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Seventy-second Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Edgmon at 10:35 a.m.

Roll call showed 38 members present. Representatives Stutes and Zulkosky had been excused from a call of the House today.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, the Reverend Nancy Campbell of White Fields Church, Wasilla. Representative Shaw moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

With respect for the religious beliefs of each person here, I offer this prayer:

Dear Heavenly Father,

I approach your throne of mercy and grace, and I pray for this chamber, the House of Representatives, that you would fill this place with your spirit. Let your presence abide here.

According to your word in Philippians 4:6-7: *Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God and the peace of God which passes all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.* I pray for that peace of God to abide here this day.

And, in James 1:5: *If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God who gives to all liberally and without reproach and it will be given to him.*

I ask that you, Lord, grant them your wisdom this day. Be here with them now and bless their meeting. I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Wilson.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 70th and 71st legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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Representative Story introduced Marissa Lopez and Ethan Tobel, Guest Pages, from Juneau.

Representative Hannan introduced Michael Jozwiak, Guest Page, from Juneau.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message dated March 25 was read stating the Senate passed the following, and it is transmitted for consideration:

FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF SENATE BILLS

SB 38

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 38(FIN) by the Senate Finance Committee, entitled:

"An Act making supplemental appropriations for unemployment assistance, fire suppression activities, and restoration projects

related to earthquake disaster relief; capitalizing funds; and providing for an effective date."

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Resources Committee reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Jessie Chmielowski

as a member of the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.

The report was signed by Representatives Lincoln and Tarr, Co-chairs; and Representatives Talerico, Hannan, Tuck, Spohnholz, Rasmussen, and Hopkins.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HB 3

The House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs considered:

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 3

"An Act relating to the purchase and sale of state land; relating to discounts for veterans on state land purchases; and relating to the assignment of permanent fund dividends to purchase state land."

The report was signed by Representative LeDoux, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Thompson, Jackson, Tarr, Rauscher

No recommendation (2): Tuck, LeDoux

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Natural Resources
2. Fiscal, Dept. of Revenue

SSHB 3 was referred to the Resources Committee.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citations were introduced and taken up later as a Special Order of Business:

Honoring - Major Felisa Wilson
By Senator Wielechowski; Representative LeDoux

Honoring - Keith Nore
By Senator Coghill; Representative Wilson

The following citations were introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

Honoring - Bosch
By Representative Hopkins

Honoring - Maureen Koezuna
By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

Honoring - Norman Lowell
By Representative Vance

Honoring - Nikaitchuat Ilisagviat Inupiaq Language Immersion School
By Representative Lincoln; Senator Olson

Honoring - Service High School, ProStart Culinary Team
By Senator Birch; Representative Revak

Honoring - Arthur and Barbara Waters, 50th Wedding Anniversary
By Senator Micciche; Representatives Carpenter, Knopp

In Memoriam - Alfred Attla, Sr.
By Representative Lincoln; Senator Olson

In Memoriam - Ashley Kelly Mae Robyn Johnson-Barr
By Representative Lincoln; Senator Olson

In Memoriam - Guy Charles Powell
By Senator Stevens; Representative Stutes

**INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE
OF HOUSE BILLS****HB 113**

HOUSE BILL NO. 113 by Representatives Jackson and Shaw, entitled:

"An Act relating to employment preferences for spouses and children of veterans, disabled veterans, former prisoners of war, members of the national guard, and deceased service members."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs and the Labor & Commerce Committee.

HB 114

HOUSE BILL NO. 114 by Representative Spohnholz, entitled:

"An Act relating to a workforce enhancement program for health care professionals employed in the state; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 115

HOUSE BILL NO. 115 by Representative Tuck, entitled:

"An Act relating to absentee voting; and providing for an effective date."

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

HB 116

HOUSE BILL NO. 116 by Representative Story, entitled:

"An Act relating to the renewal or extension of aquatic farming and hatchery site leases."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Fisheries and the Resources Committee.

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR**SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS****HB 34**

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 34

"An Act naming the Scott Johnson Memorial Bridge."

with the:	Journal Page
STA RPT 6DP	276
FN1: ZERO(DOT)	276
TRA RPT 7DP	360
FN1: ZERO(DOT)	360

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that HB 34 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

HB 34 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall HB 34 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 34

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 37 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Carpenter, Claman, Drummond, Eastman, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Jackson, Johnson, Johnston, Josephson, Knopp, Kopp, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon, LeDoux, Lincoln, Merrick, Neuman, Ortiz, Pruitt, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Revak, Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vance, Wilson, Wool

Excused: Stutes, Zulkosky

Absent: Hopkins

And so, HB 34 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

HB 88

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 88

"An Act naming the Trooper Gabe Rich Memorial Bridge."

with the:	Journal Page
TRA RPT 7DP	361
FN1: ZERO(DOT)	361

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that HB 88 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

HB 88 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall HB 88 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 88

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 38 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Carpenter, Claman, Drummond, Eastman, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Johnston, Josephson, Knopp, Kopp, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon, LeDoux, Lincoln, Merrick, Neuman, Ortiz, Pruitt, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Revak, Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vance, Wilson, Wool

Excused: Stutes, Zulkosky

And so, HB 88 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

HOUSE BILLS IN SECOND READING**HB 83**

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the following, which was held in second reading from the March 25 calendar (page 381), would be held to the March 29 calendar:

HOUSE BILL NO. 83

"An Act relating to voting by electronic transmission in a state election; and providing for an effective date."

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citations on the calendar. There being no objection, the following citations were approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring - Dr. Timothy Ballard
By Representatives Revak, Merrick

Honoring - Dimond High School, 2018 Girls Swimming and Diving
State Champions
By Senator Costello; Representative Rasmussen

In Memoriam - Edward Cartner
By Representative Wilson; Senator Coghill

In Memoriam - Victor Thomas Stockton III
By Representative Wilson; Senator Coghill

In Memoriam - Spiros Gialopsos
By Representatives Drummond, Tuck; Senator Birch

In Memoriam - Jan Rutherford
By Representatives Hannan, Story; Senator Kiehl

In Memoriam - Robert R. Howard
By Senator Coghill

In Memoriam - Helen H. "Beaver" Warner
By Senator Coghill; Representative Wilson

In Memoriam - Heinrich "Henry" Springer
By Senators Coghill, Birch

In Memoriam - Elgin Jones
By Senators Begich, Gray-Jackson; Representative Jackson

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the following members be excused from a call of the House. There being no objection, the members were excused as noted:

Representative Jackson – from 6:30 a.m., March 28 to 9:45 p.m.,
March 31

Representative Neuman – from 11:00 a.m., March 28 to 10:30 a.m.,
April 1

Representative Lincoln – from noon, March 28 to 2:00 p.m., April 7

Representative Rasmussen – from 6:00 p.m., March 28 to 10:00 p.m.,
March 31

Representative Vance – from 7:00 p.m., March 28 to 10:45 a.m.,
April 1

Representative Hopkins – from noon, March 29 to 10:00 p.m.,
March 31

Representative LeBon – from noon, March 29 to 10:30 a.m., April 1

Representative Fields – from noon, March 29 to 10:00 a.m., April 1

Representative Spohnholz – from 7:00 p.m., March 29 to 10:00 p.m.,
March 31

HB 22

Representatives Ortiz and Story added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 22

"An Act extending the termination date of the Statewide Suicide Prevention Council; and providing for an effective date."

HB 34

Representatives Eastman, Wool, Josephson, Jackson, Tilton, Rauscher, and Thompson added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 34

"An Act naming the Scott Johnson Memorial Bridge."

HB 72

Representative Jackson removed as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 72

"An Act establishing the month of February as Black History Month."

HB 82

Representative Tarr added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 82

"An Act adding to the powers and duties of the State Commission for Human Rights; and relating to and prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression."

HB 83

Representative Neuman added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 83

"An Act relating to voting by electronic transmission in a state election; and providing for an effective date."

HB 88

Representatives Eastman, Wool, Josephson, Tilton, Rauscher, Neuman, and Thompson added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 88

"An Act naming the Trooper Gabe Rich Memorial Bridge."

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the notice and publication requirements be waived and the citations, Honoring - Major Felisa Wilson and Honoring - Keith Nore, be taken up as a Special Order of Business. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citations. There being no objection, the following citations were approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring - Major Felisa Wilson

By Senator Wielechowski; Representative LeDoux

Honoring - Keith Nore

By Senator Coghill; Representative Wilson

ENGROSSMENT**HB 34**

HB 34 was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 88

HB 88 was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., March 29. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Crystalline Jones
Chief Clerk