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Seventy-second Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Kelly at 11:04 a.m.

The roll showed nineteen members present. Senator Wielechowski was excused from a call of the Senate.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplains, Silvana Jordan, Beheshteh Sadeghi and Sam Jordan, Juneau Baha'i Assembly. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

O God, guide me, protect me, make of me a shining
lamp and a brilliant star. Thou art the Mighty and the
Powerful.

(Prayer was offered in Spanish, Farsi and English)

Senator Stedman led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Micciche moved and asked unanimous consent that the journals for the seventieth and seventy-first legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the House**SB 30**

Message dated March 27 was read stating the House passed and returned:

SENATE BILL NO. 30 "An Act approving and ratifying the sale of royalty oil by the State of Alaska to Petro Star Inc.; and providing for an effective date."

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

Message dated March 27 was read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Bills**HB 56**

HOUSE BILL NO. 56 BY REPRESENTATIVES ORTIZ, Kreiss-Tomkins, Tuck, Josephson, Millett, Kito, Pruitt, entitled:

"An Act relating to limitations on certain commercial fishing loans made by the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development."

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

HB 87

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 87(FSH) BY THE HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES, entitled:

"An Act relating to participation in matters before the Board of Fisheries and the Board of Game by the members of the respective boards."

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

Standing Committee Reports

Report dated March 27 was read stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Finance Committee reviewed the following and recommends the appointments be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

Hollis French – Anchorage

Daniel Seamount – Anchorage

This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the confirmation of the individuals during any further sessions.

Signing the report: Senators Hoffman, MacKinnon, Cochairs; Senators Bishop, von Imhof, Dunleavy, Olson, Micciche.

Report dated March 27 was read stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Health and Social Services Committee reviewed the following and recommends the appointments be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

State Medical Board

Timothy Olson – Bird Creek

Doug Mertz – Juneau

This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the confirmation of the individuals during any further sessions.

Signing the report: Senator Wilson, Chair; Senators Giessel, Begich.

Report dated March 27 was read stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Resources Committee reviewed the following and recommends the appointments be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Board of Game

Stanley (Stosh) Hoffman, Jr. – Bethel

Alaska Gasline Development Corporation Board of Directors

David Wight – Anchorage

Hugh Short – Girdwood

Warren Christian – North Pole

This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the confirmation of the individuals during any further sessions.

Signing the report: Senator Giessel, Chair; Senators Hughes, Coghill, Stedman, Meyer.

Report dated March 27 was read stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the State Affairs Committee reviewed the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Alaska Police Standards Council

Wendi Shackelford – Anchorage

This does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the confirmation of the individual during any further sessions.

Signing the report: Senator Dunleavy, Chair; Senators Egan, Giessel, Wilson.

SB 83

The Health and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 83 "An Act relating to the protection of vulnerable adults and residents of long term care facilities" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 83(HSS)

Signing no recommendation: Senator Wilson, Chair; Senator Giessel.
Signing do pass: Senator Begich.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:
Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Health and Social Services
Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Revenue

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 87

The Education Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 87 "An Act relating to energy efficiency standards and standardized options for building and equipment components for school construction and major maintenance; relating to school construction and major maintenance grants and bond debt reimbursement; establishing a working group to make recommendations relating to energy efficiency and standardized components in schools; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 87(EDC)

Signing do pass: Senator Hughes, Chair; Senator Giessel. Signing no recommendation: Senators Begich, Coghill.

The following fiscal information was published today:
Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Education and
Early Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 48

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 48 "An Act relating to the composition of the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors; extending the termination date of the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Costello, Chair; Senators Hughes, Meyer, Stevens, Gardner.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:
Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Commerce, Community
and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 143

The Rules Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 143 "An Act naming the Daniel R. Fauske Building." Signing do pass: Senator Meyer, Chair; Senators MacKinnon, Micciche, Kelly, Gardner.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Administration

The bill is on today's calendar.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills**SB 84**

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 84 BY SENATOR DUNLEAVY, entitled:

"An Act relating to the earnings of the permanent fund; and providing for an effective date."

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

SB 99

SENATE BILL NO. 99 BY SENATOR BEGICH, entitled:

"An Act relating to early education programs provided by school districts; relating to funding for early education programs; and relating to the duties of the state Board of Education and Early Development."

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

SB 100

SENATE BILL NO. 100 BY SENATOR EGAN BY REQUEST, entitled:

"An Act relating to municipal liens."

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

Consideration of the Calendar**Second Reading of House Bills****HB 143**

HOUSE BILL NO. 143 "An Act naming the Daniel R. Fauske Building" was read the second time.

Senator Micciche 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. 143 was read the third time.

Senator Stevens 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 HOUSE BILL NO. 143 "An Act naming the Daniel R. Fauske Building" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 143

Third Reading - Final Passage

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

Yeas: Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, Kelly, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wilson

Excused: Wielechowski

and so, HOUSE BILL NO. 143 passed the Senate, was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

Citations

Honoring - Usibelli Coal Mine

Senator(s) Giessel, Bishop, Kelly, Begich, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Gardner, Hoffman, Hughes, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Honoring - James E. Cantor

Representative(s) Saddler

Senator(s) MacKinnon, Kelly, Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Honoring - Madison Englund

Representative(s) Wool

Senator(s) Bishop, Kelly, Begich, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Honoring - Lions Club Centennial

Representative(s) Tilton

Senator(s) Hughes, Kelly, Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Honoring - Heather Lende

Representative(s) Kito

Senator(s) Egan, Kelly, Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski

In Memoriam - Albert "Babe" Pagh

Senator(s) Coghill, Kelly, Begich, Bishop, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

In Memoriam - Dan Ramras

Senator(s) Coghill, Kelly, Begich, Bishop, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

In Memoriam - Wallace Franklin "Wally" Burnett

Senator(s) Coghill, Kelly, Begich, Bishop, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

In Memoriam - Doris Etta Bacus

Senator(s) Stevens, Kelly, Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson
Representative(s) Stutes

In Memoriam - Chuck Johnstone

Representative(s) Kreiss-Tomkins

Senator(s) Stedman, Kelly, Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Egan, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

In Memoriam - Jackie Perry

Representative(s) Parish, Kito

Senator(s) Egan, Kelly, Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Dunleavy, Gardner, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Senator Micciche 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

Senator Micciche moved and asked unanimous consent President Kelly be excused from a call of the Senate from afternoon plane time, March 29 through evening plane time, April 2. Without objection, Senator Kelly was excused.

Senator Micciche moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from afternoon plane time, March 29 through evening plane time, March 30. Without objection, Senator Micciche was excused.

Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from 8:00 p.m. plane time, March 30 through 9:30 p.m. plane time, April 2. Without objection, Senator Coghill was excused.

Senator Bishop moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from afternoon plane time, March 30 through evening plane time, April 2. Without objection, Senator Bishop was excused.

Senator Costello moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from afternoon plane time, March 29 through evening plane time, April 4. Without objection, Senator Costello was excused.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Micciche moved and asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., March 31, 2017. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:42 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

Mar 30 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

EDUCATION

Mar 29 Wednesday Capitol 106 8:00 AM
 + State School Board
 Joint Hearing with the House Education Committee
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Mar 30 Thursday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM
 += SB 78 PERM FUND DIVIDEND CONTRIBUTIONS/LOTTERY
 -- Public Testimony --
 += SB 96 EDUCATION:SCHOOLS/TEACHERS/FUNDING
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 31 Friday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM
 += SB 96 EDUCATION:SCHOOLS/TEACHERS/FUNDING
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

FINANCE

Mar 29 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 += SB 31 NO ST. EMPLOYEE PAY INCREASE FOR 2 YRS
 <Bill Hearing Canceled>
 + SB 32 PRESCRIPTIONS FOR BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS
 + HB 57 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 29 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 3:30 PM
 + Joint with Senate Resources:
 World Oil & Gas Markets - Impact on Alaska
 Marianne Kah, Chief Economist, ConocoPhillips

Mar 30 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + SB 97 PENSION OBLIGATION BONDS
 + HB 57 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 30 Thursday Senate Finance 532 1:30 PM
 + HB 57 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 31 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM
 + HB 57 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 31 Friday Senate Finance 532 1:30 PM
 += SB 32 PRESCRIPTIONS FOR BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS
 += SB 54 CRIME AND SENTENCING
 += SB 55 OMNIBUS CRIME/CORRECTIONS
 + HB 57 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Apr 01 Saturday Senate Finance 532 10:30 AM
 + HB 57 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

- Mar 29 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**
 Presentation: The Economic Costs of Alcohol and
 + Other Drug Abuse in Alaska
 By The McDowell Group
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Mar 31 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**
 + SB 72 DISCRIMINATION: GENDER ID.;SEXUAL ORIENT.
 -- Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY

- Mar 29 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**
 + Confirmation Hearings:
 Melanie Bahnke - Commission on Judicial Conduct
 Jeannine Jabaay - Commission on Judicial Conduct
 Donald McClintock III - Commission on Judicial
 Conduct
 += SB 15 E-CIGS: SALE TO AND POSSESSION BY MINOR
 <Bill Hearing Canceled>
 + SB 29 REPEAL WORKERS' COMP APPEALS COMMISSION
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:
 += SB 5 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION LIMITS/PROHIBITION
- Mar 31 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**
 No Meeting Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

- Mar 30 Thursday Fahrenkamp 203 9:00 AM**
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 + Governor's Appointees to State Boards &
 Commissions
 -- To be Announced --
 -- Public Testimony on Appointees --
 + SB 85 AK WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD;FUNDS
 -- Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 -- Public Testimony --

LABOR & COMMERCE(continued)

- Mar 30 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**
 + Governor's Appointees to State Boards & Commissions
 Alaska Labor Relations Agency
 Board of Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy
 Board of Examiners in Optometry
 Board of Nursing
 -- Public Testimony on Appointees --
 + SB 94 TRUSTS; COMM PROP TRUSTS; POWERS OF APPT
 <Bill Hearing Canceled>
 -- Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Mar 31 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 + Governor's Appointees to State Boards & Commissions
 -- To be Announced --
 -- Public Testimony on Appointees --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 -- Public Testimony --

RESOURCES

- Mar 29 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 3:30 PM**
 -- Joint with Senate Finance Committee --
 -- Please Note Location Change --
 + World Oil & Gas Markets - Impact on Alaska:
 Marianne Kah, Chief Economist, ConocoPhillips
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Mar 31 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM**
 + Update on the Interior Energy Project:
 Interior Gas Utility, Alaska Industrial
 Development & Export Authority
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:
 += SB 92 VESSELS: REGISTRATION/TITLES; DERELICTS
 -- Public Testimony --

STATE AFFAIRS

Mar 30 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
+= SJR 2 CONST AM: APPROPRIATION LIMIT
+ SB 77 SECOND CLASS BOROUGH SERVICE AREAS
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Mar 30 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
+ Overview: Ports & Harbors

OTHER MEETINGS

JOINT SESSION

Apr 13 Thursday House Chamber 11:00 AM
Consideration of Governor's Appointees