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**Thursday**

**March 26, 2020**

**Sixty-sixth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Edgmon at 11:28 a.m.

Roll call showed 35 members present. Representative Kreiss-Tomkins was absent, and his presence was noted later.

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that Representatives Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, and Rauscher 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 Tilton. Representative Drummond moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

I offer the following prayer with the deepest respect for the faith and religious traditions of all Alaskans:

Heavenly Father, you are my guide, the joy of my heart, the author of my hope, and the object of my love. I come seeking refreshment and peace. Show me mercy, relieve my fears and anxieties, and grant me a quiet mind and an expectant heart, that by the assurance of your presence I may learn to abide in you, who is my Lord and my God.

May your healing hand rest upon me, may your life-giving powers flow into every cell of my body and into the depths of

my soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness and strength for service in your Kingdom. The book of Jeremiah says, *But I will restore you to health and heal your wounds, declares the LORD*, we ask that according to your promise.

Furthermore, Lord God, we ask you according to you word, *Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ, God forgave you.* (Ephesians 4:32)

Lastly, Father, remind all of us of 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy which admonishes us, *First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.*

I pray and ask these things in Jesus' holy name. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Fields.

### **CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL**

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 65th legislative day be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

### **MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**

#### **HB 308**

A message dated March 25 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 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 308(FIN)

"An Act relating to unemployment benefits during a period of state or national emergency resulting from a novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak; and providing for an effective date."

Chapter No. 4, SLA 2020

Effective Date: See Chapter

**SB 74**

A message dated March 25 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:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 74(FIN)

"An Act relating to funding for Internet services for school districts."

Chapter No. 5, SLA 2020

Effective Date: June 23, 2020

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

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

Keith Hamilton  
Lorri van Diest

as members of the Board of Education and Early Development.

Lem Wheelles

as a member of the Professional Teaching Practices Commission.

Cachet Garrett

as a member of the University of Alaska Board of Regents.

The report was signed by Representatives Story and Drummond, Co-chairs; and Representatives Hopkins, Prax, and Tuck.

**SB 241**

The Rules Committee considered:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 241(RLS) am

"An Act extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the novel

coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic; relating to the COVID-19 outbreak; relating to a financing plan; relating to standing orders of the chief medical officer; relating to occupational and professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to fingerprinting requirements; relating to elections in calendar year 2020; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax filings, payments, and penalties; relating to shareholder meetings; relating to the teachers' retirement system and the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska; providing for electronic and videoconference notification, verification, and acknowledgment of documents; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 241(RLS)

"An Act extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic; relating to the COVID-19 outbreak; relating to a financing plan; relating to standing orders of the chief medical officer; relating to occupational and professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to fingerprinting requirements; relating to elections in calendar year 2020; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax filings, payments, and penalties; relating to shareholder meetings; relating to municipal government deadlines; and providing for an effective date."

(HCR 20 – title change resolution)

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

Do pass (2): Thompson, Kopp

No recommendation (4): Johnson, Pruitt, Stutes, Edgmon

The following fiscal note(s) apply to HCS CSSB 241(RLS):

1. Zero, Office of the Governor
5. Indeterminate, Dept. of Military & Veterans' Affairs
6. Zero, Dept. of Public Safety
9. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
10. Fiscal, Dept. of Revenue
11. Zero, Dept. of Revenue
12. Zero, Dept. of Health & Social Services
13. Zero, Dept. of Health & Social Services
14. Zero, Office of the Governor
15. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
16. Zero, Office of the Governor

CSSB 241(RLS) am is on today's calendar.

### **INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS**

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

Honoring - Sean Prince

By Representative Spohnholz; Senators Begich, Wielechowski

Honoring - Nancy Cook Hanson

By Representatives LeBon, Thompson

Honoring - Etheldra Jordan-Davis

By Senator Begich

Honoring - Kevin Ritchie & Kyle Worl

By Senator Kiehl; Representatives Hannan, Story

Honoring - Jamico's Pizzeria

By Senator Begich; Representative Tarr

Honoring - Juneau-Douglas High School, Women's Soccer Team

By Senator Kiehl; Representatives Hannan, Story

Honoring - Juneau Gastineau Channel Little League, Junior All-Star Baseball Team

By Senator Kiehl; Representatives Story, Hannan

Honoring - Muldoon Pizza

By Senator Wielechowski; Representatives LeDoux, Spohnholz

In Memoriam - Rose Lemman MacSwain

By Representative Carpenter; Senator Micciche

### **INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS**

#### **HCR 20**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20 by the House Rules Committee:

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning Senate Bill No. 241, extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic; relating to the COVID-19 outbreak; relating to a financing plan; relating to standing orders of the chief medical officer; relating to occupational and professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to fingerprinting requirements; relating to elections in calendar year 2020; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax filings, payments, and penalties; relating to shareholder meetings; relating to the teachers' retirement system and the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska; and providing for electronic and videoconference notification, verification, and acknowledgment of documents.

was read the first time and taken up later as a Special Order of Business.

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

#### **HB 312**

HOUSE BILL NO. 312 by the House Rules Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to tolling deadlines for actions by state agencies; relating to income determinations for purposes of determining eligibility for certain public assistance programs; relating to forbearance from action against borrowers who owe money on state loans; relating to a temporary moratorium on certain mortgage foreclosures, certain evictions from rental properties, and disconnection of residential utilities; and providing for an effective date."

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

\*\*The presence of Representative Kreiss-Tomkins was noted.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### SCR 14

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the following be taken up:

CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.  
14(RLS)

Authorizing the House of Representatives and the Senate to recess for a period of more than three days.

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall SCR 14 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSCR 14(RLS)

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

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

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

And so, CSSCR 14(RLS) passed the House, was signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and returned to the Senate.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR**

In accordance with Uniform Rule 43(b), the Speaker announced that engrossment may be waived on the bills on today's calendar.

**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS****SB 195**

The following was read the second time:

SENATE BILL NO. 195

"An Act relating to election of a domestic insurer's board of directors."

with the: Journal Page

L&C RPT 6DP	1995
FN1: ZERO(CED)	1995

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that SB 195 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

SB 195 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SB 195 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 195

Third Reading

Final Passage

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

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



Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

And so, SB 195 passed the House, was signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and returned to the Senate.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would recess to a call of the Chair; and so, the House recessed at 11:46 a.m.

### **AFTER RECESS**

The Speaker called the House back to order at 2:27 p.m.

### **SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS**

#### **SB 241**

The following was read the second time:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 241(RLS) am

"An Act extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic; relating to the COVID-19 outbreak; relating to a financing plan; relating to standing orders of the chief medical officer; relating to occupational and professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to fingerprinting requirements; relating to elections in calendar year 2020; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax filings, payments, and penalties; relating to shareholder meetings; relating to the teachers' retirement system and the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska; providing for electronic and videoconference notification, verification, and acknowledgment of documents; and providing for an effective date."

(HCR 20 – title change resolution)

with the:

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2097

FN1: ZERO(GOV)

2097

FN5: INDETERMINATE(MVA)	2097
FN6: ZERO(DPS)	2097
FN9: ZERO(CED)	2097
FN10: (REV)	2097
FN11: ZERO(REV)	2097
FN12: ZERO(DHS)	2097
FN13: ZERO(DHS)	2097
FN14: ZERO(GOV)	2097
FN15: ZERO(CED)	2097
FN16: ZERO(GOV)	2097

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

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 241(RLS)

"An Act extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic; relating to the COVID-19 outbreak; relating to a financing plan; relating to standing orders of the chief medical officer; relating to occupational and professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to fingerprinting requirements; relating to elections in calendar year 2020; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax filings, payments, and penalties; relating to shareholder meetings; relating to municipal government deadlines; and providing for an effective date."

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 1 was not offered.

Amendment No. 2 was offered by Representatives Fields, Spohnholz, LeDoux, Merrick, Ortiz, Hopkins, Wool, Shaw, Drummond, and Tuck:

Page 1, line 8, following "**deadlines;**" (title amendment):

Insert "**relating to the Alaska regional economic assistance program;**"

Page 10, following line 17:

Insert a new bill section to read:

**\* Sec. 14.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

ALASKA REGIONAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. (a) Notwithstanding AS 44.33.896, the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development may make grants to organizations for distribution as financial assistance to businesses to assist a business in paying employees to avoid workforce reductions. The Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development shall distribute grants under this subsection among qualified organizations based on regional population.

(b) An organization that receives a grant under (a) of this section shall

(1) develop an application procedure for a business to apply for financial assistance;

(2) determine the amount of financial assistance for distribution to a business based on the size, assets, resources, financial history, and needs of the business; and

(3) provide information requested by the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development for purposes of the report compiled under AS 44.33.896(e).

(c) In this section, "organization" has the meaning given in AS 44.33.896."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 10, line 18:

Delete "6 - 13"

Insert "6 - 14"

Representative Fields moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 2 be adopted.

Representative Prax objected.

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 2 was offered by Representative LeDoux:

Page 1, line 11:

Delete "to assist a business in paying employees to avoid workforce reductions"

Insert "with operating expenses during the COVID-19 disaster"

Representative LeDoux moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 2 be adopted.

Objection was heard and withdrawn. There being no further objection, Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 2 was adopted.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 2 as amended be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 241(RLS)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 2 as amended

**YEAS: 33 NAYS: 2 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1**

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

Nays: Eastman, Jackson

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Kreiss-Tomkins

Jackson changed from "YEA" to "NAY"

And so, Amendment No. 2 as amended was adopted, and the new title follows:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 241(RLS) am H  
"An Act extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic; relating to the COVID-19 outbreak; relating to a financing plan; relating to standing orders of the chief medical officer; relating to occupational and professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to fingerprinting requirements; relating to

elections in calendar year 2020; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax filings, payments, and penalties; relating to shareholder meetings; relating to municipal government deadlines; relating to the Alaska regional economic assistance program; and providing for an effective date."

Amendment No. 3 was not offered.

Amendment No. 4 was offered by Representatives Spohnholz, Kopp, and Zulkosky:

Page 7, lines 23 - 24:

Delete "an audio-visual, real-time, two-way interactive communication system"

Insert "telehealth as defined in AS 47.05.270(e)"

Representative Spohnholz moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 4 be adopted.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 4 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H

Second Reading

Amendment No. 4

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

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

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Kreiss-Tomkins

And so, Amendment No. 4 was adopted.

Amendment No. 5 was offered by Representatives Josephson, Kopp, and Tuck:

Page 1, line 8, following "**deadlines;**" (title amendment):

Insert "**establishing a conclusive presumption that COVID-19 is an occupational disease for firefighters, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, peace officers, and health care providers;**"

Page 10, following line 17:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"\* **Sec. 14.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

WORKERS' COMPENSATION PRESUMPTION OF COMPENSABILITY. (a) Notwithstanding AS 23.30.121, 23.30.395(2), and 23.30.395(24), an employee who contracts the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is conclusively presumed to have contracted an occupational disease arising out of and in the course of employment if, during the public health disaster emergency declared by the governor under AS 26.23.020 on March 11, 2020, as extended by sec. 2 of this Act, the employee

(1) is employed as a firefighter, emergency medical technician, paramedic, peace officer, or health care provider;

(2) is exposed to COVID-19 in the course of employment;  
and

(3) receives a

(A) COVID-19 diagnosis by a physician;

(B) presumptive positive COVID-19 test result; or

(C) laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis.

(b) In this section,

(1) "emergency medical technician" has the meaning given in AS 18.08.200;

(2) "firefighter" means

(A) a person employed by a state or municipal fire department or who is a member of a volunteer fire department registered with the state fire marshal; or

(B) a person registered for purposes of workers' compensation with the state fire marshal as a member of a volunteer fire department;

(3) "health care provider" has the meaning given in

AS 13.52.390;

(4) "paramedic" has the meaning given in AS 12.55.185;

(5) "peace officer" has the meaning given in AS 11.81.900."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 10, line 18:

Delete "6 - 13"

Insert "6 - 14"

Page 10, lines 26 - 27:

Delete all material and insert:

"RETROACTIVITY. (a) If secs. 1 - 13 of this Act take effect after April 10, 2020, secs. 1 - 13 of this Act are retroactive to April 10, 2020.

(b) Section 14 of this Act is retroactive to March 11, 2020."

Representative Josephson moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 5 be adopted.

Representative Prax objected.

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent to abstain from voting because of a conflict of interest. Objection was heard, and he was required to vote.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 5 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H

Second Reading

Amendment No. 5

**YEAS: 33 NAYS: 3 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 0**

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

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, Prax

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

And so, Amendment No. 5 was adopted, and the new title follows:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 241(RLS) am H  
"An Act extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic; relating to the COVID-19 outbreak; relating to a financing plan; relating to standing orders of the chief medical officer; relating to occupational and professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to fingerprinting requirements; relating to elections in calendar year 2020; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax filings, payments, and penalties; relating to shareholder meetings; relating to municipal government deadlines; relating to the Alaska regional economic assistance program; establishing a conclusive presumption that COVID-19 is an occupational disease for firefighters, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, peace officers, and health care providers; and providing for an effective date."

Amendment No. 6 was offered by Representatives Tarr, Tuck, and Drummond:

Page 9, line 3, following "regulations.":

Insert "The director shall inform Alaskans on how the 2020 elections will be conducted. The director may use mail, email, phone calls, social media, public service announcements, radio advertisements, television advertisements, or web announcements to meet this requirement."

Representative Tarr moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 6 be adopted.

There was objection.

Representative Tarr moved and asked unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment No. 6. There being no objection, it was so ordered.



Amendment No. 7 was offered by Representative Pruitt:

Page 10, line 7:

Delete "AS 10.06"

Insert "AS 10.20"

Representative Pruitt moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 7 be adopted.

Objection was heard and withdrawn. There being no further objection, Amendment No. 7 was adopted.

The Speaker ruled that no further amendments will be accepted past the 15 that have been submitted. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 8 was offered by Representatives Kopp and Tuck:

Page 1, line 8, following "**deadlines;**" (title amendment):

Insert "**relating to allowable absences for the permanent fund dividend;**"

Page 10, following line 17:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"\* **Sec. 14.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

ALLOWABLE ABSENCE FOR THE PERMANENT FUND DIVIDEND. Notwithstanding AS 43.23.005(a)(4) and 43.23.008(d), during the public health disaster emergency declared by the governor under AS 26.23.020 on March 11, 2020, as extended by sec. 2 of this Act, a high-risk individual otherwise eligible for a permanent fund dividend remains eligible to receive a permanent fund dividend if the only reason the individual would be ineligible to receive a permanent fund dividend is that the individual was absent from the state because of the individual's compliance with recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, United States Department of Health and Human Services, regarding nonessential travel. In this section, "high-risk individual" means an individual 65 years of age or older or an individual of any age who has a serious chronic medical condition."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 10, line 18:

Delete "6 - 13"

Insert "6 - 14"

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 8 be adopted.

There was objection.

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 8 was offered by Representatives Tuck, Vance, Spohnholz, Kopp, Talerico, LeDoux, and Eastman:

Page 1, lines 8 - 17:

Delete all material and insert:

"ALLOWABLE ABSENCE FOR THE PERMANENT FUND DIVIDEND. Notwithstanding AS 43.23.005(a)(4) and 43.23.008(d), during the public health disaster emergency declared by the governor under AS 26.23.020 on March 11, 2020, as extended by sec. 2 of this Act, an individual otherwise eligible for a permanent fund dividend who has notified the commissioner of revenue or the commissioner's designee that the individual expects to be absent from the state for a continuous period beginning on or after March 11, 2020, remains eligible to receive a permanent fund dividend if the only reason the individual would be ineligible to receive a permanent fund dividend is that the individual was absent from the state because of conduct, including maintaining a voluntary or compulsory quarantine, related to avoiding or preventing the spread of the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19)."

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 8 be adopted.

Objection was heard and withdrawn. There being no further objection, Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 8 was adopted.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 8 as amended be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H  
Second Reading  
Amendment No. 8 as amended

**YEAS: 33 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 2**

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

Nays: Knopp

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Carpenter, Foster

And so, Amendment No. 8 as amended was adopted, and the new title follows:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 241(RLS) am H  
"An Act extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic; relating to the COVID-19 outbreak; relating to a financing plan; relating to standing orders of the chief medical officer; relating to occupational and professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to fingerprinting requirements; relating to elections in calendar year 2020; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax filings, payments, and penalties; relating to shareholder meetings; relating to municipal government deadlines; relating to the Alaska regional economic assistance program; establishing a conclusive presumption that COVID-19 is an occupational disease for firefighters, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, peace officers, and health care providers; relating to allowable absences for the permanent fund dividend; and providing for an effective date."

Amendment No. 9 was not offered.

Amendment No. 10 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 9, line 6, following "APPLICATIONS.":

Insert "An otherwise eligible individual who failed to file a timely application for a 2019 permanent fund dividend shall, upon submission of their application for a 2019 permanent fund dividend, be considered eligible for any benefit, stimulus, or rebate for which eligibility for a 2019 permanent fund dividend is a prerequisite."

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 10 be adopted.

There was objection.

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent to abstain from voting because of a conflict of interest. Objection was heard, and he was required to vote.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 10 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H

Second Reading

Amendment No. 10

**YEAS: 13 NAYS: 22 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1**

Yeas: Eastman, Gillis, Jackson, Johnson, Kopp, LeBon, LeDoux, Spohnholz, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tilton, Tuck, Vance

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnston, Josephson, Knopp, Kreiss-Tomkins, Merrick, Ortiz, Prax, Pruitt, Shaw, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Thompson, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Carpenter

And so, Amendment No. 10 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 11 was offered by Representative Talerico:

Page 1, line 8, following "**deadlines;**" (title amendment):

Insert "**relating to self-quarantine of out-of-state workers;**"

Page 10, following line 17:

Insert a new bill section to read:

**\* Sec. 14. SELF-QUARANTINE OF OUT-OF-STATE WORKERS.** A person who travels to the state from outside the state on or after the effective date of this Act to engage in employment in the state and who is required to self-quarantine under a standing order issued by the chief medical officer in the Department of Health and Social Services

(1) shall self-quarantine in Ketchikan, Juneau, Anchorage, or Fairbanks;

(2) must remain under the supervision of the person's employer during the period of self-quarantine; and

(3) may not proceed to the person's job site or place of work until the period of self-quarantine has expired."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 10, line 18:

Delete "6 - 13"

Insert "6 - 14"

Representative Talerico moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 11 be adopted.

There was objection.

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 11 was offered by Representatives LeDoux and Hopkins:

Page 1, line 10, following "self-quarantine":

Delete "in Ketchikan, Juneau, Anchorage, or Fairbanks"

Insert "in the place that they have first arrived in the state."

Representative LeDoux moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 11 be adopted.

Representative Knopp objected.

Representative Talerico moved and asked unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment No. 11. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 12 was offered by Representative Kopp:

Page 1, line 8, following "**meetings;**" (title amendment):  
Insert "**relating to corporations;**"

Page 9, line 23, following the second occurrence of "MEETINGS":  
Insert "; CORPORATIONS"

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 12 be adopted.

There was objection.

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 12 was not offered.

Amendment No. 2 to Amendment No. 12 was offered by Representative Spohnholz:

Page 1, following line 5:  
Insert new material to read:

Page 10, line 2:  
Delete "electronic communication"  
Insert "telecommunication"

Page 10, line 3:  
Delete "authorizes and adopts guidelines to govern"  
Insert "adopts or amends bylaws to allow for"

Representative Spohnholz moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 2 to Amendment No. 12 be adopted.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 2 to Amendment No. 12 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H

Second Reading

Amendment No. 2 to Amendment No. 12

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

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

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Fields, Foster

And so, Amendment No. 2 to Amendment No. 12 was adopted.

Amendment No. 3 to Amendment No. 12 was offered by Representatives Spohnholz and Pruitt:

Page 1, following line 5:

Insert new material to read:

"Page 10, lines 7 - 8, following "electronic communication":

Insert "and telecommunication""

Representative Spohnholz moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 3 to Amendment No. 12 be adopted. There being no objection, Amendment No. 3 to Amendment No. 12 was adopted.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 12 as amended be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H

Second Reading

Amendment No. 12 as amended

**YEAS: 34 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1**

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

Nays: Knopp

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Foster

And so, Amendment No. 12 as amended was adopted, and the new title follows:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 241(RLS) am H  
"An Act extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic; relating to the COVID-19 outbreak; relating to a financing plan; relating to standing orders of the chief medical officer; relating to occupational and professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to fingerprinting requirements; relating to elections in calendar year 2020; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax filings, payments, and penalties; relating to shareholder meetings; relating to corporations; relating to municipal government deadlines; relating to the Alaska regional economic assistance program; establishing a conclusive presumption that COVID-19 is an occupational disease for firefighters, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, peace officers, and health care providers; relating to allowable absences for the permanent fund dividend; and providing for an effective date."

Amendment No. 13 was offered by Representative Kopp:

Page 1, line 8, following "**deadlines;**" (title amendment):

Insert "**relating to the Department of Health and Social Services; relating to retail sellers;**"

Page 10, following line 17:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"\* **Sec. 14.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES;  
RETAIL SELLERS. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for



the duration of the public health disaster emergency declared by the governor under AS 26.23.020 on March 11, 2020, as extended by sec. 2 of this Act, the Department of Health and Social Services may, in coordination with the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs, establish sanitation procedures for retail sellers. In this section, "retail seller" includes a market, grocery store, convenience store, drug store, or similar establishment that

(1) is located in a permanent building; and

(2) sells to consumers household supplies, perishable items, or food merchandise, including meat, produce, dairy products, or snack foods."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 10, line 18:

Delete "6 - 13"

Insert "6 - 14"

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 13 be adopted.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 13 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H

Second Reading

Amendment No. 13

**YEAS: 33 NAYS: 2 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1**

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

Nays: Eastman, Knopp

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Foster

And so, Amendment No. 13 was adopted, and the new title follows:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 241(RLS) am H  
"An Act extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic; relating to the COVID-19 outbreak; relating to a financing plan; relating to standing orders of the chief medical officer; relating to occupational and professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to fingerprinting requirements; relating to elections in calendar year 2020; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax filings, payments, and penalties; relating to shareholder meetings; relating to corporations; relating to municipal government deadlines; relating to the Alaska regional economic assistance program; establishing a conclusive presumption that COVID-19 is an occupational disease for firefighters, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, peace officers, and health care providers; relating to allowable absences for the permanent fund dividend; relating to the Department of Health and Social Services; relating to retail sellers; and providing for an effective date."

Amendment No. 14 was offered by Representatives Spohnholz, Fields, Kopp, Stutes, and Tarr:

Page 1, line 8, following "**deadlines;**" (title amendment):

Insert "**tolling deadlines for action by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska; relating to disconnection of utility service for nonpayment; relating to power cost equalization; relating to regulatory assets of a utility; relating to evictions;**"

Page 10, following line 17:

Insert new bill sections to read:

"\* **Sec. 14.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

TOLLING DEADLINES FOR ACTION BY THE  
REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA DURING THE

COVID-19 OUTBREAK. Notwithstanding a contrary provision of AS 42, including a provision of AS 42.05 or AS 42.08, during the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) public health disaster emergency declared by the governor on March 11, 2020, as extended by sec. 2 of this Act, all statutory and regulatory deadlines for action by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska are tolled and failure by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska to act on a filing does not constitute approval or dismissal by the commission. This section does not apply to a statutory or regulatory deadline extended by the commission before March 11, 2020, for good cause under AS 42.05.175(f).

\* **Sec. 15.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

**MORATORIUM ON DISCONNECTION OF RESIDENTIAL UTILITY SERVICE.** (a) During the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) public health disaster emergency declared by the governor on March 11, 2020, as extended by sec. 2 of this Act, a public utility as defined in AS 42.05.990 may not disconnect for nonpayment the residential utility service of a person experiencing financial hardship related to the COVID-19 public health disaster emergency. A public utility shall make reasonable efforts to reconnect utility service to a dwelling that is occupied by a person experiencing financial hardship related to the COVID-19 public health disaster emergency and that is disconnected for nonpayment on or after March 11, 2020.

(b) A person seeking protection under (a) of this section shall, before the emergency declaration expires,

(1) provide to the public utility a signed statement, sworn under penalty of perjury, that the person is experiencing financial hardship related to the COVID-19 public health disaster emergency; and

(2) negotiate and agree to a deferred payment arrangement with the utility.

(c) This section does not relieve a public utility customer of the obligation to pay for utility service or restrict a public utility's ability to recover an amount due.

(d) A utility shall offer a person receiving protection under (a) of this section a deferred payment option allowing repayment over a period of time not shorter than the period of time of the public health disaster emergency declared by the governor on March 11, 2020, as extended by sec. 2 of this Act. The utility may not impose interest or

late fees on a person receiving protection under (a) of this section who fulfills the terms of a deferred payment agreement.

(e) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, the Regulatory Commission of Alaska and the Alaska Energy Authority may not deny a utility otherwise eligible to receive power cost equalization payments on behalf of a utility customer power cost equalization payments for customers receiving protection under (a) of this section.

(f) In this section, "person" means a natural person.

\* **Sec. 16.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

REGULATORY ASSETS FOR UNPAID UTILITY BILLS AND EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES. A utility certificated under AS 42.05 may record regulatory assets, to be recovered through future rates, for uncollectable residential utility bills and extraordinary expenses that result from the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) public health disaster emergency declared by the governor on March 11, 2020, as extended by sec. 2 of this Act. The determination as to whether an extraordinary expense resulted from the COVID-19 public health disaster emergency and the amortization periods for the regulatory assets are subject to approval by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska before recovery occurs through future rates.

\* **Sec. 17.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

MORATORIUM ON EVICTIONS FOR NONPAYMENT OF RENT. (a) During the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) public health disaster emergency declared by the governor on March 11, 2020, as extended by sec. 2 of this Act, the statutory cause of action for forcible entry and detainer for nonpayment of rent under AS 09.45 and any other statutory cause of action that could be used to evict or otherwise eject a person who is a residential tenant for nonpayment of rent is suspended as applied to a person experiencing financial hardship related to the COVID-19 public health disaster emergency.

(b) A person seeking protection under (a) of this section shall, before the emergency declaration expires, provide to the landlord a signed statement, sworn under penalty of perjury, that the person is experiencing financial hardship related to the COVID-19 public health disaster emergency.

(c) Nothing in this section prevents evictions for misconduct, violations of law, or violations of contracts outside of inability to pay

rent; this section may not be construed to increase civil liability in a court of law.

(d) This section does not relieve a person of the obligation to pay rent or restrict a landlord's ability to recover rent due.

(e) In this section, "person" means a natural person."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 10, line 18:

Delete "6 - 13"

Insert "6 - 17"

Representative Spohnholz moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 14 be adopted.

Representative Prax objected.

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 14 was offered by Representative Pruitt:

Page 3, following line 21, insert new material:

**\*Sec. 18.** Section 17 of this Act is repealed June 30, 2020."

Representative Pruitt moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 14 be adopted.

There was objection.

Representatives LeDoux, Johnson, Pruitt, Knopp, Fields, Ortiz, Spohnholz, Drummond, Kreiss-Tomkins, Tuck, Thompson, Josephson, Wool, Stutes, Tilton, Merrick, Carpenter, and Prax moved and asked unanimous consent to abstain from voting because of a conflict of interest. Objection was heard, and they were required to vote.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 14 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H

Second Reading

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 14

**YEAS: 31 NAYS: 4 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1**

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

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, Prax, Tarr

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Foster

And so, Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 14 was adopted.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 14 as amended be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H

Second Reading

Amendment No. 14 as amended

**YEAS: 20 NAYS: 15 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1**

Yeas: Claman, Drummond, Fields, Hannan, Hopkins, Jackson, Josephson, Knopp, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Ortiz, Pruitt, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Thompson, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, Edgmon, Gillis, Johnson, Johnston, Kopp, LeBon, Merrick, Prax, Shaw, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tilton, Vance

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Foster

Gillis changed from "YEA" to "NAY"

Johnson changed from "YEA" to "NAY"

And so, Amendment No. 14 as amended was adopted, and the new title follows:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 241(RLS) am H  
"An Act extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic; relating to the COVID-19 outbreak; relating to a financing plan; relating to standing orders of the chief medical officer; relating to occupational and professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to fingerprinting requirements; relating to elections in calendar year 2020; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax filings, payments, and penalties; relating to shareholder meetings; relating to corporations; relating to municipal government deadlines; relating to the Alaska regional economic assistance program; establishing a conclusive presumption that COVID-19 is an occupational disease for firefighters, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, peace officers, and health care providers; relating to allowable absences for the permanent fund dividend; relating to the Department of Health and Social Services; relating to retail sellers; tolling deadlines for action by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska; relating to disconnection of utility service for nonpayment; relating to power cost equalization; relating to regulatory assets of a utility; relating to evictions; and providing for an effective date."

Amendment No. 15 was offered by Representatives Tarr and Drummond:

Page 9, line 3, following "regulations":

Insert "The director shall inform Alaskans if the calendar year 2020 elections will be held in the same manner as an election by mail under AS 15.20.800. The means to inform Alaskans include, but are not limited to, mail, email, phone calls, social media, public service announcements, radio advertisements, television advertisements, web announcements, or print media."

Representative Tarr moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 15 be adopted.

Representative Carpenter objected.

Representative Johnson moved and asked unanimous consent to limit debate to 2 minutes. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 15 was offered by Representative Tuck:

Following the end of Amendment No. 15 insert the following:

"Page 8, lines 29 - 31:

Delete "the lieutenant governor may, after consultation with the commissioner of health and social services, direct that a primary or statewide special election to be held in the state in calendar year 2020 be held"

Insert "for the duration of the public health disaster emergency declaration issued by the governor on March 11, 2020, the director of the division of elections may conduct all elections""

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 15 be adopted.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 15 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H

Second Reading

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 15

**YEAS: 18 NAYS: 16 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 2**

Yeas: Claman, Drummond, Edgmon, Fields, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Knopp, LeDoux, Ortiz, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Thompson, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, Gillis, Jackson, Johnson, Johnston, Kopp, LeBon, Merrick, Prax, Pruitt, Shaw, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tilton, Vance

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Foster, Kreiss-Tomkins

And so, Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 15 was adopted.



The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 15 as amended be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H

Second Reading

Amendment No. 15 as amended

**YEAS: 21 NAYS: 14 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1**

Yeas: Claman, Drummond, Edgmon, Fields, Gillis, Hannan, Hopkins, Josephson, Knopp, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeDoux, Ortiz, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Thompson, Tuck, Vance, Wool, Zulkosky

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, Jackson, Johnson, Johnston, Kopp, LeBon, Merrick, Prax, Pruitt, Shaw, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tilton

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Foster

And so, Amendment No. 15 as amended was adopted.

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H

Third Reading

Final Passage

**YEAS: 34 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1**

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

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Kreiss-Tomkins

And so, HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H 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.

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

### **SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

#### **HCR 20**

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the following be taken up as a Special Order of Business:

#### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning Senate Bill No. 241, extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic; relating to the COVID-19 outbreak; relating to a financing plan; relating to standing orders of the chief medical officer; relating to occupational and professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to fingerprinting requirements; relating to elections in calendar year 2020; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax filings, payments, and penalties; relating to shareholder meetings; relating to the teachers' retirement system and the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska; and providing for electronic and videoconference notification, verification, and acknowledgment of documents.

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall HCR 20 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCR 20

Special Order of Business

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

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

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Kreiss-Tomkins

And so, HCR 20 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

### **THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS**

#### **HB 146**

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the March 25 calendar (page 2078), was read the third time:

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO.  
146(JUD)

"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."

Representative LeDoux moved and asked unanimous consent that CSSSHB 146(JUD) be returned to second reading for the specific purpose of considering Amendment No. 1.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall CSSSHB 146(JUD) be returned to second reading for the specific purpose of considering Amendment No. 1?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSSHB 146(JUD)

Third Reading

Return to Second for Amendment No. 1

**YEAS: 32 NAYS: 2 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 2**

Yeas: Carpenter, Claman, Drummond, Eastman, Fields, Foster, Gillis, Hannan, Hopkins, Jackson, Johnson, Johnston, Josephson, Knopp, Kopp, LeBon, LeDoux, Merrick, Ortiz, Prax, Pruitt, Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vance, Wool, Zulkosky

Nays: Edgmon, Stutes

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Kreiss-Tomkins, Tarr

And so, CSSSHB 146(JUD) was returned to second reading.

Amendment No. 1 was offered by Representative LeDoux:

Page 2, lines 18 - 27:

Delete all material.

Renumber the following bill section accordingly.

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

Representative Claman objected.

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

CSSSHB 146(JUD)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 1

**YEAS: 14 NAYS: 21 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1**

Yeas: Carpenter, Eastman, Gillis, Johnson, LeDoux, Merrick, Prax, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tarr, Tilton, Tuck, Vance, Wool

Nays: Claman, Drummond, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnston, Josephson, Knopp, Kopp, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon, Ortiz, Pruitt, Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Thompson, Zulkosky

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Jackson

And so, Amendment No. 1 was not adopted.

CSSSHB 146(JUD) was automatically in third reading.

The question being: "Shall CSSSHB 146(JUD) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSSHB 146(JUD)

Third Reading

Final Passage

**YEAS: 30 NAYS: 5 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1**

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

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, LeDoux, Prax, Vance

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Jackson

And so, CSSSHB 146(JUD) passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

### **HB 174**

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the March 25 calendar (page 2079), was read the third time:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 174(CRA)

"An Act raising the minimum age to purchase, sell, exchange, or possess tobacco, a product containing nicotine, or an electronic smoking product; and providing for an effective date."

The question being: "Shall CSHB 174(CRA) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 174(CRA)

Third Reading

Final Passage

**YEAS: 27 NAYS: 7 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 2**

Yeas: Claman, Drummond, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Gillis, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnson, Johnston, Josephson, Knopp, Kopp, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon, Merrick, Ortiz, Pruitt, Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Thompson, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, Prax, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tilton, Vance

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Jackson, LeDoux

And so, CSHB 174(CRA) 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.

CSHB 174(CRA) was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

### **THIRD READING OF SENATE BILLS**

#### **SB 134**

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the March 25 calendar (page 2080), was read the third time:

#### SENATE BILL NO. 134

"An Act relating to medical assistance reimbursement for the services of licensed professional counselors; and providing for an effective date."

The question being: "Shall SB 134 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 134

Third Reading

Final Passage

**YEAS: 29 NAYS: 5 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 2**

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Yeas: Carpenter, Claman, Drummond, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Gillis, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnson, Johnston, Josephson, Knopp, Kopp, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon, Ortiz, Prax, Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Nays: Eastman, Merrick, Pruitt, Sullivan-Leonard, Vance

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Jackson, LeDoux

And so, SB 134 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.

SB 134 was signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and returned to the Senate.

**SB 155**

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the March 25 calendar (page 2080), was read the third time:

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 155(RES)

"An Act relating to exploration and mining rights; relating to annual labor requirements with respect to mining claims and related leases; relating to statements of annual labor; defining 'labor'; and providing for an effective date."

The question being: "Shall CSSSSB 155(RES) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSSSB 155(RES)

Third Reading

Final Passage

**YEAS: 33 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 2**

Yeas: Carpenter, Claman, Drummond, Eastman, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Gillis, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnson, Johnston, Josephson, Knopp, Kopp, Kreiss-Tomkins, LeBon, Merrick, Ortiz, Prax, Pruitt,

Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vance, Wool, Zulkosky

Nays: Stutes

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Jackson, LeDoux

Josephson changed from "NAY" to "YEA"

And so, CSSSSB 155(RES) 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.

CSSSSB 155(RES) 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 citations on the calendar. There being no objection, the following citations were approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring - Raymond and Coletta Walker, 50th Wedding Anniversary  
By Representatives Vance, Lincoln

Honoring - Dr. Delores Ilskyalas Churchill  
By Representative Ortiz; Senator Stedman

Honoring - Linda Schandelmeier  
By Representative Hopkins; Senator Kawasaki

Honoring - Christina Tachick, Volunteer of the Year 2019  
By Representative Hopkins

Honoring - Jamie Smith, Artist of the Year 2019  
By Representative Hopkins

Honoring - Jon Huff, Alaska Universal Production  
By Representative Hopkins



Honoring - Daniel Domke, Education Advocate of the Year 2019  
By Representatives Hopkins, Fields

Honoring - Daryll Thompson  
By Representative Edgmon

Honoring - Elaina Mack  
By Representative Edgmon

Honoring - Alaska Vaccine Assessment Program  
By Senators Giessel, Bishop, Wilson, Coghill

Honoring - International Year of the Nurse and Midwife  
By Senators Giessel, Bishop; Representative Spohnholz

Honoring - Women Police of Alaska  
By Senator Revak; Representatives Gillis, Shaw

In Memoriam - Chuck Hawkins  
By Representative Vance; Senator Stevens

In Memoriam - Randall Jay Gamble  
By Representative Kreiss-Tomkins; Senators Stedman, Kiehl

In Memoriam - Wayne Lavern Wilson  
By Senator Wilson

In Memoriam - David Harold Keating  
By Senator Micciche; Representative Knopp

In Memoriam - Dr. John Nels Anderson  
By Senator Micciche; Representative Knopp

In Memoriam - Ronald Albert Malston  
By Senator Micciche; Representative Knopp

In Memoriam - Donnis Thompson  
By Senator Micciche; Representative Carpenter

In Memoriam - Marilyn Conaway  
By Senator Begich; Representative Josephson

### CONCUR IN SENATE AMENDMENTS

#### HB 309

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House consider the Senate message (page 2088) on the following:

HOUSE BILL NO. 309 am

"An Act relating to the procedure for confirmation of the governor's appointments; relating to the board of the Mental Health Trust Authority; and providing for an effective date."

and

SENATE CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 309(RLS)  
(same title)

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Thompson moved that the House concur in the Senate amendment and recommended that the members vote yes.

The question being: "Shall the House concur in the Senate amendment?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS HB 309(RLS)

Concur

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

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

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: LeDoux

And so, the House concurred in the Senate amendment, thus adopting SCS HB 309(RLS).

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.

The Chief Clerk notified the Senate.

The bill was referred to the Chief Clerk for enrollment.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **HB 146**

Representative Story added as a cosponsor to:

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO.  
146(JUD)

"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."

#### **HB 174**

Representatives Hannan, Josephson, Zulkosky, Hopkins, Pruitt, and Story added as cosponsors to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 174(CRA)

"An Act raising the minimum age to purchase, sell, exchange, or possess tobacco, a product containing nicotine, or an electronic smoking product; and providing for an effective date."

#### **SB 134**

Representative Tarr added as a cross sponsor to:

SENATE BILL NO. 134

"An Act relating to medical assistance reimbursement for the services of licensed professional counselors; and providing for an effective date."

#### **SB 155**

Representative LeBon added as a cross sponsor to:

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 155(RES)

"An Act relating to exploration and mining rights; relating to annual labor requirements with respect to mining claims and related leases; relating to statements of annual labor; defining 'labor'; and providing for an effective date."

### **SB 106**

Reconsideration of the following was not taken up on this legislative day. It was signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and returned to the Senate:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 106(L&C)

"An Act relating to renewal of insurance coverage for homeowners and renters; and providing for an effective date."

## **ENGROSSMENT**

### **HCR 20**

HCR 20 was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

### **HB 30**

Reconsideration of the following was not taken up on this legislative day. It was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 30(FIN)

"An Act relating to notice of workers' compensation death benefits; relating to the payment of workers' compensation benefits in the case of permanent partial impairment; relating to the payment of workers' compensation death benefits payable to a child of an employee when there is no surviving spouse; and providing for an effective date."

### **HB 127**

Reconsideration of the following was not taken up on this legislative day. It was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for consideration:

**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 127(FIN)**

"An Act relating to the practice of dental hygiene; relating to advanced practice permits for dental hygienists; relating to dental assistants; prohibiting unfair discrimination under group health insurance against a dental hygienist who holds an advanced practice permit; relating to medical assistance for dental hygiene services; and providing for an effective date."

**HB 146**

CSSSHB 146(JUD) was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

**HB 174**

CSSH 174(CRA) was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

**SB 241**

HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H 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, Uniform Rule 23(d) is in effect as of March 24.

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 27.

There was objection.

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

Adjourn

**YEAS: 31 NAYS: 4 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1**

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

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, Tilton, Vance

Excused: Lincoln, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: LeDoux

And so, the House adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Crystaline Jones  
Chief Clerk