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Monday

January 26, 2015

Seventh Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Meyer at 11:06 a.m.

The roll showed thirteen members present. Senators Bishop, Dunleavy, Ellis, Hoffman, Kelly, MacKinnon, Micciche were absent.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Beverly Smith of the Christian Science Church. Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

I would like to begin the prayer today with a verse from Psalms 119:28:

Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold
wondrous things out of thy law.

Dear God,

Open our eyes to see that your law is good. Open our eyes to see clearly the path to do your will. When we listen for your voice and follow your guidance, we can be confident that you will bless us and all Alaskans.

Dear Father,

We are your children. Help us to recognize your righteous government. Give us the courage to abide by your laws, and to reject any suggestions that the problems we face are too big and too complicated to be solved.

We acknowledge that you are infinite ever-present, omnipotent divine Love. You know our needs. Give us the humility to put aside any personal agenda, be still, and listen for your perfect solution that will bless us all.

In closing, I offer another verse from Psalms 71:8:

Let my mouth be filled with thy praise and with
thy honor all the day.

Amen.

Senator Costello led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the fourth through sixth legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Resolutions

SCR 3

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3 BY SENATORS
STOLTZE, Dunleavy,

Designating January 25 - 31, 2015, as Alaska School
Choice Week.

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

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills

SB 4

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 4 BY
SENATOR GIESSEL, entitled:

"An Act relating to financial disclosures required of legislators, legislative directors, public members of the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics, and public officials."

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

SB 31

SENATE BILL NO. 31 BY SENATOR GARDNER, entitled:

"An Act relating to sexual abuse and sexual assault awareness and prevention efforts in public schools."

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

Consideration of the Calendar**Citations**

In Memoriam - Richard Dauenhauer
Representative(s) Kito, Munoz
Senator(s) Egan, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, 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.

Unfinished Business

Senator Huggins moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from afternoon plane time, February 6 through evening plane time, February 8. Without objection, Senator Huggins was excused.

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that Senator Olson be excused from a call of the Senate from morning plane time, January 28 through evening plane time, January 28. Without objection, Senator Olson was excused.

SCR 3

Senators Giessel, Coghill, Huggins moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3 Designating January 25 - 31, 2015, as Alaska School Choice Week. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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., January 28, 2015. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:26 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

Jan 27	Tuesday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
Jan 29	Thursday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM

EDUCATION

Jan 27	Tuesday No Meeting	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
Jan 29 +	Thursday 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	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM

FINANCE

Jan 26	Monday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
	-- Continued from 01/23/15 --		
+	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		
Jan 27	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	Presentation: Oil and Gas Tax Credits		
	Janak Mayer and Nikos Tsafos, Legislative Budget & Audit Consultants, analytica		
Jan 28	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	Presentation: Alaska Energy Authority		
	Sara Fisher-Goad, Executive Director, AEA		
Jan 29	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	Presentation: Mental Health Trust FY16 Budget		
	Jeff Jesse, CEO, Alaska Mental Health Trust		
	Mike Barton, Board President		
Jan 30	Friday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	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		

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Jan 26	Monday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
	No Meetings Scheduled		
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

Joint with House Judiciary

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

+ SB 30 MARIJUANA REG;CONT. SUBST;CRIMES;DEFENSES

Jan 28 Wednesday Capitol 120 1:00 PM

-- Time and Location Change --

Joint with House Judiciary

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

+ = SB 30 MARIJUANA REG;CONT. SUBST;CRIMES;DEFENSES

HB 79 MARIJUANA REG;CONT. SUBST;CRIMES;DEFENSES

Jan 30 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM

-- Meeting Postponed to Monday 2/2/2015 --

+ = SB 30 MARIJUANA REG;CONT. SUBST;CRIMES;DEFENSES

-- Public Testimony --

Feb 02 Monday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM

-- Rescheduled from 01/30/15 --

+ = SB 30 MARIJUANA REG;CONT. SUBST;CRIMES;DEFENSES

-- Public Testimony --

LABOR & COMMERCE

Jan 27 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM

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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

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Overview: Department of Labor & Workforce

Development

Commissioner Heidi Drygas

RESOURCES

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

STATE AFFAIRS

Jan 27 +	Tuesday Presentation by Executive Branch Representatives: Marijuana Ballot Measure - Discussion of Implementation / Administration Perspective - Cynthia Franklin, ABC Executive Director DCCED - Kaci Schroeder, Special Assistant / Criminal Liaison, Department of Law - Harriet Milks, Attorney IV, Department of Law - Ken Alper, Director, Tax Division, Department of Revenue - Jerry Burnett, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Revenue - Major Dennis Casanovas, Alaska State Troopers Department of Public Safety - Jay Butler, Chief Medical Officer / Director Division of Public Health, DHSS Elaine Busse Floyd, Director of Division of Environmental Health, DEC (Phone / Questions Only) Marijuana Ballot Measure: Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Perspective - Jeff Jessee, Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority	Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
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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 27	Tuesday	Butrovich 205	1:00 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Jan 29	Thursday	Butrovich 205	1:00 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

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**

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		