

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

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Wednesday**

**March 4, 2020**

**Forty-fourth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Edgmon at 10:41 a.m.

Roll call showed 38 members present. Representative Jackson had been excused from a call of the House today.

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 Carpenter – from today to 8:00 a.m., March 9

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Tom Matthews of Douglas Island Bible Church. Representative Drummond moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Respecting the fact that there are diverse religious beliefs represented here today, I appreciate the invitation to open your session with a word of prayer:

Dear Lord:

I thank you for each legislator sitting here today. I thank you that their constituents voted to put them into place. But with that position comes great responsibility as they not only represent their own beliefs and values, but also represent the

will of the people who put them there. That's quite a load for them to carry. Help them to have wisdom as they make their decisions. Help them to be men and women of integrity. Help them to be guided by rules of justice and equity.

Lord, I pray that the principles taught in Micah 6:8 would resonate in each representative here today: *He has told you, O man, what is good; And what does the Lord require of you, But to do justice, to love kindness, And to walk humbly with your God?*

Finally, Lord, I am asking for your help for those in Tennessee going through the trauma of recovery from the tornadoes. People are hurting, beginning to sift through the remains of homes and businesses and are still looking for bodies in the aftermath of the storm. Help them to find all the bodies so the families and friends can have closure. Please, Lord, bring them the help they are going to need to recover. Use insurance and whatever federal or state programs there are to help them. Use religious organizations, friends, and relatives who would come alongside them. Give these victims the strength to deal with their loss and with the grief that some have in losing someone they love.

In the name of Jesus Christ, I lift this prayer today. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Story.

### **CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL**

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 43rd legislative day be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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Representative Vance introduced her daughters, Hannah and Hadassah Vance, Guest Pages, from Homer.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**SB 101**

The State Affairs Committee considered:

SENATE BILL NO. 101

"An Act establishing March 12 of each year as Ashley Johnson-Barr Day."

The report was signed by Representatives Kreiss-Tomkins and Fields, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (6): Vance, Hopkins, Shaw, Story, Kreiss-Tomkins, Fields

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Administration

SB 101 was referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar.

**INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS**

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

In Memoriam - Steve Prescott Stanton

By Senator Micciche

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

**HB 305**

HOUSE BILL NO. 305 by the House Health and Social Services Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to the persons required to report child abuse or neglect or a threat of harm to a child; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 306**

HOUSE BILL NO. 306 by the House Rules Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to deposits into the dividend fund and income of and appropriations from the earnings reserve account; establishing a permanent fund dividend task force; and providing for an effective date."

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

**CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR****SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS****HB 203**

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 203

"An Act relating to transportation of live crab."

with the:

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FSH RPT CS(FSH) 5DP	1538
FN1: ZERO(DFG)	1538
FN2: ZERO(DPS)	1538
RES RPT CS(FSH) 6DP	1677
FN1: ZERO(DFG)	1677
FN2: ZERO(DPS)	1677

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the following committee substitute be adopted in lieu of the original bill:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 203(FSH)  
(same title)

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 203(FSH) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage.

There was objection.

CSHB 203(FSH) will advance to third reading on tomorrow's calendar.

## SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

### SB 144

The following was read the second time:

SENATE BILL NO. 144

"An Act establishing June 7 of each year as Walter Harper Day."

with the:	Journal Page
STA RPT 7DP	1659
FN1: ZERO(ADM)	1659

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that SB 144 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

SB 144 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SB 144 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 144  
Third Reading  
Final Passage

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

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

Excused: Carpenter, Jackson

And so, SB 144 passed the House, was signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and returned to the Senate.

### **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 - 1st Battalion, 501st Infantry Regiment 30th Anniversary  
By Senator Wielechowski; Representatives LeDoux, Spohnholz

### **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 Kopp – from 11:15 a.m., March 5 to 1:00 a.m.,  
March 9

Representative Thompson – from 11:15 a.m., March 5 to 10:00 a.m.,  
March 9

Representative Knopp – from 11:15 a.m., March 5 to 8:00 a.m.,  
March 9

Representative Edgmon – from 7:00 p.m., March 5 to 10:00 a.m.,  
March 9

Representative Hopkins – from 7:00 p.m., March 5 to 1:00 a.m.,  
March 9

Representative Fields – from 11:30 a.m., March 6 to 10:00 a.m.,  
March 9

Representative Josephson – from 6:30 a.m., March 7 to 8:30 p.m.,  
March 8

Representative Kreiss-Tomkins – from 7:30 a.m., March 7 to 1:00 a.m., March 9

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the notice and publication requirements be waived and the citation, In Memoriam - Steve Prescott Stanton, 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:

In Memoriam - Steve Prescott Stanton  
By Senator Micciche

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**HB 263**

Representative Rauscher added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 263

"An Act relating to certain rail properties conveyed to the state under the Alaska Railroad Transfer Act."

**HB 277**

Representatives Lincoln and Hopkins added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 277

"An Act relating to the Alaska Police Standards Council; relating to the Department of Public Safety; and providing for an effective date."

**SB 144**

Representatives Tarr, Tuck, Josephson, and Tilton added as cross sponsors to:

SENATE BILL NO. 144

"An Act establishing June 7 of each year as Walter Harper Day."

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 9:00 a.m., March 5. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

Crystalline Jones  
Chief Clerk