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One Hundred Thirteenth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Edgmon at 10:43 a.m.

Roll call showed 36 members present. Representative Neuman had been excused from a call of the House today.

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.

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Rauscher's voting record from May 6 be changed to reflect he was excused. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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

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

In deepest respect for the religious beliefs of each person here,
I invite you into a time of prayer and reflection. Let us pray:

We pray today in the spirit of hope. Let us not be guided by fear or the mindset of scarcity, but by the courage to imagine and work toward a better future. We pray that we will be granted wisdom and compassion, so that we can stand up for and represent the poor, the meek, and those who mourn. We pray that we will not only represent, but also that we will be people who are peacemakers. That we will not only represent, but also that we will be people who hunger and thirst for righteousness. That we will not only represent, but also that we will be people who are merciful and pure in heart.

In that endeavor, we pray for guidance so that we can work together: With intelligence and wisdom. With courage and humbleness. With love and compassion.

We pray together for hope, in the spirit of hope, so that we may provide hope for each and every person in the state of Alaska. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Ortiz.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

HR 1

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1

Establishing a House Special Committee on Arctic Policy, Economic Development, and Tourism.

House Resolve No. 1

HR 2

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2
Establishing a House Special Committee on Energy.

House Resolve No. 2

HR 3

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 3
Establishing a House Special Committee on Fisheries.

House Resolve No. 3

HR 4

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4
Establishing a House Special Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs.

House Resolve No. 4

HR 5

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 5 am
Establishing a House Special Committee on Tribal Affairs.

House Resolve No. 5

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

HB 48

A message dated May 6 was read stating the Senate passed:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 48(FIN) am

"An Act removing from the exempt service of the state persons who are employed in a professional capacity to make a temporary or special inquiry, study, or examination as authorized by the governor and including those persons in the partially exempt service of the state; repealing the authority of the governor or a designee of the governor to authorize higher pay than is otherwise allowable for certain partially exempt employees in the executive branch; requiring the commissioner of administration to submit a report to the legislature; and providing for an effective date."

CSHB 48(FIN) am was referred to the Chief Clerk for enrollment.

HB 39

A message dated May 6 was read stating the Senate failed to recede from its amendment to:

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 39(FIN) am(brf sup maj fld)

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; amending appropriations; making supplemental appropriations; and providing for an effective date."

namely:

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR SS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 39(FIN)
am S

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; amending appropriations; making supplemental appropriations and reappropriations; and providing for an effective date."

(SCR 3 – title change resolution)

The President appointed the following members to a Conference Committee to meet with a like committee from the House to consider the bills:

Senator Stedman, Chair
Senator von Imhof
Senator Olson

The House members of the Conference Committee were appointed May 3 (page 797).

HB 40

A message dated May 6 was read stating the Senate failed to recede from its amendment to:

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO.
40(FIN)

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

namely:

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR SS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 40(FIN)
(same title)

The President appointed the following members to a Conference Committee to meet with a like committee from the House to consider the bills:

Senator Stedman, Chair
Senator von Imhof
Senator Olson

The House members of the Conference Committee were appointed May 3 (page 798).

The Speaker announced that with appointment of the Conference Committee on the operating budget, Rule 23(d) of the Uniform Rules is in effect as of May 6.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

HJR 19

The Community & Regional Affairs Committee considered:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 19

Urging the United States Congress to fully fund the United States Census Bureau for the 2020 Census; urging the governor to prioritize an accurate count for the 2020 Census; and urging local governments to establish local complete count commissions.

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 19(TRB)
(same title)

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

Do pass (5): Claman, Kreiss-Tomkins, Thompson, Drummond, Hannan

No recommendation (2): Jackson, Revak

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHJR 19(TRB):

1. Zero, House Special Committee on Tribal Affairs

HJR 19 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 31

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 31

"An Act making a special appropriation to the Alaska permanent fund; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 31(FIN)
(same title)

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

Do pass (4): Knopp, Johnston, LeBon, Wilson

Do not pass (1): Carpenter

No recommendation (2): Merrick, Foster

Amend (4): Tilton, Josephson, Ortiz, Sullivan-Leonard

HB 31 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**The presence of Representative Tarr, who was excused (page 823), was noted.

HB 68

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 68

"An Act relating to the division of labor standards and safety; relating to the division of workers' compensation; establishing the division of workers' safety and compensation; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 68(FIN)

"An Act relating to the division of labor standards and safety; relating to the division of workers' compensation; establishing the division of workers' safety and compensation; relating to employment of a minor; and providing for an effective date."

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

Do pass (9): Johnston, Carpenter, Tilton, LeBon, Knopp, Merrick, Sullivan-Leonard, Wilson, Foster

No recommendation (2): Josephson, Ortiz

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 68(FIN):

1. Zero, Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development
3. Fiscal, Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development

HB 68 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

HB 96

The Finance Committee submitted the following report to correct the report submitted on May 6 (page 810) for:

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, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

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

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

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

5. Fiscal, Dept. of Health & Social Services (corrected)
6. Fiscal, Dept. of Health & Social Services

HB 96 is in the Rules Committee.

HB 49

The Finance Committee submitted the following forthcoming committee substitute to accompany its report (page 810):

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 49(FIN)

"An Act relating to criminal law and procedure; eliminating marriage as a defense to certain crimes of sexual assault; establishing the crime of possession of motor vehicle theft tools; relating to electronic monitoring; relating to controlled substances; relating to probation and parole; relating to sentencing; amending the definitions of 'most serious felony,' 'sex offense,' and 'sex offender'; relating to registration of sex offenders; relating to operating under the influence; relating to refusal to submit to a chemical test; relating to the duties of the commissioner of corrections; relating to testing of sexual assault examination kits; relating to reports of involuntary commitment; amending Rules 6(r)(6) and 38.2, Alaska Rules of Criminal Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

HB 49 is in the Rules Committee.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

A report of the Committee on Committees dated May 7 was read submitting amendments to the February 19 report (page 120). An additional report is on page 98. The amendments follow:

Judiciary Committee: Thompson replaced LeDoux

Labor & Commerce Committee: Story replaced LeDoux; Wool changed to Chair

State Affairs Committee: Hopkins replaced LeDoux

HR 4

House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs: Shaw replaced LeDoux as Chair; Spohnholz replaced Tarr

Joint Armed Services Committee: Revak replaced LeDoux

The report was signed by Representative Edgmon, Chair; and Representatives Kopp, Foster, Thompson, Wilson, Johnston, and Stutes.

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adopt the Committee on Committees report.

Representative Eastman objected.

The question being: "Shall the House adopt the Committee on Committees report?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Committee on Committees Report

Adopt

YEAS: 34 NAYS: 3 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, Vance

Excused: Neuman, Tuck, Wool

And so, the Committee on Committees report was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citation was introduced and taken up later as a Special Order of Business:

Honoring - Vic Fischer

By Representatives Fields, Drummond; Senator Coghill

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

Honoring - Richard Beneville

By Representatives Foster, Drummond; Senator Olson

In Memoriam - Ruth Ann Hentges

By Senator Stevens; Representative Stutes

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

HB 153

HOUSE BILL NO. 153 by Representatives Drummond, Story, and Hopkins, 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.

HB 154

HOUSE BILL NO. 154 by Representative Claman, entitled:

"An Act relating to grants to disaster victims."

was read the first time and referred to the Community & Regional Affairs and Finance Committees.

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 122

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 122

"An Act relating to the Funter Bay marine park unit of the state park system; relating to protection of the social and historical significance of the Unangaꝑ cemetery located in Funter Bay and providing for the amendment of the management plan for the Funter Bay marine park unit; and providing for an effective date."

with the:

Journal Page

RES RPT 3DP 3NR

691

FN1: ZERO(DNR)

691

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that HB 122 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage.

There was objection.

HB 122 will advance to third reading on tomorrow's calendar.

HB 126

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 126

"An Act establishing November as Alaska Native Heritage Month."

with the:	Journal Page
TRB RPT 7DP	650
FN1: ZERO(ADM)	650

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that HB 126 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

HB 126 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall HB 126 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 126
Third Reading
Final Passage

YEAS: 36 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 3 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, Rauscher, Revak, Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Vance, Wilson, Zulkosky

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Neuman, Tuck, Wool

And so, HB 126 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 29

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the May 6 calendar (page 814), was read the third time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 29

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

The question being: "Shall HB 29 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 29

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 30 NAYS: 7 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, Jackson, Pruitt, Rauscher, Tilton, Vance

Excused: Neuman, Tuck, Wool

And so, HB 29 passed the House.

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.

HB 29 was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS**HR 7**

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 7

Urging the governor to continue to fully implement the Alaska Tribal Child Welfare Compact and build ongoing partnerships between the state and tribal governments.

with the:	Journal Page
TRB RPT 7DP	649
FN1: ZERO(H.TRB)	649

The question being: "Shall HR 7 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HR 7

Second Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 36 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 3 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, Rauscher, Revak, Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Vance, Wilson, Zulkosky

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Neuman, Tuck, Wool

And so, HR 7 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 citation on the calendar. There being no objection, the following citation was approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring - King Cove School, 1A Boys and Girls Basketball, 2019 State Champions

By Senator Hoffman; Representative Edgmon

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would revert to:

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HB 99

The House Special Committee on Fisheries considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 99

"An Act relating to the development and operation of a hydroelectric site at the Nuyakuk River Falls; providing for the amendment of the management plan for the Wood-Tikchik State Park; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 99(FSH)
(same title)

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

Do pass (4): Vance, Edgmon, Kreiss-Tomkins, Stutes

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 99(FSH):

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Natural Resources

HB 99 was referred to the Resources Committee.

The House advanced to:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

Representative Hannan – from 5:00 a.m., May 24 to 8:00 a.m., June 13

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the notice and publication requirements be waived and the citation, Honoring - Vic Fischer, 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 citation. There being no objection, the following citation was approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring - Vic Fischer

By Representatives Fields, Drummond; Senator Coghill

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**HB 29**

Representative Story added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 29

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

HB 75

Representative Foster added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 75

"An Act relating to funding for Internet services for school districts; and relating to the Alaska higher education investment fund."

HB 113

Representative Revak added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 113

"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."

HB 122

Representatives Tarr and Josephson added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 122

"An Act relating to the Funter Bay marine park unit of the state park system; relating to protection of the social and historical significance of the Unangā cemetery located in Funter Bay and providing for the amendment of the management plan for the Funter Bay marine park unit; and providing for an effective date."

ENGROSSMENT**HB 29**

HB 29 was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 126

HB 126 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 meeting today was changed:

House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs

CHANGED TO:

Call of the Chair

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., May 8. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Crystaline Jones
Chief Clerk