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One Hundred Twentieth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Giessel at 9:05 a.m.

The roll showed twenty members present.

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

O god my Father,

Today we come before you grateful to serve our people. Please take the work of our hands and make them a blessing throughout Alaska today.

For those of us who believe that you tasted temptation, trials and the penalty of death on our behalf – and rose from the grave triumphant over death and sin, we are assured that you are interceding in heaven for us.

We take this moment to bring our people in their need before you, for your grace to help in our time of need. Please help us!

I pray in Jesus name,

Amen.

Senator Stevens led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the journal for the one hundred nineteenth legislative day and Senate Journal Supplement No. 10 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Communications

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

Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development
Alaska Comprehensive Health Insurance Association (ACHIA)
Annual Report
January 1, 2018 - December 31, 2018
in accordance with AS 21.55.020

Department of Administration
Division of Risk Management
Self-Insurance Program Actuarial Review as of June 30, 2019
in accordance with AS 37.05.287

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

State of Alaska Single Audit
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

HB 205

The following was received and is on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate:

Letter dated April 3 from the Division of Legislative Finance identifying the fiscal notes included in the packet (page 2325) that accompanied CONFERENCE CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 205 "An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program

expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; making capital appropriations, supplemental appropriations, and reappropriations; making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; making appropriations under art. IX, sec. 17(c), Constitution of the State of Alaska, from the constitutional budget reserve fund; and providing for an effective date" which was adopted by the House and Senate on March 28.

The itemized fiscal notes are as follows:

HB 96 PIONEERS' HOME AND VETERANS' HOME RATES

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

Fiscal Note No. 10, Department of Health and Social Services

HB 197 EXTEND SEISMIC HAZARDS SAFETY COMMISSION

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Natural Resources

HB 247 SPORT FISHING ENHANCEMENT SURCHARGE

Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Fish and Game

SB 47 PHYSICAL/OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY BD/PRACTICE

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

SB 52 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL; ALCOHOL REG

Fiscal Note No. 6, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 8, Alaska Judiciary System

SB 55 APPOINTMENTS TO COURT OF APPEALS

Fiscal Note No. 3, Conference Committee on HB 205

SB 74 INTERNET FOR SCHOOLS

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

SB 115 MOTOR FUEL TAX; EV REG. FEE

Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Administration

Fiscal Note No. 6, Conference Committee on HB 205

Fiscal Note No. 7, Conference Committee on HB 205

Fiscal Note No. 8, Conference Committee on HB 205

Fiscal Note No. 9, Conference Committee on HB 205

SB 120 ADMINISTRATION OF PSYCHOTROPIC DRUGS

Fiscal Note No. 3, Conference Committee on HB 205

Fiscal Note No. 4, Conference Committee on HB 205

SB 134 MEDICAID COVERAGE OF LIC. COUNSELORS

Fiscal Note No. 2, House Finance Committee

SB 155 EXPLORATION & MINING RIGHTS; ANNUAL LABOR

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Natural Resources

SB 241 EXTENDING COVID 19 DISASTER EMERGENCY

Fiscal Note No. 24, Department of Revenue

SB 242 COVID-19: RCA; UNEMPLOY; PUB ASSIST; LOAN

Fiscal Note No. 1, Conference Committee on HB 205

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 243**

SENATE BILL NO. 243 "An Act approving and ratifying the actions of the governor and executive branch in expending certain federal receipts and of the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee in approving the expenditure of certain federal receipts during fiscal years 2020 and 2021; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the bill be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Without objection, it was so ordered.

SENATE BILL NO. 243 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SENATE BILL NO. 243 "An Act approving and ratifying the actions of the governor and executive branch in expending certain federal receipts and of the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee in approving the expenditure of certain federal receipts during fiscal years 2020 and 2021; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 243

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date

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

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

Nays: Reinbold

and so, SENATE BILL NO. 243 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.

SCR 16

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent to take up SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16, which had been held on the Secretary's desk (page 2367). Without objection, the resolution was before the Senate on final passage.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16 Suspending Rules 16, 24(a), 27(c), and 34(c), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; authorizing the presiding officers to allow members to attend a session to address matters related to the COVID-19 public health disaster emergency by videoconference or teleconference in certain circumstances related to the COVID-19 public health disaster emergency; and relating to sessions where members are authorized to attend a session by videoconference or teleconference, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCR 16

Final Passage

YEAS: 20 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

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

and so, SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16 passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

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 May 19 was read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 313

HOUSE BILL NO. 313 BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act approving and ratifying the actions of the governor and executive branch in expending certain federal receipts and of the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee in approving the expenditure of certain federal receipts during fiscal years 2020 and 2021; and providing for an effective date."

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

Unfinished Business

Senator Wilson moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from July 10 through July 18, and from August 15 through September 30. Without objection, Senator Wilson was excused.

Announcements

HB 313

Senator Coghill, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent Uniform Rule 23 be waived on HOUSE BILL NO. 313 "An Act approving and ratifying the actions of the governor and executive branch in expending certain federal receipts and of the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee in approving the expenditure of certain federal receipts during fiscal years 2020 and 2021; and providing for an effective date" for a Rules Committee meeting on May 19 at 11:00 a.m. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Engrossment**SB 243**

SENATE BILL NO. 243 "An Act approving and ratifying the actions of the governor and executive branch in expending certain federal receipts and of the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee in approving the expenditure of certain federal receipts during fiscal years 2020 and 2021; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

SCR 16

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16 Suspending Rules 16, 24(a), 27(c), and 34(c), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; authorizing the presiding officers to allow members to attend a session to address matters related to the COVID-19 public health disaster emergency by videoconference or teleconference in certain circumstances related to the COVID-19 public health disaster emergency; and relating to sessions where members are authorized to attend a session by videoconference or teleconference, 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 8:30 a.m., May 20, 2020. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

Liz Clark
Secretary of the Senate

JOINT COMMITTEES

SELECT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS

May 27 Wednesday 10:00 AM

- Telephonic Only --
- Senate Subcommittee --
- Anchorage Only: 563-9085 -
- Juneau Only: 586-9085 -
- Outside Anchorage or Juneau: 1-844-586-9085 -
- Public Comment
- Motion to go into Executive Session to Discuss Matters which by Law Must Remain Confidential under AS.24.60.160, Uniform Rule 22(b) Regarding Executive Sessions, and Rules of Procedure Section 5: Executive Session and Discussion of Matters, the Immediate Knowledge of Would Adversely affect the Finances of a Governmental Unit, and Discussion of Subjects that Tend to Prejudice the Reputation and Character of a Person
- Executive Session
- Public Session
- Other Business