

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE  
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
SEPTEMBER 02, 2015  
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*Approved December 4, 2015*

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Senator Gary Stevens, Chair  
Representative Bob Herron, Vice Chair  
Senator Lyman Hoffman  
Senator Anna MacKinnon  
Senator Kevin Meyer  
Representative Mike Hawker

**MEMBERS ON TELECONFERENCE**

Senator John Coghill  
Representative Mike Chenault  
Representative Craig Johnson  
Representative Sam Kito  
Representative Charisse Millett  
Representative Mark Neuman  
Representative Steve Thompson, alternate

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Senator Charlie Huggins  
Senator Peter Micciche  
Senator Lesil McGuire, alternate

**OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT OR ON TELECONFERENCE**

Representatives Drummond, Gruenberg, Josephson, Tuck and Vazquez

**AGENDA**

EXECUTIVE SESSION - LEGAL ISSUES ON MEDICAID EXPANSION

**SPEAKER REGISTER**

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I. **CHAIR GARY STEVENS** called the Legislative Council meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. in the Anchorage Legislative Information Office Auditorium. Present at the call were Senators Meyer, Hoffman, MacKinnon, and Stevens; Representatives Hawker and Herron. Participating via teleconference was Senator Coghill, as well as Representatives Johnson, Kito, Millett, Neuman and Thompson, alternate member. Representative Chenault joined the meeting via teleconference during executive session. Absent were Senators Huggins, Micciche, and McGuire, alternate member.

II. **EXECUTIVE SESSION - LEGAL ISSUES ON MEDICAID EXPANSION**

CHAIR STEVENS said that the reason for this meeting was to give Legislative Council members an opportunity to hear from Legal Services Director Doug Gardner as well as a staff attorney in an executive session regarding legal issue regarding Medicaid expansion. He noted that the Chair's intention is that this be an informational meeting only; that no actions will be taken, no motions will be allowed and that Council will adjourn after coming out of executive session.

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VICE CHAIR HERRON moved that Legislative Council go into executive session under Uniform Rule 22(b)(3) to discuss a matter that may, by law, be required to be confidential, to allow Council to receive legal advice in the form of Attorney-Client communications from legal counsel. I would ask that the following individuals remain in the room or on teleconference: Pam Varni, Doug Gardner, Kate Glover, Erin Shine, Suzanne Armstrong, Chad Hutchison, Mark Higgins, Tom Wright, Linda Hay, Grace Abbott, and Megan Wallace. We also welcome any Legislators that are not on Legislative Council.

A roll call vote was taken.

YEAS: Meyer, Coghill, Hoffman, MacKinnon, Hawker, Johnson, Kito, Millett, Neuman, Thompson, Herron, and Stevens

NAYS: None

The motion passed 12-0.

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Council went into Executive Session.

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Council out of Executive Session.

There being no further business before the committee, the Legislative Council meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

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