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**Monday**

**March 19, 2018**

**Sixty-third Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Kelly at 11:20 a.m.

The roll showed eighteen members present. Senators Olson, Stedman were excused from a call of the Senate.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, The Reverend Leslie Fails, Fairbanks Unitarian Universalist Fellowship. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent that the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

May your service to this state, whose land and people are equally humbling in their diversity, be an endeavor that nourishes your spirit.

May the weighty decisions that you make inch us closer and closer to a world in which all people can not only survive, but thrive. It is, after all our birthright. Poverty and suffering are man made, and so we have the power to unmake them.

Spirit of Life, ground of our being, be with us as we work to give life the shape of justice. Give us compassion, that we might truly hear one another. May the Alaska we leave for our children be the Alaska that they deserve. Amen.

Senator Wielechowski led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Certification**

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

**Communications**

Disclosure letters received from the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics, in accordance with AS 24.60, will be published in Senate Journal Supplement No. 10 and Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 18.

**Standing Committee Reports**

Reports dated March 19 were read stating:

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

**Board of Education and Early Development**

James Fields – Glennallen  
Sandra Kowalski – Fairbanks  
Lorri Van Diest – Palmer  
Tiffany Scott – Kotzebue

**University of Alaska Board of Regents**

Stephen (Joey) Sweet – 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: Senator Stevens, Chair; Senators Begich, Coghill, Giessel, Hughes.

**SB 62**

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 62 "An Act repealing the certificate of need program for health care facilities; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 62(L&C) "An Act relating to the certificate of need program for health care facilities; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Costello, Chair. Signing no recommendation: Senator Meyer. Signing amend: Senators Stevens, Micciche, Gardner.

Fiscal information forthcoming.

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

**SB 81**

The Health and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 81 "An Act relating to criminal and civil history requirements and a registry regarding certain licenses, certifications, appeals, and authorizations by the Department of Health and Social Services; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 81(HSS) "An Act relating to criminal and civil history record checks and requirements; relating to licenses, certifications, appeals, and authorizations by the Department of Health and Social Services; relating to child protection information; and providing for an effective date."

Signing no recommendation: Senator Wilson, Chair; Senator Micciche. Signing do pass: Senators Begich, von Imhof.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 3, zero, Department of Public Safety

Fiscal Note No. 4, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

**SB 109**

The Judiciary Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 109 "An Act relating to background investigation requirements for state employees whose job duties require access to certain federal tax information; relating to persons under contract with the state with access to certain federal tax information; establishing state personnel procedures required for employee access to certain federal tax information; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 109(JUD) "An Act relating to background investigation requirements for state employees whose job duties require access to certain federal tax information; relating to current or prospective contractors with the state with access to certain federal tax information; establishing state personnel procedures required for employee access to certain federal tax information; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Coghill, Chair. Signing no recommendation: Senators Wielechowski, Costello, Kelly, Shower.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 6, Department of Revenue

Fiscal Note No. 7, Department of Revenue

Fiscal Note No. 8, zero, Department of Public Safety

Fiscal Note No. 9, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

Fiscal Note No. 10, zero, Department of Labor and Workforce  
Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

**HB 150**

The State Affairs Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 150 "An Act relating to pay, allowances, and benefits for members of the organized militia." Signing do pass: Senator Meyer, Chair; Senators Wilson, Coghill, Egan.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 2, indeterminate, Department of Military  
and Veterans Affairs

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

### **Consideration of the Calendar**

#### **Second Reading of Senate Bills**

##### **SB 108**

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 108 "An Act relating to the State Medical Board; relating to the licensing of physicians, osteopaths, and podiatrists; relating to the certification of medical assistants; relating to the practice of medicine; relating to the practice of podiatry; relating to the practice of osteopathy; relating to assault of a medical professional; 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 2268. Senator Gardner objected, then withdrew her objection. There being no further objection, CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 108(FIN) was adopted.

President Kelly stated CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 108(FIN) will advance to third reading on the March 21 calendar.

#### **Citations**

Honoring - Kennedy Torres

Representative(s) Tilton

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

Honoring - Zoi Maroudas-Tziolas

Representative(s) Drummond

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

In Memoriam - René Haag  
Representative(s) Drummond  
Senator(s) Kelly, Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Egan, Gardner,  
Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Olson,  
Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

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

### **Unfinished Business**

Senator Begich moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate adopt the following Sense of the Senate:

#### SENSE OF THE SENATE

It is the sense of the Senate that the Alaska Permanent Fund should undertake efforts to divest from all Russian companies currently sanctioned by the U.S. Government in light of government-sponsored efforts by Russia to meddle in our elections, the illegal annexation of Crimea and destabilization of the Ukraine, and cyber-attacks on vital U.S. infrastructure.

Senator Micciche objected.

The question being: "Shall the Senate adopt the Sense of the Senate?"  
The roll was taken with the following result:

Shall the Senate Adopt the Sense of the Senate?

**YEAS: 4 NAYS: 14 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Begich, Egan, Gardner, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Costello, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, Kelly,  
MacKinnon, Meyer, Micciche, Shower, Stevens, von Imhof, Wilson

Excused: Olson, Stedman

and so, the Sense of the Senate failed to be adopted.

Senator Shower moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from afternoon plane time, March 23 through evening plane time, March 25. Without objection, Senator Shower was excused.

#### **Announcements**

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

#### **Adjournment**

Senator Micciche moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., March 21, 2018. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:40 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 20 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM**  
 + SB 215 ENHANCED 911: MULTI-LINE TELEPHONE SYSTEMS

**Mar 22 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM**  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**EDUCATION**

**Mar 19 Monday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM**  
 + Consideration of Governor's Appointees  
 Board of Education & Early Development:  
 James Fields  
 Sandra Kowalski  
 Tiffany Scott  
 Lorri Van Diest  
 University of Alaska Board of Regents:  
 Stephen (Joey) Sweet  
 -- Testimony <Invited and Public> --  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**Mar 21 Wednesday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM**  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 23 Friday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM**  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**FINANCE**

- Mar 19 Monday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
- + Spring Revenue Forecast
- Commissioner Sheldon Fisher, Department of Revenue
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
  
- Mar 20 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
- + SB 65 JONESVILLE PUBLIC USE AREA
- + HB 236 EXTEND: SENIOR BENEFITS PAYMENT PROGRAM
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:
- + SB 155 REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL MNGMT. COMPANIES
  
- Mar 21 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
- + Consideration of Governor's Appointees
- Department of Revenue:
- Mr. Sheldon Fisher
- State Assessment Review Board:
- Mr. William Westover
- University of Alaska Board of Regents:
- Mr. Joey Sweet
- + HB 124 BENEFIT CORPORATIONS
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
  
- Mar 22 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
- + Dept. of Revenue's Role in the Alaska LNG Project
- Commissioner Sheldon Fisher, Dept. of Revenue
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
  
- Mar 23 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES**

- Mar 19 Monday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**
- + Consideration of Governor's Appointees:
- Sai-Ling Liu, State Medical Board
- Catherine Hyndman, State Medical Board
- Public Testimony --
- + HB 151 DHSS;CINA; FOSTER CARE; CHILD PROTECTION
- Testimony <Invited and Public> --
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES (continued)**

**Mar 21 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
 + HB 215 DHSS: PUBLIC HEALTH FEES  
 -- Testimony <Invited and Public> --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 23 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**JUDICIARY**

**Mar 19 Monday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**  
 += SB 122 OCS CITIZEN REVIEW PANEL  
 += HB 312 CRIMES AGAINST MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS  
 -- Public Testimony --  
 + SB 214 ESTABLISH CORRECTIONAL INDUSTRIES PROGRAM  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 21 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**  
 + SB 184 ACCESS TO MARIJUANA CONVICTION RECORDS  
 + SB 150 PRETRIAL RELEASE; NON-AK CRIM HISTORY  
 + SB 175 DNR: DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFO  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 23 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**  
 += SJR 14 CONST. AM: PARENTAL CONSENT TO ABORTION  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**LABOR & COMMERCE**

**Mar 19 Monday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 6:00 PM**  
 += SB 119 HEALTH CARE COSTS: DISCLOSURE;INSURERS;  
 + HB 170 AK SECURITIES ACT; PENALTIES; CRT. RULES  
 -- Public Testimony --  
 += SB 38 PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS  
 -- Public Testimony --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**LABOR & COMMERCE (continued)**

**Mar 20 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**  
 + SB 157 MICROLOAN REVOLVING FUND & LOANS  
 -- Public Testimony --  
 += SB 76 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL; ALCOHOL REG  
 -- Public Testimony --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 22 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**  
 += SB 76 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL; ALCOHOL REG  
 -- Public Testimony --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**RESOURCES**

**Mar 19 Monday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM**  
 + Consideration of Governor's Appointees  
 Big Game Commercial Services Board:  
 Mr. Jason Bunch  
 State Assessment Review Board:  
 Mr. William Westover  
 -- Public Testimony on Appointees --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:  
 += SJR 13 URGING CO-MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR SEA OTTERS  
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

**Mar 21 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM**  
 + Overview:  
 The Department of Natural Resources' Role in  
 Natural Gas Commercialization Efforts  
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 23 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM**  
 + HB 105 TAKING WOLVES NEAR DENALI PARK;TRAPPING  
 -- Public Testimony --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**STATE AFFAIRS**

**Mar 20 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM**  
 + Consideration of Governor's Appointees  
 Commissioner of Administration:  
 Leslie Ridle  
 Personnel Board:  
 Al Tamagni  
 -- Public Testimony on Appointees --  
 + SB 159 PERS/TERS DISTRIBUTIONS  
 -- Public Testimony --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 22 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM**  
 + Consideration of Governor's Appointees  
 Lt. Governor Successor:  
 Valerie Davidson  
 Board of Fisheries:  
 Orville Huntington  
 Duncan Fields -- Removed from Agenda --  
 -- Public Testimony on Appointees --  
 + HB 31 SEX ASSAULT TRAINING & EXAM KITS;DOM VIOL  
 -- Public Testimony --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**TRANSPORTATION**

**Mar 20 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
 + Consideration of Governor's Appointees:  
 Board of Marine Pilots

**Mar 22 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

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**FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES**

**NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Mar 20 Tuesday Butrovich 205 12:00 PM**  
 + -- MEETING CANCELED --  
 Budget Subcommittee Close-Out  
 --Above Item Rescheduled from 3/15/18--

**NATURAL RESOURCES (continued)**

<b>Mar 22</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
	-- MEETING CANCELED --		
+	Budget Subcommittee Close-Out, if Necessary		
<b>Mar 27</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
+	Budget Subcommittee Close-Out		
<b>Mar 29</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
+	Budget Subcommittee Close-Out, if Necessary		

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**TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES**

<b>Mar 20</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>
	-- MEETING CANCELED --		
+	Budget Subcommittee Close-Out <Above Item Rescheduled from 3/15/18>		
<b>Mar 22</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>
	-- MEETING CANCELED --		
+	Budget Subcommittee Close-Out, if Necessary		
<b>Mar 27</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>
+	Budget Subcommittee Close-Out		
<b>Mar 29</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>
+	Budget Subcommittee Close-Out, if Necessary		

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**SPECIAL COMMITTEES****SPECIAL CMTE ON THE ARCTIC**

<b>Mar 20</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>
+	HJR 19	ARCTIC MARINE SAFETY AGREEMENTS	
		-- Public Testimony --	

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**JOINT COMMITTEES****ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**Mar 22      Thursday                      Senate Finance 532              11:30 AM**

Briefings by:

- + Lieutenant General Kenneth S. Wilsbach  
Commander, Alaska North American Aerospace  
Command Region  
Commander, Alaska Command, U.S. Northern Command  
Commander, Eleventh Air Force
- + Major General Mark O'Neil  
Commanding General, U.S. Army Alaska
- + Rear Admiral Michael F. McAllister  
Commander, Seventeenth U.S. Coast Guard District
- + Major General Laurel J. Hummel  
The Adjutant General, Alaska National Guard  
Commissioner, Alaska Department of Military and  
Veterans' Affairs

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**OTHER MEETINGS**

**MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS**

**Mar 23      Friday                                      Butrovich 205              12:00 PM**

Lunch & Learn  
Norway's Correctional System  
Presenters:  
Dept. of Corrections Commissioner Dean Williams  
Judge Trevor Stephens  
Senator Pete Kelly  
Representative Bryce Edgmon  
Sponsored by Senator Kelly