

**HOUSE JOURNAL**  
**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE**  
**THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE**  
**SECOND SESSION**

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Monday**

**February 17, 2020**

**Twenty-eighth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Edgmon at 11:10 a.m.

Roll call showed 36 members present. Representative Tilton had been excused from a call of the House today. District 3 was vacant.

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 Vance – today

Representative Neuman – from today to 10:30 a.m., February 24

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Paulette M. Moreno, Grand President of Alaska Native Sisterhood. Representative Drummond moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Dear Kind and Gracious Heavenly Father,  
Aankaawoo (The Lord God - in Tlingit)

We come before you this time and thank you for your many blessings. May our ancestral homeland and what she provides to us forever be protected, for all people of this great land.

Father, we ask a special prayer today for our state and our traditional Native leaders, that as we work together, we invite your holy presence amongst us. We ask this special blessing of comfort, discernment, and faith. That as decisions are made and matters of great importance are discussed that your guidance intercedes.

Please take care of all those that are hungry, lonely, and those in need of compassion and kindness. Be with them, Father, at this and in all times, as those in position bring forth assistance.

Father, we thank you for this day and we ask that you reach out to all people of our ancestral homeland and all people that are here on this beautiful majestic land that you have created. Amen. Gunalche'esh!

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Thompson.

### **CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL**

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 23rd through 27th legislative days, House Journal Supplement No. 7, House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 13, and Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 14 be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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Representative Talerico introduced Kaitlynne Rice, Guest Page, from Fairbanks.

Representative Hopkins introduced Lauren Bird, Guest Page, from Fairbanks.

Representative Zulkosky introduced Michelle Chris, Guest Page, from Bethel.

Representative Carpenter introduced Maletina M. Uta, Guest Page, from Nikiski.

**MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE**

**HCR 12**

A message dated February 14 was read stating the Senate passed:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

Dedicating Capitol Room 106 in the Alaska State Capitol to the late Senator Bettye J. Davis.

HCR 12 was referred to the Chief Clerk for enrollment.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The following was received:

Dept. of Education & Early Development  
Annual Report  
February 15, 2020  
(as required by AS 14.03.078)

**INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS**

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

In Memoriam - Leo Mark-Anthony  
By Senator Coghill

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

**HB 124**

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 124 by Representative Claman, entitled:

"An Act relating to the recording of documents; relating to notaries and notarization, including notarial acts performed for remotely located individuals; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 248**

HOUSE BILL NO. 248 by Representatives Tuck, Spohnholz, and Drummond, entitled:

"An Act establishing an administrative services division in each department; and relating to the appointment of administrative services directors."

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

**HB 249**

HOUSE BILL NO. 249 by Representatives Stutes, Drummond, Kreiss-Tomkins, and Fields, entitled:

"An Act relating to the Alaska marine highway system; establishing the Alaska Marine Highway System Corporation; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 250**

HOUSE BILL NO. 250 by Representative Hopkins, entitled:

"An Act relating to voter preregistration for minors at least 16 years of age."

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

**HB 251**

HOUSE BILL NO. 251 by Representative Foster, entitled:

"An Act prohibiting the use of certain restrictive provisions in leases of space for business use; and adding an unlawful act to the Alaska Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Act."

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

**HB 252**

HOUSE BILL NO. 252 by Representative Tuck, entitled:

"An Act relating to the reporting of certain information relating to commercially harvested fishery resources; relating to the delegation of authority to fish under a limited entry commercial fishing permit; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 253**

HOUSE BILL NO. 253 by Representatives Kreiss-Tomkins, Edgmon, Hannan, Ortiz, Stutes, Story, and Drummond, entitled:

"An Act relating to the powers of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities; and relating to the sale, transfer, or disposal of state ferries."

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

**HB 254**

HOUSE BILL NO. 254 by Representative Johnston, entitled:

"An Act relating to teacher certification; relating to educator preparation programs; relating to the duties and powers of the Department of Education and Early Development and the state Board of Education and Early Development; relating to teacher qualifications and performance standards; establishing the Alaska Educator Standards Commission in the Department of Education and Early Development; and eliminating the Professional Teaching Practices Commission."

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

**CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR****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 - Joe Leman  
By Representative Vance

Honoring - Homer High School Varsity Volleyball Team, 2019 Alaska  
3A State Champions  
By Representative Vance; Senator Stevens

Honoring - National Engineers Week 2020  
By Representatives Story, Hannan; Senator Kiehl

Honoring - Dimond High School, Girls Swimming and Diving 2019  
State Champions  
By Senator Costello; Representative Rasmussen

Honoring - Dimond High School, Boys Cross Country Running 2019  
State Champions  
By Senator Costello; Representative Rasmussen

Honoring - West Anchorage High School, Tennis Team 2019 State  
Co-Champions  
By Senator Costello; Representatives Claman, Drummond

In Memoriam - Connie Parks-Karl  
By Senator Coghill; Representatives Talerico, Hopkins

**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:

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Representative Rasmussen – from 5:00 p.m., February 19 to 8:00 a.m., February 23

Representative Drummond – from 10:00 a.m., February 20 to 8:00 a.m., February 23

Representative Kreiss-Tomkins – from 6:00 p.m., February 20 to 10:00 a.m., February 24

Representative Jackson – from 8:00 p.m., February 20 to 1:00 p.m., February 23

Representative Merrick – from 5:00 p.m., February 21 to 10:00 a.m., February 24

Representative Josephson – from 6:00 p.m., February 21 to 11:00 p.m., February 23

Representative Spohnholz – from 6:00 p.m., February 21 to 10:30 p.m., February 23

Representative Knopp – from 6:00 a.m., February 22 to 10:00 a.m., February 24

**HB 186**

The Speaker added a Finance Committee referral for the following:

HOUSE BILL NO. 186

"An Act naming the irene Webber Bridge."

HB 186 was removed from the Rules Committee and referred to the Finance Committee.

**HB 223**

The Speaker added a Finance Committee referral for the following:

HOUSE BILL NO. 223

"An Act naming the Vietnam Helicopter Pilots' Memorial Bridge."

HB 223 was removed from the Rules Committee and referred to the Finance Committee.

**HJR 25**

Representative Kopp added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 25

Encouraging the President of the United States, the United States Congress, and the Governor of the state to assist the National Park Service in its efforts to ensure long-term access into Denali National Park and Preserve by way of the existing roadway.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:45 a.m., February 18 for a joint session. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Crystalline Jones  
Chief Clerk