; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Nageak and Talerico, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (6): Johnson, Herron, Hawker, Olson, Nageak, Talerico

Do not pass (1): Josephson

No recommendation (2): Tarr, Seaton

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 132(RES):

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

HB 132 was referred to the Labor & Commerce Committee.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The following report of the Committee on Committees dated March 16, 2015, was received submitting amendments to the January 20 report (page 10). The amendments follow:

Education Committee: Talerico replaces Reinbold; Vazquez, Vice Chair

Judiciary Committee: Olson, Alternate

Rules Committee: Herron replaces Reinbold

HR 4

House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs: LeDoux, Vice Chair

Joint Armed Services Committee: Saddler replaces Reinbold; LeDoux, Co-chair

Legislative Council: Millett replaces Reinbold

Committee on Committees: Herron, 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.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

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

Honoring - Phi-Alpha of Tau Kappa Epsilon, Alaska Chapter
By Representative Tilton

Honoring - Top 40 under 40 - 2015 Recipients from Kodiak
By Senator Stevens; Representative Stutes

In Memoriam - Terry Edward Shaff
By Representative Edgmon

In Memoriam - Terry Onslow
By Representative Hawker

In Memoriam - Jeff Dusenbury
By Representatives Millett, Claman; Senator Meyer

In Memoriam - Emily Rose Waste
By Senator Egan; Representatives Kito, Munoz

In Memoriam - Eugene Lee Prewitt
By Senator Stedman; Representative Kreiss-Tomkins

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HCR 9

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 by Representative
MILLETT:

Proclaiming April 19, 2015, as Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia
Action Day.

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

HJR 18

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18 by Representative MILLETT:

Urging the United States Congress to pass the Improved National
Monument Designation Process Act.

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

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

HB 147

HOUSE BILL NO. 147 by Representatives VAZQUEZ, Gruenberg, LeDoux, Lynn, Drummond, Edgmon, Guttenberg, Josephson, Ortiz, Tarr, and Tuck, entitled:

"An Act relating to the investigation of cruelty to animals complaints; relating to the seizure of animals; relating to the destruction of animals; relating to a bond or security posted for the costs of care for an animal; relating to the inclusion of an animal in a protective order and the crimes and arrests for violating that protective order; and relating to the ownership of an animal upon divorce."

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

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 Lynn – from 8:00 a.m., March 19 to 8:00 a.m., March 24

Representative Pruitt – from 6:00 p.m., March 20 to 10:00 p.m., March 22

Representative Wool – from noon, March 20 to 10:15 a.m., March 23

Representative Reinbold – from:
10:00 a.m., March 19 to 7:00 a.m., March 20
noon, March 20 to 10:00 p.m., March 22

Representative Foster – from noon, March 19 to 11:00 a.m., March 23

Representative Vazquez – from noon, March 20 to 10:30 p.m.,
March 22

HCR 5

The Speaker waived the Finance Committee referral for the following at the request of Representative Thompson, Co-chair:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5

Declaring 2015, 2016, and 2017 to be the Years of the Arctic; encouraging the state and its partners to join the Institute of the North; and encouraging the state to promote its Arctic policy during the Years of the Arctic and to take action to address the strategic recommendations in the Arctic Policy and Implementation Plan of the Alaska Arctic Policy Commission.

HCR 5 was removed from the Finance Committee and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

SB 6

The Speaker added a Finance Committee referral for the following:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 6(FIN)

"An Act exempting the state from daylight saving time; petitioning the United States Department of Transportation to change the time zones of Alaska; and providing for an effective date."

CSSB 6(FIN) is in the State Affairs Committee.

HB 115

Representatives Thompson, Neuman, and Saddler added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 115

"An Act relating to the transfer of public land from the federal government to the state and to the disposal of that land; and providing for an effective date."

HB 72

The following, which was engrossed and signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk (page 481), was transmitted to the Senate for consideration:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 72(FIN)

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

HB 73

The following, which was engrossed and signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk (page 481), was transmitted to the Senate for consideration:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 73(FIN)

"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."

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., March 18, 2015. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

Suzi Lowell
Chief Clerk