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First Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Giessel at 3:50 p.m.

The roll showed twenty members present.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Tom Matthews, Douglas Island Bible Church. Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Dear Lord:

I come before you today to lift up this body of Senators. I'm sure they are looking with anticipation on what they hope to accomplish in this session as they represent their various districts. I'm sure they are excited about the paths that are before them. But I also know that as the sessions progress, and they are gone from their families, and living in a community that is not their home, that the enthusiasm for their task will wane a bit over time. I ask that you give them strength and help them to persevere in the various roles they have taken on. Give them insights beyond themselves, that would help them to govern Alaska well. Help them to have unity in spite of their many differences. As they break into committees and evaluate new proposals that could become new laws, give them discerning hearts and minds. Protect them

from any outside influences that would seek to influence them in their decisions. I ask you to bless them as they fulfill their calling. May the decisions that are made be pleasing in Your sight.

Finally Lord, I ask you to give these Senators wisdom beyond themselves. May the kind of wisdom talked about in James 3:17, be given to each person here today.

But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.

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

Senator Reinbold led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the journals for the twenty-second through thirtieth legislative days of the Second Special Session, Senate Journal Supplements No. 5 and No. 6, Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 10 and the Final Supplement for the First Session and the First and Second Special Sessions be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

President Giessel appointed Senator Stedman and Senator von Imhof to inform the Governor that the Senate is ready to do business.

President Giessel appointed Senator Revak and Senator Wilson to inform the House that the Senate is ready to do business.

Messages from the Governor

Executive Proclamation

WHEREAS, under AS 15.40.380, conditions for part-term senate appointment and special election, if a "vacancy is for an unexpired senate term of more than two years and five full calendar months, the governor shall call a special election by proclamation and the appointment shall expire on the date the state senate first convenes or reconvenes following the certification of the results of the special election by the director."

WHEREAS, the untimely passing of Senator Chris Birch, the state senator for Senate District M, on August 7, 2019, created a vacancy in the Senate of the Alaska State Legislature of an unexpired term of more than two years and five full calendar months; and

WHEREAS, the Governor must issue a proclamation calling the special election at least 50 days before the election under AS 15.40.400.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Michael J. Dunleavy, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, hereby proclaim that a special election to fill Senate District M seat will be held at the time of, and in the same manner as, the general election in November of 2020.

Dated: November 20, 2019

/s/

Michael J. Dunleavy
Governor

Amended finance plan dated October 11, 2019, regarding the 2018 North Slope Borough Storm Disaster with an accompanying letter dated November 13, 2019, was received pursuant to AS 26.23.020. The amended finance plan and letter were copied to the Finance Committee Cochairs and are on file in the Senate Secretary's office.

Message dated January 6 was received stating:

Dear President Giessel:

Under the provision of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I hereby request the opportunity to address a joint session of the Thirty-First Alaska State Legislature on Monday, January 27, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. for the presentation of the State of the State Address.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mike Dunleavy
Governor

Messages from the House

Message dated May 15, 2019 was read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 139

HOUSE BILL NO. 139 BY REPRESENTATIVES JOHNSTON, Tuck, Foster, Sullivan-Leonard, Thompson, LeBon, Kopp, Story, entitled:

"An Act providing an exemption from the state procurement code for the acquisition of investment-related services for assets managed by the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation."

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

Message dated January 7 was read stating:

The Senate is invited to meet with the House for the purpose of a Joint Session on Monday, January 27, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. for the presentation of the Governor's annual State of the State Address.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate accept the House invitation to meet in Joint Session. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

Communications

Memorandum dated August 20, 2019, from Jean M. Mischel, Revisor of Statutes, was received stating:

The repeal of AS 47.07.076(c) under sec. 53, ch. 25, SLA 2016, has taken effect August 15, 2019. Under sec. 61(f), ch. 25, SLA 2016, this repeal would only take effect if the Commissioner of Health and Social Services certifies to the revisor of statutes that the United States Department of Health and Human Services certified the Medicaid Management Information System. Under sec. 66, ch. 25, SLA 2016, if the certification is made, the repeal of AS 47.07.076(c) takes effect the day after the certification to the revisor is made. On August 14, 2019, this certification was sent to me. Therefore, the effective date of the repeal of AS 47.07.076(c) is August 15, 2019.

Appointment Confirmation

Letter dated November 14, 2019 to Governor Michael J. Dunleavy was read stating:

Pursuant to Article II, Section 4 of the Alaska Constitution and Alaska Statutes 15.40.330, 15.40.340, the twelve Senate Republicans have met and discussed your nomination of Representative Joshua Revak to fill the vacant seat in Senate District M. I respectfully wish to inform you that Representative Revak achieved the needed support to be

seated. The meeting to confirm Representative Revak to the senate seat occurred on November 2, 2019 at the Anchorage Legislative Information Office.

A swearing in ceremony was performed by Lt. Governor Kevin Meyer on Saturday November 2, 2019.

Signed,

/s/

Senator Cathy Giessel
Senate President

Letter dated August 7, 2019 was read from Joel Bolger, Chief Justice of the Alaska Supreme Court, stating in accordance with AS 24.60.131(b)(3), the following alternate public member has been appointed to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics:

Patrick FitzGerald

President Giessel referred the appointment to the Judiciary Committee.

The following reports are on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate:

Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development
Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority
Interior Energy Project
Quarterly Report to the Alaska State Legislature
October 2019
in accordance with ch. 39, SLA 2015

HB 39

Department of Corrections
Office of the Commissioner
Progress Report on Transition of Inmates into Community Residential Centers, and Inmates onto Electronic Monitoring
Received January 16, 2020
in accordance with ch. 1, FSSLA 2019

Department of Health and Social Services
Division of Behavioral Health and
Division of Health Care Services Joint Report
Medicaid Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) Funding
in SFY2019
in accordance with ch. 17, SLA 2018

Alaska Health Information Exchange
2019 Progress & Recommendations Report
in accordance with AS 18.23.315

Alaska Citizen Review Panel
2018-2019 Annual Report
in accordance with AS 47.14.255

Office of Children's Services
2019 Response to the Citizen Review Panel Annual Report
in accordance with AS 47.14.255

Office of Children's Services
2019 Child Welfare Outcomes and Case Worker Retention Report
November 15, 2019
in accordance with AS 18.05.020

Annual Medicaid Reform Report FY2019
in accordance with AS 47.05.270

Joint Annual Report with Department of Corrections
Recidivism Reduction FY 2019
in accordance with AS 47.38.100

Joint Legislative Report with Department of Law
Fraud, Abuse, Waste, Payment and Eligibility Errors for FY2019
December 2019
in accordance with AS 47.07.076

Department of Law
Federal Laws and Litigation Report
January 15, 2020
in accordance with AS 44.23.020

Civil Division
2019 Alaska Annual Report on Activities of the National
Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, dated
January 6, 2020
from Susan R. Pollard, Chair, Alaska Uniform Law Delegation

Office of the Governor
Alaska Criminal Justice Commission
2019 Annual Report
November 1, 2019
in accordance with AS 44.19.647

Department of Public Safety
2019 Report on Untested Sexual Assault Examination Kits
November 15, 2019
in accordance with AS 44.41.070

Department of Revenue
Treasury Division
Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Report
January 15, 2020
in accordance with AS 06.65.350

Department of Transportation and Public Facilities
Alaska Sustainable Energy Act Annual Report
2019 Progress Report
in accordance with AS 44.42.067

Legislative Affairs Agency
A Report to the Thirty-First State Legislature
Listing Alaska Statutes with Delayed Repeals or Delayed
Amendments and Examining Court Decisions and Opinions of the
Attorney General Construing Alaska Statutes
December 2019
in accordance with AS 24.20.065

Alaska Court System
Annual Report FY 2019
in accordance with AS 22.20.310

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation
Standing Strong Together 2019 Annual Report
in accordance with AS 18.56.200

Fairbanks North Star Borough
Resolution No. 2019 - 45 (Regarding the Proposed Transfer of BP
Pipelines of Alaska Inc. to Harvest Alaska, LLC, a Wholly Owned
Subsidiary of Hilcorp Alaska, LLC)

The following Budget and Audit Reports were received from Kris
Curtis, Legislative Auditor, in accordance with AS 24.20.311 and are
on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate:

Department of Natural Resources
Alaska Seismic Hazards Safety Commission, Sunset Review
March 15, 2019

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development
State Medical Board, Sunset Review
April 26, 2019

Department of Corrections
Board of Parole, Sunset Review
May 8, 2019

Department of Fish and Game
Board of Game Regulatory Process, Special Review
September 23, 2019

**Introduction and Reference of
Senate Resolutions**

SJR 12

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 12 was not introduced.

SJR 13

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13 BY SENATOR HUGHES,

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to abortion.

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

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills

SB 6

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 6 BY SENATORS BEGICH, Kawasaki, Stevens, Olson, Kiehl, entitled:

"An Act relating to early education programs provided by school districts; relating to funding for early education programs; relating to the duties of the Department of Education and Early Development; establishing a reading intervention program for public school students enrolled in grades kindergarten through three; establishing a literacy program in the Department of Education and Early Development; and providing for an effective date."

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

SB 121

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 121 BY SENATOR KIEHL, entitled:

"An Act relating to Alaska Native organizations' family assistance programs."

was read the first time and referred to the Community and Regional Affairs Committee.

SB 128

SENATE BILL NO. 128 BY SENATOR COSTELLO, entitled:

"An Act requiring legislative approval for certain state charges, rentals, and fees related to aviation; and providing for an effective date."

(Prefile released January 10, 2020)

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

SB 129

SENATE BILL NO. 129 BY SENATOR WIELECHOWSKI, entitled:

"An Act relating to the oil and gas production tax; relating to credits against the oil and gas production tax; relating to payments of the oil and gas production tax; relating to lease expenditures and adjustments to lease expenditures; making public certain information related to the oil and gas production tax; relating to the Department of Revenue; and providing for an effective date."

(Prefile released January 10, 2020)

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

SB 130

SENATE BILL NO. 130 BY SENATOR STEVENS, entitled:

"An Act relating to a seafood product development tax credit; providing for an effective date by repealing secs. 32 and 35, ch. 61, SLA 2014; and providing for an effective date."

(Prefile released January 10, 2020)

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

SB 131

SENATE BILL NO. 131 BY SENATOR GRAY-JACKSON, entitled:

"An Act relating to special registration plates for vehicles owned by a person with a disability."
(Prefile released January 10, 2020)

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

SB 132

SENATE BILL NO. 132 BY SENATOR BEGICH BY REQUEST, entitled:

"An Act limiting the pay of certain state officers and employees in the executive branch; and providing for an effective date."
(Prefile released January 10, 2020)

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

SB 133

SENATE BILL NO. 133 BY SENATOR GRAY-JACKSON, entitled:

"An Act relating to testing of sexual assault examination kits; and providing for an effective date."
(Prefile released January 10, 2020)

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

SB 134

SENATE BILL NO. 134 BY SENATOR WILSON, entitled:

"An Act relating to medical assistance reimbursement for the services of licensed professional counselors; and providing for an effective date."
(Prefile released January 10, 2020)

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

SB 135

SENATE BILL NO. 135 BY SENATOR HUGHES, entitled:

"An Act relating to health care insurers; relating to availability of payment information; relating to an incentive program for electing to receive health care services for less than the average price paid; relating to filing and reporting requirements; relating to municipal regulation of disclosure of health care services and price information; and providing for an effective date."

(Prefile released January 10, 2020)

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

SB 136

SENATE BILL NO. 136 BY SENATOR STEVENS, entitled:

"An Act providing for the establishment of public schools through state-tribal compacts."

(Prefile released January 10, 2020)

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

SB 137

SENATE BILL NO. 137 BY SENATOR MICCICHE, entitled:

"An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Parole; and providing for an effective date."

(Prefile released January 10, 2020)

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

SB 138

SENATE BILL NO. 138 BY SENATOR GRAY-JACKSON, entitled:

"An Act relating to correctional facilities; relating to the authority of the commissioner of corrections to designate the correctional facility to which a prisoner is to be committed; and providing for an effective date."

(Prefile released January 10, 2020)

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

SB 139

SENATE BILL NO. 139 BY SENATOR GRAY-JACKSON, entitled:

"An Act establishing the month of March as Women's History Month."

(Prefile released January 17, 2020)

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

SB 140

SENATE BILL NO. 140 BY SENATOR GRAY-JACKSON, entitled:

"An Act establishing the month of September as Hispanic Heritage Month."

(Prefile released January 17, 2020)

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

SB 141

SENATE BILL NO. 141 BY SENATOR GRAY-JACKSON, entitled:

"An Act establishing the month of October as Filipino American History Month."

(Prefile released January 17, 2020)

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

SB 142

SENATE BILL NO. 142 BY SENATOR BEGICH, entitled:

"An Act relating to radiofrequency radiation exposure in schools."

(Prefile released January 17, 2020)

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

SB 143

SENATE BILL NO. 143 BY SENATOR BEGICH, entitled:

"An Act relating to smart meters for natural gas or electric utility service."

(Prefile released January 17, 2020)

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

SB 144

SENATE BILL NO. 144 BY SENATOR BISHOP, entitled:

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

(Prefile released January 17, 2020)

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

SB 145

SENATE BILL NO. 145 BY SENATOR MICCICHE, entitled:

"An Act relating to the registration of commercial fishing vessels; and providing for an effective date."

(Prefile released January 17, 2020)

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

SB 146

SENATE BILL NO. 146 BY SENATOR BEGICH BY REQUEST, entitled:

"An Act relating to cigarettes and cigarette taxation; prohibiting the sale of cigarettes; and providing for an effective date."

(Prefile released January 17, 2020)

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

SB 147

SENATE BILL NO. 147 BY SENATOR GRAY-JACKSON, entitled:

"An Act establishing the month of June as LGBTQ Pride Month."

(Prefile released January 17, 2020)

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

SB 148

SENATE BILL NO. 148 BY SENATOR GRAY-JACKSON, entitled:

"An Act establishing May of each year as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month."

(Prefile released January 17, 2020)

was read the first time and referred to the State Affairs Committee.

SB 149

SENATE BILL NO. 149 BY SENATOR COSTELLO, entitled:

"An Act relating to the start time of a day in session for public high schools."

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

SB 150

SENATE BILL NO. 150 BY SENATOR REVAK, entitled:

"An Act repealing the termination date for the intensive management hunting license surcharge."

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

SB 151

SENATE BILL NO. 151 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act relating to early education programs provided by school districts; relating to funding for early education programs; relating to a department literacy program; relating to a comprehensive reading policy; relating to the duties of the state Board of Education and Early Development; and providing for an effective date."

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

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Education and Early Development

Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Education and Early Development

Fiscal Note No. 3, Department of Education and Early Development

Fiscal Note No. 4, Department of Education and Early Development

Fiscal Note No. 5, zero, Department of Education and Early Development

Governor's transmittal letter dated January 17:

Dear President Giessel:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to literacy and early education titled the “Alaska Reads Act.”

A student’s ability to read is a critical predictor of educational and lifelong success. Children with an early basic knowledge of reading are more likely than their peers to experience later academic success, attain higher levels of education, and secure employment. Sadly, Alaska’s students have scored below the national average in Grade Four reading every year since 2003. Last year, over two-thirds of Pre-Kindergarten to Grade Three students attended schools in Alaska where 50 percent of Grade Three students were proficient in English language arts. A strong reading program, beginning in Kindergarten, continuing into Grade Three, and beyond, gives students the best possible chance to maximize their education.

The Alaska Reads Act would create a statewide comprehensive reading policy designed to improve our children’s reading performance. Comprehensive implementation strategies for reading policies are necessary to ensure early identification of struggling readers and establish intensive reading intervention services for students who need more help to become successful readers. Early identification of students’ reading skills – through assessments, strong reading programs, and additional supports for struggling readers – together form a pathway that leads to student success.

The first program in this bill, for our youngest students, would create an early education grant program for four and five year olds attending school district early education programs. School districts would receive a three-year grant designed to help these programs meet higher state standards, beginning with the lowest performing districts and progressing to encompass all early education programs over the course of ten years.

The second program is a targeted literacy program, designed to improve school literacy programs for young students, from early education through elementary school. As part of the literacy program, the Department of Education and Early Development would employ

reading specialists that will initially focus on Alaska's lowest-performing schools. These specialists would help design reading plans, create school improvement goals, and coach district teachers in order to increase reading performance and outcomes.

The final program in this bill is a comprehensive reading intervention program, designed to increase literacy for children in Kindergarten through Grade Three. First, the Department of Education and Early Development would establish a system of support for districts, including training, methods to monitor progress, and a statewide screening tool the department would administer to students three times every school year. Second, districts would offer students in Kindergarten through Grade Three reading intervention services, including a reading teacher for students with identified reading deficiencies. Districts would create tailored reading improvement plans for identified students and work with parents to improve reading skills both at home and in school. Multiple pathways are provided for students to demonstrate sufficient reading skills for progression to Grade Four, including performance on the statewide reading screening or assessment or an alternative reading assessment as determined by the State Board of Education, or, as evidenced through a student reading portfolio. The legislation also allows for good cause exemptions, which include being a student with a disability who operates with an individualized education plan or a student learning English as a second language.

A comprehensive reading program, beginning in Kindergarten and continuing into Grade Three and beyond, gives students the best possible chance to maximize their education.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mike Dunleavy
Governor

SB 152

SENATE BILL NO. 152 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; 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."

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

Governor's transmittal letter dated January 17:

Dear President Giessel:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the State's operating budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021.

The FY 2021 operating budget totals \$4.397 billion Unrestricted General Funds (UGF), \$894.4 million Designated General Funds (DGF), \$707.6 million Other State Funds, and \$2.866 billion Federal Funds.

This budget makes strategic investments in public safety, honors statutory formula programs by fully funding K-12 education and a full statutory distribution of the Permanent Fund Dividend, while reducing total agency operation spending. My administration continues to seek budget reductions while providing better delivery of services to Alaskans by focusing on state agency operating efficiencies and modernization.

The FY 2021 budget preserves State services at approximately the same level as the current fiscal year (FY 2020).

My administration looks forward to working with the Legislature on the timely passage and implementation of the FY 2021 budget.

January 21, 2020

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Sincerely,

/s/

Mike Dunleavy
Governor**SB 153**SENATE BILL NO. 153 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

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

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

In accordance with AS 37.14.003(b) a report of the differences between the Governor's proposed budget and the recommendations of the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority was transmitted.

Governor's transmittal letter dated January 17:

Dear President Giessel:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the State's comprehensive mental health program for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021. As required by statute, it includes both operating and capital appropriations.

This budget utilizes \$157.8 million in Unrestricted General Funds (UGF), \$52.4 million in Designated General Funds (DGF) and \$17.2 million in Mental Health Trust Authority Funds (Other State Funds).

The FY 2021 proposed mental health budget reflects the requests that were put forward to the Office of Management and Budget by the Alaska Mental Health Trust (Trust). The requests support programs and activities in Trust focus areas that meet the identified treatment and service needs of Trust beneficiaries and areas of system change to improve the lives of beneficiaries. Trust focus areas include housing

and long-term services and supports, beneficiary employment and engagement, substance abuse prevention and treatment, and disability justice.

I look forward to working with the Legislature to produce a FY 2021 mental health budget for Alaska.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mike Dunleavy
Governor

SB 154

SENATE BILL NO. 154 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act making appropriations, including capital appropriations, supplemental appropriations, reappropriations, and other appropriations; making appropriations to capitalize funds; and providing for an effective date."

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

Governor's transmittal letter dated January 17:

Dear President Giessel:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the State's capital budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021.

This budget utilizes \$135.6 million in Unrestricted General Funds (UGF), \$75.5 million in Designated General Funds (DGF), and \$52.7 million in Other State Funds to leverage \$1.1 billion in Federal Funds.

The FY 2021 proposed capital budget makes important investments in projects that generate economic activity for our State, provides matching funds for federal transportation, water and sewer programs, and funds deferred maintenance programs for aging State assets. The

FY 2021 capital budget also supports housing and energy efficiency programs to assist Alaska families, and proposes important resources for the men and women of law enforcement to fulfill their duty to keep our communities safe.

I look forward to working with the Legislature to produce a FY 2021 capital budget for Alaska.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mike Dunleavy
Governor

SB 155

SENATE BILL NO. 155 BY SENATOR BISHOP, entitled:

"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."

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

Unfinished Business

SB 141

Senators Kiehl, Stevens, Stedman, Olson, Begich, Bishop moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on SENATE BILL NO. 141 "An Act establishing the month of October as Filipino American History Month." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Begich moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from evening plane time, February 20 through evening plane time, February 24. Without objection, Senator Begich was excused.

Senator Costello moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from plane time, January 23 through evening plane time, January 26. Without objection, Senator Costello was excused.

SJR 9

Senator Begich moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cosponsor on SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9 Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to an appropriation bill funding public education for grades kindergarten through 12. Without objection, it was so ordered.

SB 6

Senators Gray-Jackson, Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 6 "An Act relating to early education programs provided by school districts; relating to funding for early education programs; relating to the duties of the Department of Education and Early Development; establishing a reading intervention program for public school students enrolled in grades kindergarten through three; establishing a literacy program in the Department of Education and Early Development; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Introduction of Senate Pages

Senator Coghill, Rules Committee Chair, introduced the 2020 Senate Pages as follows:

Senate Pages

Coleman Cosgrove, Juneau

Julia Fonov, Palmer

Jared Leonard, Wasilla

Josphiah "JoJo" Mason, Anchorage

Jacob Pennell, Wasilla

Jessica Pierce, Juneau

Recess

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in recess for the purpose of a Committee on Committees meeting (in accordance with Uniform Rule 23(e)). Without objection, the Senate recessed at 4:39 p.m.

After Recess

The Senate reconvened at 5:33 p.m.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate return to Special Committee Reports. Without objection the Senate returned to:

Special Committee Reports**Committee on Committees Report**

Report dated January 21 was read stating:

Madam President:

Your Committee on Committees has met and submits to the Senate for its consideration the following changes to the Committee on Committees reports previously adopted:

Community and Regional Affairs Committee

Replace Senator Costello with Senator Shower

Appoint Senator Micciche and name him Vice Chair

Education Committee

Appoint Senator Coghill

Name Senator Hughes Vice Chair

Finance Committee

Remove Senator Micciche and remove Senator Shower

Health and Social Services Committee

Replace Senator Coghill with Senator von Imhof and name Senator von Imhof Vice Chair

Replace Senator Stevens with Senator Shower

Judiciary Committee

Replace Senator Shower with Senator Coghill and name Senator Coghill Chair
Name Senator Micciche Vice Chair

Labor and Commerce Committee

Name Senator Bishop Chair
Appoint Senator Revak
Replace Senator Reinbold with Senator Stevens and name him Vice Chair

Resources Committee

Appoint Senator Micciche Chair
Replace Senator Reinbold with Senator Revak

State Affairs Committee

Replace Senator Shower with Senator Revak and name Senator Revak Chair
Replace Senator Reinbold with Senator Costello
Replace Senator Micciche with Senator Wilson

Transportation Committee

Replace Senator Shower with Senator Costello and name her Chair
Name Senator Wilson Vice Chair

Joint Armed Services Committee

Replace Senator Shower with Senator Revak and name Senator Revak Chair
Replace Senator Hughes with Senator Olson

Legislative Budget & Audit Committee

Replace Senator Micciche, alternate, with Senator Wielechowski, alternate

Legislative Council

Replace Senator Costello with Senator Begich

Signing the report: Senator Giessel, Chair; Senators von Imhof, Hoffman, Coghill, Begich.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent to adopt the Committee on Committees report. Senator Reinbold objected.

Senator Coghill rose to a point of order. President Giessel cautioned members to proceed in order. Senator Coghill again rose to a point of order. President Giessel again cautioned members to proceed in order.

The question being: "Shall the Committee on Committees Report be Adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Adopt Committee on Committees Report?

YEAS: 13 NAYS: 7 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski

Nays: Costello, Hughes, Micciche, Reinbold, Revak, Shower, Wilson

and so, the Committee on Committees report was adopted.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., January 22, 2020. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Liz Clark
Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Jan 21 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Jan 23 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

EDUCATION

Jan 21 Tuesday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Jan 23 Thursday Senate Finance 532 3:30 PM

-- Please Note Time & Location --

-- Teleconference Listen Only --

+ SB 6 PRE-K/ELEM ED PROGRAMS/FUNDING; READING

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

+ SB 151 PRE-K/ELEM ED PROGRAMS/FUNDING; READING

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Streamed live on AKL.tv

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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EDUCATION (continued)

Jan 29 **Wednesday** **Capitol 106** **8:30 AM**
 -- Please Note Time & Location --
 - Joint with House Education Committee -
 + Presentation:
 "The State of the University" by UA President
 Jim Johnson
 Detailed Agenda Forthcoming
 -- Teleconference Listen Only --
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

FINANCE

Jan 21 **Tuesday** **Senate Finance 532** **9:00 AM**
 No Meeting Scheduled

Jan 22 **Wednesday** **Senate Finance 532** **9:00 AM**
 + Production Forecast - Department of Natural
 Resources
 - Deputy Commissioner Sara Longan
 - Division of Oil & Gas, Director Tom Stokes &
 Pascal Umekwe, Petroleum Reservoir Engineer

Jan 23 **Thursday** **Senate Finance 532** **9:00 AM**
 + Revenue Forecast - Department of Revenue
 - Acting Commissioner Mike Barnhill
 - Director Dan Stickel, Chief Revenue Economist
 - Director Colleen Glover, Tax Division

Jan 24 **Friday** **Senate Finance 532** **9:00 AM**
 + Status Update - State Debt Summary & Credit
 Review by Deven Mitchell, State Debt Manager

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Jan 22 **Wednesday** **Butrovich 205** **1:30 PM**
 No Meeting Scheduled

Jan 24 **Friday** **Butrovich 205** **1:30 PM**
 No Meeting Scheduled

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JUDICIARY

Jan 22	Wednesday No Meeting Scheduled	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
Jan 24	Friday No Meeting Scheduled	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM

LABOR & COMMERCE

Jan 21	Tuesday No Meeting Scheduled	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
Jan 23	Thursday No Meeting Scheduled	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM

STATE AFFAIRS

Jan 21	Tuesday -- MEETING CANCELED -- -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- Future of Citizens Advisory Commission on Federal Areas Presenters: TBA	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
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Jan 23	Thursday -- MEETING CANCELED -- -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- Department of Corrections Overview	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
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Jan 28	Tuesday Presentation: Future of Citizens Advisory Commission on Federal Areas (CACFA) Presenters TBA -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
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Jan 30	Thursday Overview: Department of Corrections -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
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TRANSPORTATION

Jan 21 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
No Meeting Scheduled

Jan 23 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
No Meeting Scheduled

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

RAILBELT ELECTRIC SYSTEM

Jan 24 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
+ Organizational Meeting
SB 123 ELECTRIC RELIABILITY ORGANIZATIONS
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Jan 27 Monday Senate Finance 532 3:30 PM
-- Please Note Location Change --
+= SB 123 ELECTRIC RELIABILITY ORGANIZATIONS
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Jan 29 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 3:30 PM
-- Please Note Location Change --
+= SB 123 ELECTRIC RELIABILITY ORGANIZATIONS
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Jan 31 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
+= SB 123 ELECTRIC RELIABILITY ORGANIZATIONS
-- Teleconference <Invitation Only> --

JOINT COMMITTEES

JOINT ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE

Feb 06 Thursday Senate Finance 532 12:00 PM

+ Presentations by:
Brigadier General Torrence Saxe, Adjutant General
Alaska National Guard Commissioner,
Alaska Department of Military and Veterans'
Affairs
TBA, Alaska North American Aerospace Defense
Region, Alaska Command, Eleventh Air Force
TBA, U.S. Army Alaska
TBA, Seventeenth U.S. Coast Guard District

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

Jan 22 Wednesday Adams Room 519 1:00 PM

+ -- Teleconference <Listen Only> --
Legislative Audit Contract for IT Review of
State Accounting System
+ Executive Session
- Legislative Fiscal Analyst Interviews
+ Other Committee Business

SELECT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS

Jan 21 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:00 PM

+ -- Please Note Time & Location Change --
Public Comment
+ Review of Committee Rules of Procedure
+ Chair/Staff Report
- Informal Advice Staff Report
- COGEL Reports
- National Conference of State Legislatures
(NCSL) Ethics Training
+ Other Business

VPSO WORKING GROUP

Jan 24	Friday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	2:00 PM
+	Review Draft Report		
	Participants:		
	- Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association		
	- Alaska Village Council Presidents		
	- Bristol Bay Native Association		
	- Tlingit & Haida		
	- Chugachmiut		
	- Copper River Native Association		
	- Kodiak Area Native Association		
	- Kawerak		
	- Northwest Arctic Borough		
	- Tanana Chiefs Conference		
	- Department of Public Safety		

OTHER MEETINGS

MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS

Jan 23	Thursday	Capitol 106	12:00 PM
	Lunch & Learn:		
	"Youth 360 & the Icelandic Model for Youth		
	Substance Abuse Prevention" by Dr. Alfgeir		
	Kristjansson		
	Sponsored by Senator Wilson		
Jan 23	Thursday	Butrovich 205	12:01 PM
	Lunch & Learn:		
	"Trade & Economic Collaboration in the Pacific		
	NorthWest Region" by the Pacific NorthWest		
	Economic Region (PNWER)		
	Sponsored by Senator Costello		
Jan 29	Wednesday	Capitol 106	12:00 PM
	Lunch & Learn:		
	Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education -		
	Alaska Student Loan Corporation: "What We Do -		
	2020 Update: Higher Education in Alaska" by		
	Stephanie Butler, Executive Director; Kerry		
	Thomas, Director of Operations & Patricia		
	Nickell-Zimmerman, Executive Secretary		
	Sponsored by Senator Stevens		