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FIRST SESSION

Juneau, Alaska Thursday January 22, 2015

Third Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Meyer at 11:01 a.m. The Senate was convened for the purpose of a technical session.

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call of the Senate be waived. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Communications

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

Report to the State 2015
from Bill O'Leary, President and CEO
Alaska Railroad Corporation
Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development
in accordance with AS 42.40.260

Annual Report 2014
from John Burns, Chairman
Alaska Gasline Development Corporation
in accordance with AS 31.25.270

Basic Financial Statements, Year Ended June 30, 2014
Alaska Gasline Development Corporation
in accordance with AS 31.25.140(c)(3)

2013 Annual Report
from Stan Leaphart, Executive Director
Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Areas
Department of Natural Resources
in accordance with AS 41.37.220(f)

Building Alaska 2014 Annual Report
from Franklin C. Roppel, Chair and
Bryan D. Butcher, CEO/Executive Director
Alaska Housing Finance Corporation
in accordance with AS 18.56.089

Transforming Health Care in Alaska: 2014 Annual Report of the
Alaska Health Care Commission and 2010-2014 Strategic Plan Update
from Jay C. Butler, Chair and Deborah Erickson, Executive Director
Department of Health and Social Services
in accordance with AS 18.09.070(c)

2014 Status Report on Health Information Exchange in Alaska
from Beth Davidson, Health Information Technologies Deputy
Department of Health & Social Services
in accordance with AS 18.23.315

Alaska Sustainable Energy Act Annual Report 2014
from Patrick J. Kemp, Acting Commissioner
Department of Transportation and Public Facilities
in accordance with AS 44.42.067(d)

Report of 2014 Charitable Contributions through Permanent Fund
Dividends
from Sara Race, Permanent Fund Dividend Director
Department of Revenue
in accordance with AS 43.23.062(j)

2015 Report of the Alaska Minerals Commission
from Karl Hanneman, Chairman
Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development
in accordance with AS 44.33.431

Susitna-Watana Hydro Report to the Legislature 2014
from Sara Fisher-Goad, Executive Director, Alaska Energy Authority
Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development
in accordance with AS 44.83.085

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Recess

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess to the Joint Session. Without objection, the Senate recessed at 11:05 a.m.

After Recess

Joint Session in the House

Speaker Chenault called the House to order and in accordance with Uniform Rule 51 turned the gavel over to President Meyer, 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 Budget Address by the Honorable Bill Walker, Governor.

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call of the Senate be waived and all members be shown as present. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Millett moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call of the House be waived and all members be shown as present. Without objection, it was so ordered.

President Meyer appointed Representative Wilson and Senator Hoffman to escort Governor Walker to the Joint Session.

The Senate Sergeant-at-Arms, Grace Ellsworth, announced the Governor's entrance to the House Chamber.

The Honorable Bill Walker was escorted to the rostrum and welcomed by President Meyer.

Governor Walker delivered his address. This address appears in House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 2.

Governor Walker received a standing ovation and was escorted from the chamber by Senator Hoffman and Representative Wilson.

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the Joint Session stand in adjournment. Without objection, President Meyer adjourned the Joint Session at 7:30 p.m.

After Recess

In the Senate

The Senate reconvened at 7:38 p.m.

Adjournment

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 10:00 a.m., January 23, 2015. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Liz Clark
Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Jan 27 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Jan 29 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

EDUCATION

Jan 27 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 No Meeting

Jan 29 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 +
 Presentation: Role of the State Board of Education, Presentation: Federal Grant Programs and Corresponding Mandates
 Mike Hanley, Commissioner, Department of Education and Early Development
 Susan McCauley, Director, Teaching and Learning Support, DEED

FINANCE

Jan 22 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 +
 Presentation: Overview FY16 Operating and Capital Budgets, David Teal, Director, Legislative Finance Division
 Committee Contracts: Angel Rodell and Bill Streur

FINANCE (continued)

Jan 23 +	Friday Presentation: Overview FY16 Operating and Capital Budgets Pat Pitney, Director, Office of Management and Budget Presentation: Fall 2014 Forecast Randall Hoffbeck, Commissioner-Designee Department of Revenue	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
Jan 26	Monday No Meeting Scheduled	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
Jan 27 +	Tuesday Presentation: Oil and Gas Tax Credits Janak Mayer and Nikos Tsafos, Legislative Budget & Audit Consultants, enalytica	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
Jan 28 +	Wednesday Presentation: Alaska Energy Authority Sara Fisher-Goad, Executive Director, AEA	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
Jan 29 +	Thursday Presentation: Mental Health Trust FY16 Budget Jeff Jesse, CEO, Alaska Mental Health Trust Mike Barton, Board President	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
Jan 30 +	Friday Presentation: AGDC Projects Update Joe Dubler, Vice President, Commercial Operations Frank Richards, Vice President of Engineering and Program Management Miles Baker, Vice President of External Affairs & Government Affairs, Alaska Gasline Development Corporation	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Jan 26	Monday No Meetings Scheduled	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
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HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES (continued)

Jan 28 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 No Meetings Scheduled

Jan 30 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 No Meetings Scheduled

JUDICIARY

Jan 26 Monday Butrovich 205 1:00 PM
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Joint with House Judiciary
 + Senate Bill:
 Criminal Misconduct Relating to Marijuana
 <Pending Introduction & Referral>

Jan 28 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Senate Bill:
 Criminal Misconduct Relating to Marijuana
 <Pending Introduction & Referral>

Jan 30 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 + Senate Bill:
 Criminal Misconduct Relating to Marijuana
 <Pending Introduction & Referral>

LABOR & COMMERCE

Jan 27 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 + Overview: Department of Administration
 Commissioner Sheldon Fischer
 Overview: Department of Commerce, Community &
 Economic Development
 Commissioner Fred Parady

Jan 29 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 + Overview: Department of Labor & Workforce
 Development
 Commissioner Heidi Drygas

RESOURCES

- Jan 23** **Friday** **Butrovich 205** **3:30 PM**
 Update from the Office of the Federal Pipeline Coordinator
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
- Jan 26** **Monday** **Butrovich 205** **3:30 PM**
 + Overview on Confidentiality Procedures in State Agencies
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
- Jan 28** **Wednesday** **Butrovich 205** **3:30 PM**
 + Overview on Status of Alaska LNG Project by enalytica
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
- Jan 30** **Friday** **Butrovich 205** **3:30 PM**
 + Alaska LNG Project Update
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

STATE AFFAIRS

- Jan 22** **Thursday** **Butrovich 205** **9:00 AM**
 Overview: Ballot Measure No. 2 (13PSUM) - An Act to Tax and Regulate the Production, Sale, and Use of Marijuana
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
- Jan 27** **Tuesday** **Butrovich 205** **9:00 AM**
 + Presentation by Executive Branch Representatives
 Marijuana Ballot Measure - Discussion of Implementation / Administration Perspective
 - Department of Revenue
 - Department of Public Safety
 - Department of Law
 - Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
 - Department of Environmental Conservation
 Marijuana Ballot Measure: Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Perspective
 - Jeff Jessee, Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority

STATE AFFAIRS (continued)

Jan 29 **Thursday** **Butrovich 205** **9:00 AM**
 + "Marijuana Ballot Measure - Discussion of
 Implementation / Administration Perspective"
 -- Continued from: 1/27/15 --
 <May Change, Subject to Presenter Availability>
 <Topics Previously Heard / Scheduled>

TRANSPORTATION

Jan 22 **Thursday** **Senate Finance 532** **1:00 PM**
 + Joint w/ House Transportation
 Overview of the Alaska Marine Highway System
 (AMHS) Report to the Legislature Presented by
 Matt McLaren, Business Development and Enterprise
 Manager, AMHS and Captain Falvey,
 General Manager, AMHS
 + Discussion on Status of Projects:
 - Road to Ambler Mining District
 - Juneau Access Road
 - The Susitna Watana Hydro Project
 - Knik Arm Bridge
 - The Alaska Stand Alone Pipeline
 - The Kodiak Launch Complex

Jan 27 **Tuesday** **Butrovich 205** **1:00 PM**
 No Meeting Scheduled

Jan 29 **Thursday** **Butrovich 205** **1:00 PM**
 No Meeting Scheduled

SPECIAL COMMITTEES**SPECIAL CMTE ON THE ARCTIC**

Jan 22 **Thursday** **Fahrenkamp 203** **10:45 AM**
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Joint Meeting with House Economic Development,
 Tourism, and Arctic Policy
 Pacific Northwest Economic Region: How to
 Capitalize on Arctic Council Transition;
 Arctic Caucus Planning Discussions

JOINT COMMITTEES**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

Jan 27	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	5:00 PM
+	Committee Organization Committee Policies Approval of Minutes Other Committee Business		

OTHER MEETINGS**JOINT SESSION**

Jan 22	Thursday	House Chamber	7:00 PM
	State of the Budget Address by the Honorable Bill Walker, Governor of Alaska		
Feb 11	Wednesday	House Chamber	11:00 AM
	State of the Judiciary Address by the Honorable Dana Fabe, Chief Justice		
Feb 18	Wednesday	House Chamber	11:00 AM
	Annual Address by the Honorable Lisa Murkowski, U.S. Senator		