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Forty-second Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Giessel at 11:02 a.m.

The roll showed seventeen members present. Senator Stedman was excused from a call of the Senate. Senators Costello, Kawasaki were absent.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent Senator Costello be excused from a call of the Senate today through March 7. Without objection, Senator Costello was excused.

Senator Begich moved and asked unanimous consent Senator Kawasaki be excused from a call of the Senate today. Without objection, Senator Kawasaki was excused.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Senator Coghill. Senator Coghill moved and asked unanimous consent the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Almighty God, Heavenly Father, as we come before you we are reminded of our privilege in serving this great land. We get to be in your place for our people to do the best we can for this state and we want to express our gratitude for doing that.

Coming in from a restful weekend or visiting with family and friends, we are grateful for them and the support that we have. For those that struggle with infirmity, those that are struggling with whatever issue they have, we ask that you would comfort them today.

Help us do good for Alaska. We are grateful for the privilege to serve our people. We thank you. I pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Senator Reinbold led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the journals for the thirty-ninth through forty-first legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the House

Message dated February 28 was read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 133

HOUSE BILL NO. 133 BY REPRESENTATIVES SPOHNHOLZ, Sullivan-Leonard, Josephson, Tuck, Zulkosky, Rasmussen, entitled:

"An Act relating to care of juveniles and to juvenile justice; relating to employment of juvenile probation officers by the Department of Health and Social Services; relating to terms used in juvenile justice; relating to mandatory reporters of child abuse or neglect; relating to sexual assault in the third degree; relating to sexual assault in the fourth degree; repealing a requirement for administrative revocation of a minor's driver's license, permit, privilege to drive, or privilege to obtain a license for consumption or possession of alcohol or drugs; and providing for an effective date."

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

Consideration of the Calendar**Second Reading of Senate Bills****SB 81**

SENATE BILL NO. 81 "An Act relating to electric and telephone cooperatives; and relating to telephone service and related telecommunications services" was read the second time.

Senator Bishop, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Labor and Commerce Committee Substitute offered on page 1863. Senator Begich objected, then withdrew his objection. There being no further objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 81(L&C) was adopted.

President Giessel stated CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 81(L&C) will advance to third reading on the March 4 calendar.

Third Reading of Senate Bills**SB 115**

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 115(FIN) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 115(FIN) "An Act relating to vehicle registration fees; relating to the motor fuel tax; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 115(FIN)

Third Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 12 NAYS: 5 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kiehl, Micciche, Olson, Revak, Stevens, von Imhof

Nays: Hughes, Reinbold, Shower, Wielechowski, Wilson

Excused: Costello, Kawasaki, Stedman

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 115(FIN) passed the Senate.

Senator Hoffman moved for the adoption of the effective date clauses.

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

CSSB 115(FIN)

Effective Date Clauses

YEAS: 13 NAYS: 4 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kiehl, Micciche, Olson, Revak, Stevens, von Imhof, Wilson

Nays: Hughes, Reinbold, Shower, Wielechowski

Excused: Costello, Kawasaki, Stedman

and so, the effective date clauses failed to be adopted and CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 115(FIN)(efd fld) "An Act relating to vehicle registration fees; and relating to the motor fuel tax" was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

Citations

Honoring – Homer Mariners Hockey Team 2020 Division II State Champions

Senator Stevens

Representative Vance

Honoring – Natural Nails

Senators Gray-Jackson, Revak

Representative Gillis

In Memoriam – Bill Mendenhall

Senator Coghill

Representatives Thompson, LeBon

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the citations be adopted. Without objection, the citations were adopted and referred to the Secretary for transmittal.

Unfinished Business**HB 133**

Senators Begich, Gray-Jackson moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on HOUSE BILL NO. 133 "An Act relating to care of juveniles and to juvenile justice; relating to employment of juvenile probation officers by the Department of Health and Social Services; relating to terms used in juvenile justice; relating to mandatory reporters of child abuse or neglect; relating to sexual assault in the third degree; relating to sexual assault in the fourth degree; repealing a requirement for administrative revocation of a minor's driver's license, permit, privilege to drive, or privilege to obtain a license for consumption or possession of alcohol or drugs; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

SB 90

Senator Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent his name be withdrawn as a cosponsor on SENATE BILL NO. 90 "An Act relating to the powers of the Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission; relating to administrative areas for regulation of certain commercial set net entry permits; establishing a buy-back program for certain set net entry permits; providing for the termination of state set net tract leases under the buy-back program; closing certain water to commercial fishing; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Gray-Jackson moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from afternoon plane time, March 6 through evening plane time, March 8. Without objection, Senator Gray-Jackson was excused.

SB 182

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent President Giessel be shown as a cosponsor on SENATE BILL NO. 182 "An Act raising the minimum age to purchase, sell, exchange, or possess tobacco, a product containing nicotine, or an electronic smoking product; relating to the taxation of electronic smoking products; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Engrossment

SB 115

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 115(FIN)(efd fld) "An Act relating to vehicle registration fees; and relating to the motor fuel tax" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

Adjournment

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., March 4, 2020. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

Liz Clark
Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Mar 03	Tuesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+ SB 194	ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTORS		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
	Streamed live on AKL.tv		
Mar 05	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

EDUCATION

Mar 03	Tuesday	Butrovich 205	9:00 AM
+	Consideration of Governor's Appointees: Board of Education & Early Development		
	- Keith Hamilton		
	- Lorri Van Diest		
+ HB 109	MILITARY CHILDREN SCHOOL RESIDENCY WAIVER		
	-- Teleconference Listen Only --		
	Streamed live on AKL.tv		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Mar 05	Thursday	Butrovich 205	9:00 AM
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Mar 06	Friday	Butrovich 205	9:00 AM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

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RESOURCES

Mar 02 Monday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

- + SB 217 STATE LAND VOUCHER; PFDS
-- Public Testimony --
- + SB 161 GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES
<Bill Hearing Canceled>
-- Public Testimony --
- + HJR 25 ENSURE ACCESS INTO DENALI PARK
-- Public Testimony --
- + SB 159 SALT WATER FISHING: OPERATORS/GUIDES
-- Public Testimony --
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 04 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

- + The State of Alaska's Outdoor Industry:
Unsung Economic Powerhouse by the Alaska Outdoor Alliance
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
- + SB 130 SEAFOOD PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDIT
-- Public Testimony --
- + SB 189 SPORT FISHING ENHANCEMENT SURCHARGE
-- Public Testimony --
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 06 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

- + SB 176 REGULATE PFAS USE; FIRE/WATER SAFETY
-- Public Testimony --
- + SB 232 PERSONAL USE FISHING PERMIT FEES
-- Public Testimony --
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

STATE AFFAIRS

Mar 03 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

- + SJR 18 WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE
-- Public Testimony --
- + HB 83 PROHIBIT VOTING BY FACSIMILE
-- Public Testimony --
- + SB 165 PROSTITUTION/TRAFFICKING; VACATE CONVICT.
-- Teleconference Listen Only --
- + SB 137 EXTEND BOARD OF PAROLE
-- Teleconference Listen Only --
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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STATE AFFAIRS (continued)

Mar 05 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
+ SB 133 SEXUAL ASSAULT EXAMINATION KITS: TESTING
-- Public Testimony --
+= SB 97 ART IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS & FACILITIES
-- Public Testimony --
+ SB 183 ABANDONED VEHICLES; PRIVATE PROPERTY
-- Public Testimony --
+ SCR 11 DECORATION OF HONOR AWARD: GABRIEL CONDE
-- Public Testimony --
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Mar 03 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
No Meeting Scheduled

Mar 05 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
No Meeting Scheduled

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES

ADMINISTRATION

Mar 10 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM
+ Overview

CORRECTIONS

Mar 02 Monday Senate Finance 532 7:45 AM
+ Inmate Health & Rehabilitation
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT

Mar 05 Thursday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM
+ FY21 DEED Budget
Streamed live on AKL.tv

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HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

- Mar 05** **Thursday** **Senate Finance 532** **7:45 AM**
 + Behavioral Health: Behavioral Health Grants,
 Medicaid 1115 Waiver
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

- Mar 06** **Friday** **Senate Finance 532** **7:45 AM**
 + Senior Health: Pioneer Homes, Senior &
 Disabilities Services
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

LABOR & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

- Mar 05** **Thursday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **4:00 PM**
 + -- MEETING CANCELED --
 FY21 Agency Budget

- Mar 12** **Thursday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **4:00 PM**
 + FY21 Agency Budget

- Mar 19** **Thursday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **4:00 PM**
 Will Meet if Needed

NATURAL RESOURCES

- Mar 05** **Thursday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **3:00 PM**
 + FY21 Agency Budget: Mining, Land & Water; Agriculture
 Mining, Land & Water:
 - Status of Permitting Backlog
 - Aquatic Farm Leases - Impacts of DEC Budget
 Cuts on Commercial Shellfish Testing
 Agriculture:
 - Relocating Agriculture Development to Fire
 Suppression, Land & Water
 - Resource - Why Collapse Components?
 - Cuts in Staffing to the Division
 - Agricultural Revolving Loan Fund Program Status
 - Update on Industrial Hemp Program

- Mar 12** **Thursday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **3:00 PM**
 + FY21 Agency Budget

- Mar 19** **Thursday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **3:00 PM**
 Will Meet if Needed

TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES

Mar 04 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 7:30 AM
 -- Rescheduled from 2/26/2020 --
 + Aviation - International & Rural Airports

OTHER MEETINGS

MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS

Mar 02 Monday Butrovich 205 12:00 PM
 Lunch & Learn:
 Rural Tribal Broadband by Dana Shaffer, Deputy
 Bureau Chief of Wireless Telecommunications, FCC
 Sponsored by Senator Kiehl

Mar 03 Tuesday Davis 106 12:00 PM
 Lunch & Learn:
 "Discussion on the Challenges Facing the
 Workforce that Helps Seniors & People with
 Disabilities & the Solutions the Mental Health
 Trust & Partner Organizations are Implementing"
 by:
 - Eric Boyer, Alaska Mental Health Trust
 Authority
 - Kim Champney, Champney Consulting
 - April Kyle, Alaska Behavioral Health
 Association
 - Michael Bailey, Alaska Association on
 Developmental Disabilities
 The Presentation Will be Followed by a Q&A Session
 Sponsored by Representative Story

Mar 04 Wednesday Davis 106 12:00 PM
 Lunch & Learn:
 Alaska Outdoor Alliance - Presenters & Subjects:
 - Lee Hart, Statewide Outdoor Recreation
 Priorities
 - Chris Beck, Statewide Trails Initiative
 - Natalie Dawson, New Tourism Products &
 Regenerative Tourism
 - Dan Blanchard, Adventure Tourism Business
 - Michele Stevens, Snowmachine Community Priorities
 Sponsored by Representative Kreiss-Tomkins

