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Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Edgmon at 10:14 p.m.

Roll call showed 36 members present.

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that Representatives Merrick, 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 Josephson. Representative Drummond moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

With the deepest respect for all religious faiths, I offer the following prayer:

Prayers from the Missouri Synod of the Lutheran Church of America: "Prayers for the Community"

Watcher and Keeper of Israel:

Attend your servants who enforce the rule, who serve the sick, who keep the store, who teach the young, who labor at their craft, who minister your word.

Preserve our community from recession and depression, from epidemic and contagion, from misrule and disharmony, from fallout and pollution, from drought and flood, from fire and holocaust.

For Those Who Work in the Medical Arts: We come before you now, O God, with the knowledge that you have created us and are also able to restore us. Because you are the great physician, we pray for those whom you use to perform your works of healing. We rejoice that your spirit leads men and women to become doctors, nurses, dentists, research scientists, medical technicians, orderlies, and hospital staff members. We thank and praise you for the miracles you perform through them. Dear God, keep our minds open to new truths concerning the cause and cure of disease. Help us to realize that our talents and knowledge are gifts from you, to be used to serve all men. Most of all, we ask you to fill the hearts of medical staff people everywhere with your love, your patience, and your compassion.

And, finally from Second Chronicles, Chapter 6, Verse 42, When famine or plague comes to the land, or blight of mildew, locusts or grasshoppers, or when enemies besiege them in any of their cities, whatever disaster or disease may come, and when a prayer or plea is made by any of your people Israel—each one aware of his afflictions and pains, and spreading out his hands toward this temple—then hear from heaven, your dwelling place. Forgive, and deal with each man according to all he does, since you know his heart (for you alone know the hearts of men), so that they will fear you and walk in your ways all the time they live in the land you gave our fathers.

And with these prayers, we say Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Hannan.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 67th legislative day be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the notice and publication requirements be waived and the citations on the first special order citation calendar 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 first special order citation calendar. There being no objection, the following citations were approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring - Dorothy M. Larson By Representative Edgmon

Honoring - The Senate Secretary and Staff By Senator Coghill

Honoring - The Senate Floor Staff By Senator Coghill

In Memoriam - Sharon Sue Sears Russell By Representative Johnson; Senator Hughes

In Memoriam - Eric Benson By Representative Johnson; Senator Wilson

CONCUR IN SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 301

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House consider the Senate message (page 2152) on the following:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 301(L&C)

"An Act relating to certificates of fitness for plumbers and electricians."

and

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 301(L&C) (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 CSHB 301(L&C)

Concur

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

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

Navs: Eastman

Excused: Merrick, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

And so, the House concurred in the Senate amendment, thus adopting SCS CSHB 301(L&C).

The Chief Clerk notified the Senate

The bill was referred to the Chief Clerk for enrollment

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

SB 52

The Finance Committee considered:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 52(FIN) am

"An Act relating to alcoholic beverages; relating to the regulation of manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers of alcoholic beverages; relating to licenses, endorsements, and permits involving alcoholic beverages; relating to common carrier

approval to transport or deliver alcoholic beverages; relating to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board; relating to offenses involving alcoholic beverages; amending Rule 17(h), Alaska Rules of Minor Offense Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representative Johnston, Co-chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (3): Sullivan-Leonard, Ortiz, Johnston

No recommendation (5): Josephson, Carpenter, Tilton, LeBon, Knopp

Amend (1): Wool

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

- 6. Fiscal, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
- 7. Indeterminate, Dept. of Revenue
- 8. Fiscal, Alaska Judiciary System
- 9. Zero, Senate Finance Committee/Combined

CSSB 52(FIN) am is on today's calendar.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would recess to a call of the Chair; and so, the House recessed at 10:22 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

The Speaker called the House back to order at 11:30 p.m.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HB 205

The Conference Committee with limited powers of free conference considering CSHB 205(FIN)(Corrected) am(brf sup maj fld) and SCS CSHB 205 (FIN) am S recommends the following be adopted:

CONFERENCE CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 205

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; making capital appropriations, supplemental appropriations, and reappropriations; making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; making appropriations under art. IX, sec. 17(c), Constitution of the State of Alaska, from the constitutional budget reserve fund; and providing for an effective date."

(SCR 15 – title change resolution)

The report was signed by Representatives Foster (Chair), Johnston, Tilton; and Senators Stedman (Chair), von Imhof, Olson.

A fiscal note packet was attached.

The report was received in the Chief Clerk's office at 10:08 p.m., today.

The report is under Unfinished Business.

SB 241

The Free Conference Committee considering HCS CSSB 241(RLS) am H and CSSB 241(RLS) am recommends the following be adopted:

FREE CONFERENCE CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 241

"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; providing for a financing plan; making temporary changes to state law in response to the COVID-19 outbreak in the following areas: standing orders of the chief medical officer; occupational and professional licensing, practice, and billing; telehealth; fingerprinting requirements for health care providers; elections in calendar year 2020; permanent fund dividend applications and eligibility; state tax filings, payments, and penalties; corporations; state and municipal government deadlines; the Alaska regional economic assistance program; Medicaid and public assistance; workers' compensation; sanitation standards for retail sellers; actions by the Regulatory Commission of Alaska; utilities and residential utility service; power cost equalization; forbearance of specified state loans; foreclosures; evictions; wills; repossessions; access to

federal stabilization funds; seafood purchase and distribution; homelessness; administrative hearings; and liability for issuing, providing, or manufacturing personal protective equipment; and providing for an effective date."

(HCR 20 – title change resolution)

The report was signed by Representatives Kopp (Chair), Spohnholz, Talerico; and Senators Coghill (Chair), Bishop, Begich.

The following fiscal note(s) apply to FCCS SB 241:

- 1. Zero, Office of the Governor
- 5. Indeterminate, Dept. of Military & Veterans' Affairs
- 6. Zero, Dept. of Public Safety
- 11. Zero, Dept. of Revenue
- 17. Indeterminate, Dept. of Administration
- 18. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
- 20. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
- 21. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
- 22. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
- 23. Zero, Office of the Governor
- 24. Fiscal, Dept. of Revenue
- 25. Zero, Dept. of Health & Social Services
- 26. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
- 27. Zero, Dept. of Revenue
- 28. Indeterminate, Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development
- 29. Indeterminate, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
- 30. Zero, Dept. of Health & Social Services
- 31. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
- 32. Zero, Dept. of Administration
- 33. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

- 34. Zero, Dept. of Education & Early Development
- 35. Zero, Dept. of Law
- 36. Zero, Dept. of Health & Social Services

The report was received in the Chief Clerk's office at 10:59 p.m., today.

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that Uniform Rule 42(b) be waived. There being no objection, it was so ordered

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House consider the Free Conference Committee report. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Thompson moved that the House adopt the Free Conference Committee report, thus adopting FCCS SB 241.

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

FCCS SB 241 Adopt

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

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

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Merrick, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Foster

And so, the House adopted FCCS SB 241.

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 was objection.

The question being: "Shall the effective date clause be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

FCCS SB 241 Effective Date

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

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

Excused: Merrick, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Foster

And so, the effective date clause was adopted.

The Chief Clerk notified the Senate

The Senate adopted the Free Conference Committee report March 28.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HB 205

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent to waive Uniform Rule 42(c).

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall the House waive Uniform Rule 42(c)?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CCS HB 205

Waive Uniform Rule 42(c)

Adopt

YEAS: 28 NAYS: 7 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 1

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

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

Excused: Merrick, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

Absent: Foster

And so, the motion passed.

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House consider the Conference Committee with limited powers of free conference report (page 2163). There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Thompson moved that the House adopt the Conference Committee with limited powers of free conference report, thus adopting CCS HB 205.

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

CCS HB 205

Adopt

YEAS: 23 NAYS: 13 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, Gillis, Jackson, Johnson, LeDoux, Prax, Pruitt, Shaw, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tilton, Vance

Excused: Merrick, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

And so, the House adopted CCS HB 205.

Representative Thompson moved that that the appropriations from the constitutional budget reserve fund (Article IX, Section 17(c), Constitution of the State of Alaska) be adopted.

The question being: "Shall the House adopt the constitutional budget reserve fund appropriations?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CCS HB 205

Constitutional Budget Reserve Appropriations

YEAS: 30 NAYS: 6 EXCUSED: 4 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, Jackson, LeDoux, Shaw, Vance

Excused: Merrick, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

And so, the appropriations from the constitutional budget reserve fund were adopted.

Representative Thompson moved the effective date clause.

The question being: "Shall the effective date clause be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CCS HB 205

Effective Date

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, Lincoln, Ortiz, Prax, Pruitt, Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Sullivan-Leonard, Talerico, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vance, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Merrick, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

And so, the effective date clause was adopted.

The Chief Clerk notified the Senate.

The Senate adopted the Conference Committee with limited powers of free conference report March 28.

CCS HB 205 was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment and enrollment.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

SCR 15

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No. 205, making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; and making supplemental appropriations.

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall SCR 15 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCR 15

Special Order of Business

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

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

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Merrick, Neuman, Rasmussen, Rauscher

And so, SCR 15 passed the House, was signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and returned to the Senate.

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

SB 52

The following, which was not taken up from the March 27 calendar (page 2156), was not taken up this legislative day and will be on the next calendar:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 52(FIN) am

"An Act relating to alcoholic beverages; relating to the regulation of manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers of alcoholic beverages; relating to licenses, endorsements, and permits involving alcoholic beverages; relating to common carrier approval to transport or deliver alcoholic beverages; relating to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board; relating to offenses involving alcoholic beverages; amending Rule 17(h), Alaska Rules of Minor Offense Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

SB 115

The following, which was not taken up from the March 27 calendar (page 2156), was not taken up this legislative day and will be on the next calendar:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 115(FIN)(efd fld)

"An Act relating to vehicle registration fees; and relating to the motor fuel tax "

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Representative Thompson requested that members stand for a moment of silence to honor the life of Representative Jackson's mother.

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

SCR 14

Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the House recess pursuant to the following:

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, the House recessed at 1:37 a.m., March 29.

Crystaline Jones Chief Clerk