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Eighty-seventh Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Meyer at 11:07 a.m.

The roll showed nineteen members present. Senator McGuire was absent.

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

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Senator Huggins. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Our Most Precious Heavenly Father,

We thank Thee for bringing us here today. And Father we ask not for the blessings on what we do, but we ask for your blessings on the wisdoms as we approach things. And Father, this month we've observed Easter – the death, the rising of your son for our benefit and forgiveness for our sins.

Father, as we look around the world, it's in turmoil. It's difficult. Our challenges are small in comparison to what we can see on a daily basis that people are suffering. What we ask of you is guidance, assistance in understanding of all the peoples of the world. Let us do our small part in helping, providing solutions and facilitating.

And Father, finally, I would ask you to bless the families of all Alaska, our country, and across the world, but particularly the families of the people that are before you here today on this floor. We ask not for the recognition of the sacrifices of these people, but the forgiveness of their sins. Amen.

Senator Egan led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the eighty-sixth legislative day be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the Governor

Letter dated April 15 was read stating in accordance with AS 16.05.221 and art. III, sec. 26 of the Alaska Constitution, I submit the following name for legislative confirmation of appointment to the position noted:

Board of Education and Early Development

John T. Harmon – Palmer

Appointed: 4/15/2015

Term Expires: 3/1/2020

The appointment was referred to the Education Committee.

The resume for this appointment has been submitted to the Offices of the Senate Secretary and the Chief Clerk.

Executive Proclamation

Under the authority of Article III, Sections 16 and 17 of the Alaska Constitution, I hereby convene the House and the Senate into joint session during the First Regular Session of the Twenty-Ninth Legislature of the State of Alaska at Juneau, Alaska, in the legislative chambers on Friday, April 17, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. to act on my

appointments presented for department heads, boards, and commissions under Article III, Sections 25 and 26 of the Alaska Constitution.

Dated at Juneau, Alaska this 15th day of April, 2015.

/s/

Bill Walker
Governor

Messages from the House

HB 5

Message dated April 15 was read stating the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 5 "An Act relating to the persons who may be appointed conservators of a protected person" thus adopting:

SENATE CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5(JUD) "An Act relating to the persons who may be appointed guardians of incapacitated persons or conservators of protected persons." (Title Change SCR 11)

SJR 13

Message dated April 15 was read stating the House has adopted the report of the Conference Committee considering CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13(RES) and CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13(RES) am H, thus adopting the Senate version of the resolution:

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13(RES) Supporting oil and gas exploration and development on the outer continental shelf offshore of the state; opposing attempts to prohibit future oil and gas development in the Beaufort and the Chukchi Seas, including the Hanna Shoal area; and requesting that the federal Administration cease and desist from restrictions that adversely affect active or future leases in high petroleum potential areas in the Beaufort and Chukchi Seas, including the Hanna Shoal area.

The resolution was referred to the Secretary for engrossment and enrollment.

SCR 11

Message dated April 15 was read stating the House passed and returned:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11
Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e),
Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature,
concerning House Bill No. 5, relating to the persons
who may be appointed conservators of a protected
person.

The resolution was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

HJR 18

Message dated April 15 was read stating the House concurred in the Senate amendment to CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18(RES), thus adopting:

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE JOINT
RESOLUTION NO. 18(RES) Urging the United
States Congress to pass the Improved National
Monument Designation Process Act.

HCR 3

Message dated April 15 was read stating the House concurred in the Senate amendments to CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3(RLS) Urging the governor and the attorney general to pursue all legal and legislative options to open the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and areas of the Chukchi and Beaufort Seas to oil and gas exploration, development, and production, thus adopting:

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE
CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3(JUD) am S
Urging the governor and the attorney general to
pursue all legal and legislative options to open the
coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge

and areas of the Chukchi and Beaufort Seas to oil and gas exploration, development, and production; and urging the governor and the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee to work with the United States Congress to enact measures necessary to prevent President Barack Obama and federal agencies from implementing regulations that place landscape characteristic restrictions on the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge that are equivalent to the restrictions placed on land given a wilderness designation.

Message dated April 16 was read stating:

The House of Representatives respectfully invites the Senate to a Joint Session of the Twenty-ninth Alaska Legislature at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 19 for the purpose of considering the Governor's appointments.

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate accept the House invitation to meet in Joint Session. Senator Gardner objected.

The question being: "Shall the Senate accept the House invitation to meet in Joint Session?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Accept House Invitation to Meet in Joint Session?

YEAS: 14 NAYS: 5 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze

Nays: Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Olson, Wielechowski

Excused: McGuire

and so, the Senate accepted the House invitation to meet in Joint Session.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

Messages dated April 11 were read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 105

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 105(FIN) BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to the programs and bonds of the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority; relating to the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority sustainable energy transmission and supply development fund; requiring the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to deliver to the legislature reports relating to the Interior energy project; relating to the financing authorization through the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority of a liquefied natural gas production plant and natural gas energy projects and distribution systems in the state; amending and repealing bond authorizations granted to the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority; authorizing the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to issue bonds to finance the infrastructure and construction costs of the Sweetheart Lake hydroelectric project; authorizing the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to issue bonds to finance the infrastructure and construction costs of rebuilding transmission between the Hope substation and Portage, rebuilding transmission between Powerline Pass to Indian, and the Eklutna hydroelectric transmission system upgrade project; relating to legislative approval for loans from the power project fund to the City of King Cove; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 123

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 123(JUD) am BY THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act establishing the Marijuana Control Board; relating to the powers and duties of the Marijuana Control Board; relating to the appointment, removal, and duties of the director of the Marijuana Control Board; relating to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce and Finance Committees.

HB 137

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 137(FIN) am BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act raising certain fees related to sport fishing, hunting, and trapping; relating to the fish and game fund; providing for the repeal of the sport fishing surcharge and sport fishing facility revenue bonds; replacing the permanent sport fishing, hunting, or trapping identification card for certain residents with an identification card valid for three years; relating to hunting and fishing by proxy; relating to fish and game conservation decals; raising the age of eligibility for a sport fishing, hunting, or trapping license exemption for state residents; raising the age at which a state resident is required to obtain a license for sport fishing, hunting, or trapping; and providing for an effective date."

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

Concur Messages

SB 33

Message dated April 15 was read stating the House passed and returned for consideration SENATE BILL NO. 33 "An Act relating to remittance of tire fees; and providing for an effective date" with the following amendment:

HOUSE CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 33(FIN)

Senator Coghill moved that the Senate concur in the House amendment.

The question being: "Shall the Senate concur in the House amendment?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS SB 33(FIN)

Shall the Senate Concur in the House

Amendment to SB 33? Effective Date

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Excused: McGuire

and so, the Senate concurred in the House amendment, thus adopting HOUSE CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 33(FIN) "An Act relating to remittance of tire fees; and providing for an effective date."

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the vote on concurrence be considered the vote on the effective date clause. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

Standing Committee Reports

SB 50

The Resources Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 50 "An Act relating to the programs and bonds of the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority; related to the financing authorization through the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority of a liquefied natural gas production plant and natural gas energy projects and distribution systems in the state; amending and repealing bond authorizations granted to the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 50(RES) "An Act amending the definition of 'qualified energy development'; relating to the financing authorization through the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority of a liquefied natural gas production plant and natural gas energy projects and distribution systems in the state; requiring the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to deliver to the legislature reports relating to the Interior energy project; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Giessel, Chair; Senators Costello, Coghill, Micciche. Signing no recommendation: Senators Stedman, Stoltze.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

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

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 74

The State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 74 "An Act relating to permanent fund dividends; relating to a medical assistance reform program; establishing a personal health savings account program for medical assistance recipients; relating to the duties of the Department of Health and Social Services; establishing medical assistance demonstration projects; and relating to a study by the Department of Health and Social Services" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 74(STA) "An Act relating to competitive bidding for medical assistance products and services; relating to verification of eligibility for public assistance programs administered by the Department of Health and Social Services; relating to eligibility for medical assistance; relating to a medical assistance reform program; relating to the duties of the Department of Health and Social Services; establishing medical assistance

demonstration projects; relating to civil penalties for medical assistance fraud; relating to studies by the Department of Health and Social Services; relating to cost-containment measures for medical assistance; and providing for an effective date."

Signing no recommendation: Senator Stoltze, Chair; Senator Huggins.
Signing do pass: Senator Coghill. Signing amend: Senator Wielechowski.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 15, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 16, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 17, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 18, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 19, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 20, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 21, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 22, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 23, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 24, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 25, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 26, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 27, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 28, Department of Health and Social Services

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 14, zero, Department of Commerce, Community
and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 135

The State Affairs Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 135 "An Act establishing a Roth contribution program for the public employees' deferred compensation program; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Stoltze, Chair; Senators Huggins, Wielechowski, Coghill.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Administration

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 146

The Finance Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 146(CRA) "An Act relating to a municipal tax exemption for certain subdivided property" and recommended the adoption of the Community and Regional Affairs Senate Committee Substitute offered on page 924. Signing no recommendation: Senator MacKinnon, Cochair; Senators Dunleavy, Olson. Signing do pass: Senators Micciche, Bishop, Hoffman.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SJR 18

The Resources Committee considered SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18 Supporting the leases issued by the United States Department of the Interior to Royal Dutch Shell in the Chukchi and Beaufort Seas; urging the Governor of the State of Washington, the Seattle City Council, and other public officials in the State of Washington to refrain from destructive attacks on the economy, jobs, and lives of the people of this state and the State of Washington and to look first at closing the Boeing production facilities to reduce emissions of carbon dioxide from commercial activity; inviting Royal Dutch Shell to use a port in this state as the homeport of its Arctic drilling fleet if the lease with the Port of Seattle is terminated; and requesting that the Alaska Congressional delegation support restricting the Export-Import Bank of the United States to lending only to small businesses, and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION
NO. 18(RES)

Signing do pass: Senator Giessel, Chair; Senators Costello, Coghill, Micciche, Stedman, Stoltze.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Senate Resources Committee

The resolution was referred to the Rules Committee.

HJR 24

The Resources Committee considered HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 24 Urging the federal government to honor its commitments to transfer land to the state; and urging the United States Secretary of the Interior and the United States Congress to adhere to the recommendations of the United States Department of the Interior in its 2006 report under the Alaska Land Transfer Acceleration Act, including lifting withdrawals. Signing do pass: Senator Giessel, Chair; Senators Costello, Coghill, Micciche, Stedman, Stoltze.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Legislative Agency

The resolution was referred to the Rules Committee.

**Introduction and Reference of
Senate Resolutions****SCR 14**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 14 BY THE SENATE COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE,

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No. 75, relating to the registration of marijuana establishments by municipalities; relating to the definition of "marijuana"; clarifying standards for personal use of marijuana by persons 21 years of age or older; prohibiting the public consumption of marijuana; authorizing the registration of marijuana clubs; and relating to established villages and to local option elections regarding the operation of marijuana establishments.

was read the first time and held on the Secretary's desk.

SCR 15

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15 BY THE SENATE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE,

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No. 26, extending the termination date of the Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives.

was read the first time and held on the Secretary's desk.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills**SB 111**

SENATE BILL NO. 111 BY SENATOR WIELECHOWSKI, entitled:

"An Act relating to flame retardants and to the manufacture, distribution, and sale of products containing flame retardants; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce and Judiciary Committees.

SB 112

SENATE BILL NO. 112 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act establishing procedures related to a petition for adoption of a child in state custody; adding a definition of 'proxy for a formal petition'; amending Rule 6(a), Alaska Adoption Rules; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Health and Social Services and Judiciary Committees.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

Governor's transmittal letter dated April 15:

Dear President Meyer:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill that would allow adoption of a child in State custody as a child in need of aid to be filed and heard as a child-in-need-of-aid proceeding. Additionally, the bill would allow for more flexibility in the form of the petition for adoption.

Under current law, a person seeking to adopt a child who is in the custody of the Department of Health and Social Services (Department) must file a formal petition for adoption under AS 25.23.080 and have the adoption hearing heard in a probate proceeding separate from the child-in-need-of-aid proceeding under AS 47.10, despite the unique nature of child-in-need-of-aid cases. The bill would ensure that proceedings for the adoption of a child adjudicated to be in need of aid to be filed and heard in the existing child-in-need-of-aid proceeding. This would more fully protect the child, and those wishing to adopt the child and would save resources by keeping the child-in-need-of-aid proceeding and the adoption as one court matter. Second, the bill would allow filing of a proxy for a formal petition to better address the needs of Native and non-Native families by setting out in statute alternatives to formal petitions to adopt currently required by State law.

The bill would allow use of a proxy for a formal petition to adopt; the proxy could be filed by a child's relative, tribal member, or other Indian family. A tribal member or relative also could make the request to the Department by telephone, mail, facsimile, electronic mail, or in person. Last, a proxy for a formal petition could be made by the child's tribe or by a tribe in which the child would be eligible to be enrolled. The Department also would have authority to develop regulations to address other instances where a proxy for a formal petition to adopt should be allowed.

These changes would benefit our most vulnerable children by assuring that adoption proceedings for children in need of aid are conducted in the manner most beneficial to Alaska's children and their families.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

/s/

Bill Walker
Governor

Consideration of the Calendar

Second Reading of Senate Bills

SB 32

SENATE BILL NO. 32 "An Act relating to the sale of timber on state land; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Giessel, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Resources Committee Substitute offered on page 330. Senator Gardner objected, then withdrew her objection. There being no further objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 32(RES) was adopted.

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 32(RES) will advance to third reading on the April 17 calendar.

SB 46

SENATE BILL NO. 46 "An Act relating to the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority; authorizing the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority to issue bonds or notes for a regional health organization; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator MacKinnon, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Finance Committee Substitute offered on page 1002. Senator Gardner objected, then withdrew her objection. There being no further objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 46(FIN) "An Act relating to the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority; authorizing the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority to issue bonds or notes for a regional health organization or joint action agency; and providing for an effective date" was adopted.

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.

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 46(FIN) was read the third time.

Senators Olson, Ellis, Wielechowski, Stedman, Egan, Bishop, Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on the bill. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 46(FIN) "An Act relating to the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority; authorizing the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority to issue bonds or notes for a regional health organization or joint action agency; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 46(FIN)

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Excused: McGuire

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 46(FIN) 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.

SB 53

SENATE BILL NO. 53 "An Act relating to advanced practice registered nursing; relating to certified direct-entry midwifery; 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. 53 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SENATE BILL NO. 53 "An Act relating to advanced practice registered nursing; relating to certified direct-entry midwifery; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 53

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Excused: McGuire

and so, SENATE BILL NO. 53 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.

Reconsideration of Senate Bills

SB 46

Senator Hoffman gave notice of reconsideration on CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 46(FIN) and moved and asked unanimous consent that it be taken up. Without objection, it was so ordered and the bill was before the Senate on reconsideration.

The question to be reconsidered: "Shall CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 46(FIN) "An Act relating to the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority; authorizing the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority to issue bonds or notes for a regional health organization or joint action agency; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 46(FIN)

Third Reading - On Reconsideration

Effective Date

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Excused: McGuire

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 46(FIN) passed the Senate on reconsideration.

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.

Second Reading of House Bills

HB 46

HOUSE BILL NO. 46 "An Act relating to membership in the Alaska Workforce Investment Board" was read the second time.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 46 was read the third time.

Senators Wielechowski, Costello, Ellis, Coghill, Stevens, Micciche, Bishop, Egan, MacKinnon, Stedman, Gardner, Dunleavy, Kelly moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on the bill. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall HOUSE BILL NO. 46 "An Act relating to membership in the Alaska Workforce Investment Board" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 46

Third Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Excused: McGuire

and so, HOUSE BILL NO. 46 passed the Senate, was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

Recess

President Meyer stated the Senate would stand in recess to a call of the Chair. There being no objection, the Senate recessed at 12:06 p.m.

After Recess

The Senate reconvened at 1:37 p.m.

Second Reading of House Bills (continued)

HB 140

HOUSE BILL NO. 140 "An Act authorizing the Alaska Railroad Corporation to issue revenue bonds to finance a positive train control rail transportation safety project that qualifies for federal financial participation; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 140 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall HOUSE BILL NO. 140 "An Act authorizing the Alaska Railroad Corporation to issue revenue bonds to finance a positive train control rail transportation safety project that qualifies for federal financial participation; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 140

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Excused: McGuire

and so, HOUSE BILL NO. 140 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 signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

HB 149

HOUSE BILL NO. 149 am "An Act relating to an amendment of the articles of incorporation of certain Native corporations to establish a lower quorum requirement for shareholder meetings" was read the second time.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 149 am was read the third time.

Senator Dunleavy moved and asked unanimous consent to abstain from voting due to a conflict of interest. Senator Coghill objected and Senator Dunleavy was required to vote.

The question being: "Shall HOUSE BILL NO. 149 am "An Act relating to an amendment of the articles of incorporation of certain Native corporations to establish a lower quorum requirement for shareholder meetings" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 149 am
Third Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 18 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Nays: Kelly

Excused: McGuire

and so, HOUSE BILL NO. 149 am passed the Senate, was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

HB 161

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 161(HSS) "An Act relating to the purchase of durable medical equipment under Medicaid; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

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

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 161(HSS) was read the third time.

Senators Wielechowski, Coghill, Stevens, Bishop, Egan, Giessel, MacKinnon, Meyer moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on the bill. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 161(HSS) "An Act relating to the purchase of durable medical equipment under Medicaid; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 161(HSS)
 Third Reading - Final Passage
 Effective Date

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Excused: McGuire

and so, CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 161(HSS) 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 signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

Third Reading of Senate Bills

SB 58

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 58(STA) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 58(STA) "An Act relating to transportation network companies and drivers; relating to transportation network company and driver automobile insurance; relating to workers' compensation for horse carriage services and transportation network company drivers; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 58(STA)
 Third Reading - Final Passage
 Effective Dates

YEAS: 18 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Nays: Ellis

Excused: McGuire

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 58(STA) 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 clauses. Without objection, it was so ordered and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

Third Reading of House Bills

HB 153

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 153(RES) was read the third time.

Senator Costello moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cross sponsor on the bill. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 153(RES) "An Act expanding the Palmer Hay Flats State Game Refuge" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 153(RES)

Third Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Excused: McGuire

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 153(RES) passed the Senate.

Senator Huggins gave notice of reconsideration.

Citations

Honoring - Filipino Community of Anchorage, Alaska Inc. 50th Annual Founders Day Banquet and Ball

Senator(s) Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Honoring - Joyce Anderson

Senator(s) Gardner, McGuire, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Wielechowski

Representative(s) Tuck

Honoring - Jualani "Nani" Ostrom

Senator(s) Meyer, Egan, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

Honoring - Dallas and Mitch Seavey

Senator(s) Dunleavy, Huggins, Stoltze, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Wielechowski

Representative(s) Keller, Hughes, Tilton, Gattis, Neuman, Colver

Honoring - Abe Aulbach

Representative(s) Kreiss-Tomkins

Senator(s) Stedman, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stevens, Wielechowski

Honoring - Ed Conway

Representative(s) Kreiss-Tomkins

Senator(s) Stedman, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stevens, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Roberta Sheldon

Senator(s) Dunleavy, Huggins, Stoltze, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Kelly, MacKinnon, McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Wielechowski

Representative(s) Keller, Hughes, Tilton, Gattis, Neuman, Colver

In Memoriam - Agnes Johnson
Representative(s) Kreiss-Tomkins
Senator(s) Stedman, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy,
Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon,
McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Gregory Mark Killinger
Representative(s) Kreiss-Tomkins
Senator(s) Stedman, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy,
Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon,
McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stevens, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Cheryl Jean Evan
Representative(s) Kreiss-Tomkins
Senator(s) Stedman, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy,
Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon,
McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Harlena Warford
Representative(s) Kreiss-Tomkins
Senator(s) Stedman, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy,
Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon,
McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Helen Mary "Kiksiuq" Pootoogooluk
Representative(s) Foster
Senator(s) Olson, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan,
Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon,
McGuire, Micciche, Stedman, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Merta S. Kiffer
Representative(s) Ortiz
Senator(s) Stedman, Meyer, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy,
Egan, Ellis, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Huggins, Kelly, MacKinnon,
McGuire, Micciche, Olson, Stevens, Stoltze, Wielechowski

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

Unfinished Business**HB 6**

Senator Wielechowski moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cross sponsor on CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 6(MLV) "An Act relating to a voluntary preference for veterans by private employers." Without objection, it was so ordered.

HB 41

Senator Costello moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cross sponsor on CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 41(FIN) am "An Act relating to sport fishing services, sport fishing operators, and sport fishing guides; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Announcements

Rule 23(d) of the Alaska State Legislature Uniform Rules is currently in effect.

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Engrossment**SB 46**

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 46(FIN) "An Act relating to the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority; authorizing the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority to issue bonds or notes for a regional health organization or joint action agency; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

SB 53

SENATE BILL NO. 53 "An Act relating to advanced practice registered nursing; relating to certified direct-entry midwifery; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

SB 58

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 58(STA) "An Act relating to transportation network companies and drivers; relating to transportation network company and driver automobile insurance; relating to workers' compensation for horse carriage services and transportation network company drivers; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

Adjournment

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 9:45 a.m., April 17, 2015. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 2:40 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

Apr 16 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

EDUCATION

Apr 17 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + Confirmation Hearing, State Board of Education:
 John Harmon, Principal, Lumen Christi Catholic
 High School

FINANCE

Apr 16 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + SB 9 ELECTION PAMPHLETS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:
 += HB 146 MUNICIPAL TAX EXEMPTION

Apr 16 Thursday Senate Finance 532 1:30 PM
 = SB 9 ELECTION PAMPHLETS
 += SB 50 AIDEA: BONDS;PROGRAMS;LOANS;LNG PROJECT
 + HB 105 AIDEA: BONDS;PROGRAMS;LOANS;LNG PROJECT
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 += HB 176 REPEAL ST EMPL WAGE RAISE;LEGIS EMPL BENE
 <Pending Referral>

FINANCE (continued)

Apr 17 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + HB 41 SPORT FISHING SERVICES
 <Pending Referral>
 + HB 123 ESTABLISH MARIJUANA CONTROL BOARD
 <Pending Referral>
 + HB 135 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE ROTH CONTRIBUTIONS
 + HB 137 HUNT/FISH/TRAP: FEES;LICENSES;EXEMPTIONS
 <Pending Referral>
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 += SB 50 AIDEA: BONDS;PROGRAMS;LOANS;LNG PROJECT
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HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Apr 17 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY

Apr 17 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 += HB 15 CREDITS FOR TIME SERVED/GOOD TIME
 += HB 75 MARIJUANA REG;CLUBS;MUNIS;LOCAL OPT ELECT
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

Apr 16 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
+ HB 131 LICENSURE OF MANICURISTS/HAIR DRESSING
-- Public Testimony --
+ HCR 10 MARITIME WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
-- Public Testimony --
+= HB 41 SPORT FISHING SERVICES
-- Public Testimony --
+= SB 107 INSURANCE; RISK MG'T; HOLDING COMPANIES
+ HB 123 ESTABLISH MARIJUANA CONTROL BOARD
-- Public Testimony --
+ HB 12 MORTGAGE LENDING AND LOAN ORIGINATORS
-- Public Testimony --
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

RESOURCES

Apr 16 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
Presentation by analytica:
North Slope Gas Project Update
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
+= HB 137 HUNT/FISH/TRAP: FEES;LICENSES;EXEMPTIONS
<Pending Referral>
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

STATE AFFAIRS

Apr 16 Thursday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
+= SB 74 MEDICAID REFORM/PFD/HSAS/ER USE/STUDIES
+ HB 135 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE ROTH CONTRIBUTIONS
-- Public Testimony --
+ HJR 22 STEWART-HYDER BORDER HOURS
-- Public Testimony --
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 17 Friday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
+ HB 6 PRIV EMPLOYER VOLUNTARY VET PREFERENCE
-- Public Testimony --
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Apr 16 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:00 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HB72 AND HB73**

Apr 16 Thursday Senate Finance 532 4:00 PM
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 Department Closeouts
 Departments to be Announced
 = HB 72 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
 = HB 73 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET

Apr 17 Friday Senate Finance 532 4:00 PM
 = HB 72 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
 = HB 73 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET
 Department Closeouts
 Departments to be Announced

OTHER MEETINGS**JOINT SESSION**

Apr 17 Friday House Chamber 10:00 AM
 Pursuant to April 15th Executive Proclamation

Apr 17 Friday House Chamber 1:00 PM
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 Consideration of Governor's Appointees

Apr 19 Sunday House Chamber 1:30 PM
 Consideration of Governor's Appointees