ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

Juneau, Alaska

Monday

May 6, 2019

One Hundred Twelfth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Edgmon at 1:37 p.m.

Roll call showed 36 members present. Representative Neuman had been excused from a call of the House today. Representative Rauscher was absent and later excused.

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that Representatives Tuck and Wool be excused from a call of the House today. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Representative Revak. Representative Shaw moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

With the deepest respect for the religious beliefs of all Alaskans, I offer the following prayer:

Lord God of our Fathers, we thank you for our manifold blessings - the inspirations and joys of life - our companionship and association, one with another. We pray you bless us assembled here today, in reverence of God and in loyalty to our state and country. Guide the deliberations of this session. Prosper all our patriotic endeavors. May the policies adopted at this meeting ever uphold the best and finest expressions of patriotism and good citizenship. May our chief concern be the integrity of our state, our nation, and the peace of the world.

Strengthen us in service, that our state may be a source of hope and blessing to the world. Almighty God of our fathers, our help in ages past, and our hope for the years to come, hear our prayer. Protect and comfort our fellow Americans both missing and held captive by the aggressors of freedom. In your divine mercy, let them know that they are not forgotten.

Almighty God, we thank you for the opportunity of service. We pray that you will incline our hearts to entertain a brotherly and sisterly affection for one another and for all fellow citizens. We pray you dispose us all to justice, kindly impulse, and mercy.

As we declare our loyalty to our communities, state, and country, help us to keep in mind the need of faith in God and immortality, without which life is meaningless and vain.

In that faith and conviction we can - and do say to one another - and to those who have departed from this life, 'Farewell, until we meet again.' Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Merrick.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 109th, 110th, and 111th legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

SB 41

A message dated May 6 was read stating the Governor signed the following bill and is transmitting the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's office for permanent filing:

SENATE BILL NO. 41 "An Act relating to the number of superior court judges in the third judicial district; and providing for an effective date."

Chapter No. 2, SLA 2019 Effective Date: July 1, 2019

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

SB 78

A message dated May 3 was read stating the Senate concurred in the House amendment to:

SENATE BILL NO. 78 "An Act establishing May 31 of each year as Katie John Day."

thus adopting:

HOUSE CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 78(TRB) "An Act establishing May 31 of each year as Katie John Day; and providing for an effective date."

(technical title change)

A message dated May 3 was read stating the Senate passed the following, and it is transmitted for consideration:

FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF SENATE BILLS

SB 71

SENATE BILL NO. 71 by the Senate Rules Committee by request of the Legislative Council, entitled:

"An Act making corrective amendments to the Alaska Statutes as recommended by the revisor of statutes."

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

HB 49

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 49

"An Act relating to criminal law and procedure; relating to controlled substances; relating to probation; relating to sentencing; relating to reports of involuntary commitment; amending Rule 6, Alaska Rules of Criminal Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with a forthcoming committee substitute.

The report was signed by Representatives Wilson and Foster, Cochairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (5): Johnston, Carpenter, LeBon, Knopp, Wilson

No recommendation (1): Ortiz

Amend (5): Tilton, Merrick, Josephson, Sullivan-Leonard, Foster

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 49(FIN):

Fiscal note(s) forthcoming.

HB 49 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 96

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 96 "An Act relating to Alaska Pioneers' Home and Alaska Veterans' Home rates and services."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 96(FIN)

"An Act relating to Alaska Pioneers' Home and Alaska Veterans' Home payments, rates, and services."

The report was signed by Representatives Wilson and Foster, Cochairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Knopp, Josephson, Ortiz, Foster

No recommendation (6): Johnston, Tilton, LeBon, Merrick, Sullivan-Leonard, Wilson

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 96(FIN):

- 3. Fiscal, Dept. of Health & Social Services
- 5. Fiscal, Dept. of Health & Social Services

HB 96 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

SB 43

The Resources Committee considered:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 43(FIN)

"An Act extending the termination date of the Big Game Commercial Services Board; relating to a person's eligibility to hold a registered guide-outfitter license, master guide-outfitter license, class-A assistant guide license, assistant guide license, or transporter license; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Tarr and Lincoln, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (3): Talerico, Tarr, Lincoln

No recommendation (5): Hopkins, Tuck, Rauscher, Spohnholz, Hannan

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

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2. Fiscal, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

CSSB 43(FIN) was referred to the Finance Committee.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citation was introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

Honoring - King Cove School, 1A Boys and Girls Basketball, 2019 State Champions By Senator Hoffman; Representative Edgmon

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 146

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 146 by Representative Claman, entitled:

"An Act relating to an application for a license to operate as a dealer in motor vehicles; and requiring a dealer in motor vehicles to maintain liability and property insurance."

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

HB 152

HOUSE BILL NO. 152 by Representatives Zulkosky, Lincoln, Foster, Edgmon, Drummond, Story, Hopkins, Tarr, and Fields, entitled:

"An Act relating to wearing or carrying tribal regalia and objects of cultural significance at public events; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Tribal Affairs and the State Affairs Committee.

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 29

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 29

"An Act relating to insurance coverage for benefits provided through telehealth; and providing for an effective date."

with the:

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HSS RPT 3DP 1NR	405
FN1: ZERO(CED)	406
L&C RPT 5DP 2NR	757
FN1: ZERO(CED)	757

Amendment No. 1 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 2, line 5: Delete "a church plan,"

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 be adopted.

Representative Spohnholz objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 1 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 29 Second Reading Amendment No. 1

YEAS: 12 NAYS: 24 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Carpenter, Eastman, Jackson, Johnson, Merrick, Pruitt, Rasmussen, Revak, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tilton, Vance

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnston, Josephson, Knopp, Kopp, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon,

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LeDoux, Lincoln, Ortiz, Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Thompson, Wilson, Zulkosky

Excused: Neuman, Rauscher, Tuck, Wool

And so, Amendment No. 1 was not adopted.

**The voting record was changed to reflect that Representative Rauscher was excused (page 823).

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that HB 29 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage.

There was objection.

HB 29 will advance to third reading on tomorrow's calendar.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

SB 36

The following was read the second time:

SENATE BILL NO. 36

"An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Nursing; and providing for an effective date."

with the:

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L&C RPT 6DP	717
FN1: (CED)	717
FIN RPT 7DP 4NR	778
FN2: (CED)	778

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that SB 36 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

SB 36 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SB 36 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 36 Third Reading Final Passage

YEAS: 35 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Neuman, Rauscher, Tuck, Wool

And so, SB 36 passed the House.

**The voting record was changed to reflect that Representative Rauscher was excused (page 823).

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

SB 36 was signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and returned to the Senate.

SB 37

The following was read the second time:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 37(FIN)

"An Act relating to the statewide immunization program; and providing for an effective date."

with the:

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HSS RPT 5DP 1NR	692
FN2: (S.FIN/DHS)	692
FN3: (S.FIN/FUND CAP)	692
FN4: (S.FIN/FUND TRANSFERS)	692
FIN RPT 7DP 4NR	778
FN2: (S.FIN/DHS)	779

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Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that CSSB 37(FIN) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSSB 37(FIN) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CSSB 37(FIN) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 37(FIN) Third Reading Final Passage

YEAS: 35 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Neuman, Rauscher, Tuck, Wool

And so, CSSB 37(FIN) passed the House.

**The voting record was changed to reflect that Representative Rauscher was excused (page 823).

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSSB 37(FIN) was signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and returned to the Senate.

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SECOND READING OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HJR 12

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 12

Supporting the completion of the Northern Rail Extension; supporting the increase in defensive capabilities at Fort Greely, Alaska; and encouraging the development of critical Arctic infrastructure.

with the:

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MLV RPT 4DP	361
FN1: ZERO(H.MLV)	362
TRA RPT 6DP	646
FN1: ZERO(H.MLV)	647

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that HJR 12 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

HJR 12 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall HJR 12 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HJR 12 Third Reading Final Passage

YEAS: 36 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 0

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

Excused: Neuman, Rauscher, Tuck, Wool

And so, HJR 12 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

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**The voting record was changed to reflect that Representative Rauscher was excused (page 823).

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Rauscher be excused from a call of the House today. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

HR 6

The following, which was held from the May 3 calendar (page 795), was read the second time:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 6 Expressing support and appreciation for the National Native American Veterans Memorial.

with the:

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TRB RPT 7DP	649
FN1: ZERO(H.TRB)	649
MLV RPT 5DP	766
FN1: ZERO(H.TRB)	766

The question being: "Shall HR 6 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HR 6 Second Reading Final Passage

YEAS: 36 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 0

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

Excused: Neuman, Rauscher, Tuck, Wool

And so, HR 6 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment and enrollment.

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 - Amy Jo Meiners By Representatives Story, Hannan; Senator Kiehl

Honoring - Joann Jones By Representatives Story, Hannan; Senator Kiehl

In Memoriam - Karen Janicek By Senator Kiehl

In Memoriam - Myrna M. Maynard By Senator Birch; Representatives Revak, Jackson

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HR 6

Representatives Tarr, Jackson, Zulkosky, Spohnholz, Eastman, Hannan, and Josephson added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 6

Expressing support and appreciation for the National Native American Veterans Memorial.

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Representatives Johnson, Jackson, and Revak added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 12

Supporting the completion of the Northern Rail Extension; supporting the increase in defensive capabilities at Fort Greely, Alaska; and encouraging the development of critical Arctic infrastructure.

HB 29

Representatives Lincoln, Tarr, and Josephson added as cosponsors to:

CANCELED

HOUSE BILL NO. 29

"An Act relating to insurance coverage for benefits provided through telehealth; and providing for an effective date."

HB 91

Representative Tarr added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 91

"An Act relating to the practice of naturopathy; relating to the licensure of naturopaths; relating to the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development; and providing for an effective date."

ENGROSSMENT

HJR 12

HJR 12 was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

With appointment of the Conference Committee on the operating budget, Rule 23(d) of the Uniform Rules is in effect as of May 6.

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

The following meetings today were changed:

Finance Committee
CHANGED TO:upon adjournmentJudiciary CommitteeCANCELED

Labor & Commerce Committee

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., May 7.

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Representative Eastman objected.

The question being: "Shall the House adjourn?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Adjourn

YEAS: 34 NAYS: 2 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Eastman, Sullivan-Leonard

Excused: Neuman, Rauscher, Tuck, Wool

And so, the House adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Crystaline Jones Chief Clerk