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Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Giessel at 11:08 a.m.

The roll showed nineteen members present. Senator Costello was absent.

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

Dear Heavenly Father, We'd like to thank you for this glorious day. We'd like to ask you for wisdom, compassion and grace as we move through the next many hours in this building; to look out for each other and our families and loved ones. Amen.

Senator Kiehl led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the journal for the sixty-third legislative day be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the House

SB 55

Message dated March 23 was read stating the House passed and returned:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 55(2d JUD) "An Act relating to judges of the court of appeals; and providing for an effective date."

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

SB 172

Message dated March 23 was read stating the House passed and returned:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 172(L&C) "An Act extending the termination date of the State Medical Board; requiring a report on the State Medical Board's audit compliance; and providing for an effective date."

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

HB 308

Message dated March 23 was read stating the House concurred in the Senate amendment to HOUSE BILL NO. 308 am, thus adopting:

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."

Messages dated March 23 were read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

**First Reading and Reference of
House Resolutions**

HCR 19

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19 BY THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE,

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning Senate Bill No. 120, relating to administration of psychotropic medication to a patient without the patient's informed consent.

was read the first time and held on the Secretary's desk.

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 232

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 232(L&C) BY THE HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to a municipal air quality improvement tax credit; and relating to a municipal energy efficient construction tax credit."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce Committee.

HB 268

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 268(FIN) BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority."

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

Concur Messages**SB 120**

Message dated March 23 was read stating the House passed and returned for consideration CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 120(HSS) "An Act relating to administration of psychotropic medication to a patient without the patient's informed consent; and providing for an effective date" with the following amendment:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 120(HSS) am H "An Act establishing an alternative to arrest procedure for persons suffering from an acute behavioral health crisis; relating to emergency detention for mental health evaluation; relating to administration of psychotropic medication to a patient without the patient's informed consent; relating to licensure of crisis stabilization centers; and providing for an effective date."
(Title Change HCR 19)

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

SB 120

Senator Hoffman moved the Senate concur in the House amendment. Senator Begich objected, then withdrew his objection.

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

CSSB 120(HSS) am H

Shall the Senate Concur in the
House Amendment to CSSB 120(HSS)?
Effective Date

YEAS: 15 NAYS: 4 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Kawasaki, Reinbold, Shower, Wielechowski

Excused: Costello

and so, the Senate concurred in the House amendment, thus adopting CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 120(HSS) am H "An Act establishing an alternative to arrest procedure for persons suffering from an acute behavioral health crisis; relating to emergency detention for mental health evaluation; relating to administration of psychotropic medication to a patient without the patient's informed consent; relating to licensure of crisis stabilization centers; and providing for an effective date."

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the vote on concurrence be considered the vote on the effective date clause. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

HCR 19

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent to take up HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19, which had been held on the Secretary's desk. Without objection, the resolution was before the Senate on final passage.

The question being: "Shall HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19 Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning Senate Bill No. 120, relating to administration of psychotropic medication to a patient without the patient's informed consent, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCR 19

Final Passage

YEAS: 18 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Hughes, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Micciche, Olson, Revak, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Nays: Reinbold

Excused: Costello

and so, HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19 passed the Senate, was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

Recede Messages

HB 205

Message dated March 23 was read stating the House failed to concur in the Senate amendments to CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 205(FIN)(Corrected) am(brf sup maj fld) "An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; making supplemental appropriations; and providing for an effective date" and respectfully requests the Senate to recede from its amendments, namely:

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 205(FIN) am S "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."

In the event the Senate fails to recede, the Speaker has appointed the following members to a Conference Committee to meet with a like committee from the Senate to consider the bills:

Representative Foster, Chair
Representative Johnston
Representative Tilton

Senator Hoffman moved the Senate recede from its amendments and recommended the body vote no.

The question being: "Shall the Senate recede from its amendments?"
The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 205(FIN) am S

Shall the Senate Recede from its Amendments
to CSHB 205(FIN)(Corrected) am(brf sup maj fld)?

YEAS: 0 NAYS: 19 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Nays: Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Hughes, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Micciche, Olson, Reinbold, Revak, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Excused: Costello

and so, the Senate failed to recede.

President Giessel appointed the following members to a Conference Committee to meet with the like committee from the House:

Senator Stedman, Chair

Senator von Imhof

Senator Olson

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

Standing Committee Reports

SB 184

The Resources Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 184 "An Act extending the fishery resource landing tax credit for certain taxpayers that harvest fishery resources under the provisions of a community development quota; providing for an effective date by amending the effective date of sec. 36, ch. 61, SLA 2014; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Micciche, Chair; Senators Kiehl, Bishop, Coghill, Kawasaki. Signing no recommendation: Senator Revak.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Commerce, Community,
and Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Revenue

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

SB 241

Forthcoming fiscal information (page 2227) for the Rules Committee Substitute 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 COVID-19 pandemic; relating to the powers of the director of insurance; relating to standing orders issued by the chief medical officer; relating to professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to board of nursing fingerprint requirements; relating to the 2020 primary and general elections; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax; relating to shareholder meetings; and providing for an effective date" was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 10, Department of Revenue

Fiscal Note No. 11, zero, Department of Revenue

Fiscal Note No. 12, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

Fiscal Note No. 13, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

Fiscal Note No. 14, zero, Office of the Governor

Fiscal Note No. 15, zero, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 16, zero, Office of the Governor

HB 197

The Finance Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 197 "An Act extending the Alaska Seismic Hazards Safety Commission; and providing for an effective date." Signing do pass: Senator Stedman, Cochair; Senators Hoffman, Wielechowski, Bishop. Signing no recommendation: Senators Wilson, Olson.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Natural Resources

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 203

The Resources Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 203(FSH) "An Act relating to transportation of live crab." Signing do pass: Senator Micciche, Chair; Senators Kiehl, Bishop, Coghill. Signing no recommendation: Senators Revak, Kawasaki.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Fish and Game

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Public Safety

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SJR 15

The Resources Committee considered SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 15 Requesting the United States Congress to repeal sec. 20001(b)(5) of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act to honor the Alaska Statehood Act with respect to the state's share of bonuses, royalties, and rentals from exploration and development in the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Signing do pass: Senator Micciche, Chair; Senators Kiehl, Revak, Bishop, Kawasaki, Coghill.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Legislative Agency

The resolution was referred to the Rules Committee.

Consideration of the Calendar

President Giessel stated in accordance with Rule 43(b), Alaska State Legislature Uniform Rules, engrossment may be waived on all bills transmitted to the House this legislative day.

Second Reading of Senate Bills

SB 150

SENATE BILL NO. 150 "An Act repealing the termination date for the intensive management hunting license surcharge" was read the second time.

President Giessel stated SENATE BILL NO. 150 will advance to third reading on the March 25 calendar.

Third Reading of Senate Bills**SB 241**

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent SENATE BILL NO. 241 "An Act extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; relating to the powers of the director of insurance; relating to standing orders issued by the chief medical officer; relating to professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to board of nursing fingerprint requirements; relating to the 2020 primary and general elections; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax; relating to shareholder meetings; and providing for an effective date" be moved to the bottom of today's calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Third Reading of House Bills**HB 96**

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 96(FIN) "An Act relating to Alaska Pioneers' Home and Alaska Veterans' Home payments, rates, and services; and providing for an effective date" was read the third time.

Corrected fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 9, Department of Health and Social Services

The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 96(FIN) "An Act relating to Alaska Pioneers' Home and Alaska Veterans' Home payments, rates, and services; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 96(FIN)

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Dates

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Hughes, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Micciche, Olson, Reinbold, Revak, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Excused: Costello

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 96(FIN) passed the Senate.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the vote on the passage of the bill be considered the vote on the effective date clause. Without objection, it was so ordered and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

HB 106

HOUSE BILL NO. 106 "An Act relating to school bond debt reimbursement" was read the third time.

Senator Kawasaki moved the bill be returned to second reading for the purpose of a specific amendment, that being Amendment No. 1. Without objection, the bill was returned to second reading.

Senator Kawasaki offered Amendment No. 1:

Page 7, line 3:

Delete "50"

Insert "70 [50]"

Page 7, line 10:

Delete "40"

Insert "60 [40]"

Senator Kawasaki moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 1. Senator Reinbold objected.

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

HB 106

Second Reading

Amendment No. 1?

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 13 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Gray-Jackson, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Olson, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, Micciche, Reinbold, Revak, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wilson

Excused: Costello

and so, Amendment No. 1 failed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 106 was automatically in third reading.

The question being: "Shall HOUSE BILL NO. 106 "An Act relating to school bond debt reimbursement" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 106

Third Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 13 NAYS: 6 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, Micciche, Reinbold, Revak, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wilson

Nays: Begich, Gray-Jackson, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Olson, Wielechowski

Excused: Costello

and so, HOUSE BILL NO. 106 passed the Senate, was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate return to Messages from the House. Without objection, the Senate returned to:

Messages from the House

Message dated March 24 was read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Bills**HB 247**

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 247(FSH) BY THE HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES, entitled:

"An Act relating to the fish and game fund; relating to a sport fishing surcharge; providing for an effective date by amending the effective date of sec. 21, ch. 18, SLA 2016; and providing for an effective date."

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

Consideration of the Calendar (continued)**Third Reading of House Bills (continued)****HB 235**

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 235(FIN) "An Act relating to allocations of funding for the Alaska Workforce Investment Board; and providing for an effective date" was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 235(FIN) "An Act relating to allocations of funding for the Alaska Workforce Investment Board; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 235(FIN)

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Hughes, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Micciche, Olson, Reinbold, Revak, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Excused: Costello

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 235(FIN) passed the Senate.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the vote on the passage of the bill be considered the vote on the effective date clause. Without objection, it was so ordered and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

Recess

President Giessel stated the Senate would stand in recess to a call of the Chair. There being no objection, the Senate recessed at 12:15 p.m.

After Recess

The Senate reconvened at 1:48 p.m.

Consideration of the Calendar (continued)

Citations

Honoring – Ardy Robertson
Senator Costello
Representative Claman

Honoring – Angela Rodell
Senators Giessel, von Imhof
Representative Johnston

Honoring – Dr. Rhonda M. Johnson
Representative Tarr
Senator Begich

Honoring – U.S. Women's National Soccer Team
Representative Tarr

Honoring – Richard Iannolino
Representatives Hannan, Story
Senator Kiehl

Honoring – Shelley Lynn Biss
Representative Rasmussen
Senator Costello

Honoring – Credit Union 1
Representative Rasmussen

In Memoriam – Linda Jean Cook Clement
Senator Stedman
Representative Ortiz

In Memoriam – Llewellyn Morris Williams III
Senator Stedman
Representative Ortiz

In Memoriam – Barbara Ann McNeil
Representative Rasmussen
Senator Costello

In Memoriam – Alice Lawrence
Representative Tarr

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

Third Reading of Senate Bills

SB 241

SENATE BILL NO. 241 "An Act extending the March 11, 2020, governor's declaration of a public health disaster emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; relating to the powers of the director of insurance; relating to standing orders issued by the chief medical officer; relating to professional licensing; relating to telemedicine and telehealth; relating to board of nursing fingerprint requirements; relating to the 2020 primary and general elections; relating to permanent fund dividend applications; relating to automatic voter registration; relating to tax; relating to shareholder meetings; and providing for an effective date" which had been moved to the bottom of the calendar, was read the third time.

Senator Coghill moved the bill be returned to second reading for all amendments offered today. Without objection, the bill was returned to second reading.

Senator Coghill, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Rules Committee Substitute offered on page 2227. Senator Begich objected, then withdrew his objection. There being no further objection, 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; and providing for an effective date" was adopted.

Senator Reinbold offered Amendment No. 1:

Page 5, lines 29 - 30:

Delete "the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives"

Insert "each legislator"

Senator Reinbold moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 1. Objections were heard.

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

CSSB 241(RLS)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 1?

YEAS: 8 NAYS: 11 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Hughes, Kawasaki, Micciche, Olson, Reinbold, Shower, Wielechowski, Wilson

Nays: Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kiehl, Revak, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof

Excused: Costello

and so, Amendment No. 1 failed.

Senator Olson offered Amendment No. 2:

Page 7, following line 5:

Insert "(4) not increasing licensing fees."

Senator Olson moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 2. Senator Coghill objected, then withdrew his objection. There being no further objection, Amendment No. 2 was adopted.

Senators Olson, Hughes offered Amendment No. 3:

Page 7, line 29, following "certification;":

Insert "and"

Page 7, line 30, through page 8, line 2:

Delete all material.

ReNUMBER the following paragraph accordingly.

Senator Olson moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 3. Senator Coghill objected, then withdrew his objection. There being no further objection, Amendment No. 3 was adopted.

Senator Begich offered Amendment No. 4:

Page 9, following line 3:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(b) It is the intent of the legislature that the division of elections partner with the University of Alaska and private sector colleges to recruit a younger election workforce."

Reletter the following subsection accordingly.

Senator Begich moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 4. Senator Coghill objected.

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

SB 241

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

CSSB 241(RLS) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 4?

YEAS: 7 NAYS: 11 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Gray-Jackson, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Olson, Stevens, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, Micciche, Revak, Shower, Stedman, von Imhof, Wilson

Excused: Costello, Reinbold

and so, Amendment No. 4 failed.

Senator Begich offered Amendment No. 5:

Page 9, following line 3:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(b) It is the intent of the legislature that the division of elections develop procedures for absentee and questioned ballot review and recounts that allow for social distancing while maintaining a rigorous and transparent process that gives voters, candidates, and parties faith in the integrity of the election."

Reletter the following subsection accordingly.

Senator Begich moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 5. Senator Coghill objected.

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

CSSB 241(RLS) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 5?

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 12 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Gray-Jackson, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Olson, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, Micciche, Revak, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wilson

Excused: Costello, Reinbold

and so, Amendment No. 5 failed.

Senator Begich offered Amendment No. 6:

Page 9, following line 3:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(b) The director of the division of elections shall make reasonable efforts to provide secure roadside ballot deposit boxes for all elections by mail held in the state in calendar year 2020 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."

Reletter the following subsection accordingly.

Senator Begich moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 6. Senator Coghill objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 6 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 241(RLS) am

Second Reading

Amendment No. 6?

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 12 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Gray-Jackson, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Olson, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, Micciche, Revak, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wilson

Excused: Costello, Reinbold

and so, Amendment No. 6 failed.

Senator Begich offered Amendment No. 7:

Page 9, following line 3:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(b) Notwithstanding AS 15.20.081(d) or another provision of law, 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 voter voting in an election by mail held under this section may, without a witness, certify, as prescribed in AS 09.63.020, under penalty of perjury, that the statements in the voter's certification are true."

Reletter the following subsection accordingly.

Senator Begich moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 7. Senator Coghill objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 7 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 241(RLS) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 7?

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 12 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Gray-Jackson, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Olson, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, Micciche, Revak, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wilson

Excused: Costello, Reinbold

and so, Amendment No. 7 failed.

Senator Kawasaki offered Amendment No. 8:

Page 8, line 31, through page 9, line 2:

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 shall conduct all elections"

Senator Kawasaki moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 8. Senator Coghill objected.

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

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

CSSB 241(RLS) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 8?

YEAS: 6 NAYS: 12 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Gray-Jackson, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Olson, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Hoffman, Hughes, Micciche, Revak, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wilson

Excused: Costello, Reinbold

and so, Amendment No. 8 failed.

Senator Kawasaki offered Amendment No. 9:

Page 9, lines 9 - 11:

Delete "An application received after March 31, 2020, is exempt from automatic voter registration under AS 15.07.070(i) - (m)."

Senator Kawasaki moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 9. Senator Wilson objected, then withdrew his objection. There being no further objection, Amendment No. 9 was adopted.

Senator Wielechowski offered Amendment No. 10:

Page 1, line 6, following "**applications**";:

Insert "**relating to repossession of motor vehicles**;"

Page 9, following line 11:

Insert a new section to read:

"* **Sec. 11.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

REPOSSESSION OF MOTOR VEHICLES. Notwithstanding another provision of law to the contrary, 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 creditor or a person acting on behalf of a creditor may not repossess or otherwise take possession of a motor vehicle solely because the debtor is in default under a loan or security agreement or is unable to make a loan or other agreed on payment. In this section, "motor vehicle" has the meaning given AS 28.90.990."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 10, line 4:

Delete "6 - 12"

Insert "6 - 13"

Senator Wielechowski moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 10. Senator Coghill objected. Senator Wielechowski moved and asked unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment No. 10. Without objection, Amendment No. 10 was withdrawn.

Amendment No. 11 was not offered.

Senator Gray-Jackson offered Amendment No. 12:

Page 1, line 8, following "**meetings;**":

Insert "**relating to the teachers' retirement system and the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska;**"

Page 10, following line 3:

Insert a new bill section to read:

*** Sec. 13.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS UNDER THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF ALASKA. (a) Notwithstanding AS 14.25.142(b) and to the extent consistent with 26 U.S.C. 401(a) and 414(d) (Internal Revenue Code), 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 person receiving a

cost-of-living allowance under AS 14.25.142 who has notified the commissioner of administration or the commissioner's designee that the person expects to be absent from the state for a continuous period that first exceeds 90 days on or after March 11, 2020, remains entitled to receive the allowance after the 90-day period for as long as the person is absent from the state because of protective measures, including a voluntary or compulsory quarantine, related to avoiding or preventing the spread of the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

(b) Notwithstanding AS 39.35.480(b) and to the extent consistent with 26 U.S.C. 401(a) and 414(d) (Internal Revenue Code), 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 person receiving a cost-of-living allowance under AS 39.35.480 who has notified the commissioner of administration or the commissioner's designee that the person expects to be absent from the state for a continuous period that first exceeds 90 days on or after March 11, 2020, remains entitled to receive the allowance after the 90-day period for as long as the person is absent from the state because of protective measures, including a voluntary or compulsory quarantine, related to avoiding or preventing the spread of the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19)."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 10, line 4:

Delete "6 - 12"

Insert "6 - 13"

Senator Gray-Jackson moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 12. Objections were heard.

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

CSSB 241(RLS) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 12?

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Hughes, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Micciche, Olson, Reinbold, Revak, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Excused: Costello

and so, Amendment No. 12 was adopted.

Amendment No. 13 was not offered.

Senator Kiehl offered Amendment No. 14:

Page 5, line 4, following "(COVID-19).":

Insert "The chief medical officer may issue standing orders establishing sanitation procedures for retail sellers."

Page 5, line 24, following "section,":

Insert "(1)"

Page 5, line 25, following "AS 18.15.395":

Insert ";

(2) "retail seller" includes

(A) a market, grocery store, convenience store, drug store, or similar establishment that

(i) is located in a permanent building; and

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

Senator Kiehl moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 14. Senator Coghill objected, then withdrew his objection. There being no further objection, Amendment No. 14 was adopted.

Senator Gray-Jackson offered Amendment No. 15:

Page 1, line 8, following "**meetings**,":

Insert "**providing for electronic and videoconference notification, verification, and acknowledgment of documents**"

Page 9, line 27:

Delete "MEETINGS OF SHAREHOLDERS; NOTICE OF SHAREHOLDER MEETINGS."

Insert "ELECTRONIC AND VIDEOCONFERENCE COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORIZED."

Page 10, following line 3:

Insert "(c) Notwithstanding the requirement for in-person notarization, verification, and acknowledgment of a document required by law to be notarized, verified, or acknowledged under AS 09.63, AS 13.26.600, AS 13.52.010, and AS 13.75.010, and notwithstanding the prohibitions under AS 44.50.062, a document may be notarized, verified, or acknowledged by video conferencing between the person who executes the document and the person notarizing, verifying, or acknowledging it.

(d) Notwithstanding AS 13.12.502, a will may be signed, witnessed, and acknowledged in person or by videoconference. Within 60 days after the execution of a will by videoconference, each witness shall sign either the original will signed by the testator or an exact facsimile of the will signed by the testator.

(e) In (c) and (d) of this section, "videoconference" means a conference using technology that enables the testator, notary, or the person making the acknowledgment and the person executing the document and witnesses to, while in different locations, simultaneously communicate orally and maintain visual contact."

Senator Gray-Jackson moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 15. Senator Coghill objected.

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

CSSB 241(RLS) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 15?

YEAS: 10 NAYS: 9 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Gray-Jackson, Hughes, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Olson, Reinbold, Shower, Stevens, Wielechowski

Nays: Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Hoffman, Micciche, Revak, Stedman, von Imhof, Wilson

Excused: Costello

and so, Amendment No. 15 was adopted.

Amendment No. 16 was not offered.

Amendment No. 17 was not offered.

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 241(RLS) am was automatically in third reading.

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent to abstain from voting due to a conflict of interest. Senator Hoffman objected and Senator Hughes was required to vote.

Senator Olson moved and asked unanimous consent to abstain from voting due to a conflict of interest. Senator Hoffman objected and Senator Olson was required to vote.

The question being: "Shall 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" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 241(RLS) am
Third Reading - Final Passage
Effective Date

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Bishop, Coghill, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Hughes, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Micciche, Olson, Reinbold, Revak, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Excused: Costello

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 241(RLS) am passed the Senate.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the vote on the passage of the bill be considered the vote on the effective date clause. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Begich gave notice of reconsideration.

Announcements

Rule 23(d) of the Alaska State Legislature Uniform Rules is currently in effect.

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Engrossment

HB 96

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 96(FIN) "An Act relating to Alaska Pioneers' Home and Alaska Veterans' Home payments, rates, and services; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

HB 235

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 235(FIN) "An Act relating to allocations of funding for the Alaska Workforce Investment Board; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

Enrollment

SB 74

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 74(FIN) "An Act relating to funding for Internet services for school districts" was enrolled, signed by the President and Secretary, Speaker and Chief Clerk and the engrossed and enrolled copies transmitted to the Office of the Governor at 5:40 p.m., March 24, 2020.

Adjournment

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., March 25, 2020. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 3:48 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

Mar 24 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Mar 26 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

EDUCATION

Mar 24 Tuesday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 26 Thursday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 27 Friday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

FINANCE

Mar 24 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

+ HB 247 SPORT FISHING ENHANCEMENT SURCHARGE

Uniform Rule 23 Waived

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+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:

+= HB 41 SHELLFISH PROJECTS; HATCHERIES; FEES

+= HB 197 EXTEND SEISMIC HAZARDS SAFETY COMMISSION

Mar 25 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

+= HB 247 SPORT FISHING ENHANCEMENT SURCHARGE

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Mar 26 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

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Mar 27 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

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FINANCE (continued)

Mar 28 Saturday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

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Mar 29 Sunday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

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+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Mar 25 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

-- MEETING CANCELED --
+ Consideration of Governor's Appointees:
State Medical Board - Larry Daugherty
+= HB 133 JUVENILES: JUSTICE, FACILITIES, TREATMENT
+= SB 238 INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT; PROTECTIVE
CUSTODY
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 27 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

-- MEETING CANCELED --
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY

Mar 25 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM

-- MEETING CANCELED --
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
-- Teleconference --
Streamed live on AKL.tv

JUDICIARY (continued)

Mar 27 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 -- Teleconference --
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LABOR & COMMERCE

Mar 24 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 -- Meeting Postponed to 3/25 at 1:30 p.m. --
 + Consideration of Governor's Appointees:
 Board of Massage Therapists - Kristin Tri
 Labor Relations Agency - Patty Burley
 Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers
 - Wendy Lawrence
 Real Estate Commission - Samuel Goldman
 Board of Professional Counselors - Laura Patin
 + HB 301 ELECTRICIAN & PLUMBER APPRENTICESHIPS
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 Uniform Rule 23 Waived
 + HB 232 MUNICIPAL TAX CREDITS
 -- Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 26 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

STATE AFFAIRS (continued)

Mar 26 **Thursday** **Butrovich 205** **3:30 PM**
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Mar 24 **Tuesday** **Fahrenkamp 203** **8:15 AM**
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 -- Please Note Time & Location --
 + HB 208 RENAMING COLLEGE RD AS ALAN BORAAS RD
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Mar 26 **Thursday** **Butrovich 205** **1:30 PM**
 No Meeting Scheduled

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES

LABOR & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Mar 26 **Thursday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **4:00 PM**
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 + Budget Closeout

Apr 02 **Thursday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **4:00 PM**
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 Will Meet if Needed

NATURAL RESOURCES

Mar 26 **Thursday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **3:00 PM**
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 + Budget Closeout

Apr 02 **Thursday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **3:00 PM**
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 Will Meet if Needed

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TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES

Mar 25 **Wednesday** **Senate Finance 532** **7:30 AM**
-- MEETING CANCELED --
+ Alaska Marine Highway System

JOINT COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

Mar 30 **Monday** **Adams 519** **7:00 AM**
-- Teleconference <Listen Only> --
+ Executive Session
 - Final Audit Release: FY19 Statewide Single
 Audit
 Special Audit Requests
 - Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority
 - Alaska State Commission on Human Rights
 Other Committee Business