

**HOUSE JOURNAL**  
**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE**  
**THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE**  
**SECOND SESSION**

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Thursday**

**January 27, 2022**

**Tenth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Stutes at 9:04 a.m.

Roll call showed 37 members present.

Representative Tarr had been excused from a call of the House today.

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the following members be excused from a call of the House. There being no objection, the members were excused as noted:

Representative Rasmussen – from today to 10:00 a.m., January 31

Representative Gillham – today

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Representative Tilton. Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

With respect for all religions, I offer the following prayer:

Lord,

I ask for your guidance and your wisdom to work for the people of Alaska. I ask that you keep our peacekeepers safe, bring them home to the families waiting there for them. I ask that you will watch over our healthcare workers and give them peace in these tumultuous times.

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Father, I ask that you help us bring a healing upon our nation and turn once again toward you. Lord, I ask that I never lose sight of what is right in your eyes and do only that which will glorify you. I ask that you watch over and keep our families safe while we are away from home.

Father, it is our responsibility as legislators to do what is in the best interests of our neighbors, to put aside our personal differences and help each other move forward in a positive manner.

Lord, I ask for your blessings to be over each and every one of us. In the name of Jesus, I pray these things. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative McCabe.

### **CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL**

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

### **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

#### **HB 135**

The Resources Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 135

"An Act relating to geothermal resources; relating to the definition of 'geothermal resources'; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 135(RES)  
(same title)

The report was signed by Representative Patkotak, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (3): Gillham, Rauscher, Patkotak

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No recommendation (6): Schrage, Hannan, Hopkins, Cronk, Fields, McKay

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 135(RES):

3. Zero, Dept. of Natural Resources
4. Fiscal, Dept. of Natural Resources

HB 135 was referred to the Finance Committee.

**HB 183**

The Judiciary Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 183

"An Act renaming the Alaska Criminal Justice Commission the Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission; relating to the membership of the Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission; relating to the powers and duties of the Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission; extending the termination date of the Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission; relating to the duties of the Judicial Council; providing for an effective date by amending the effective date of secs. 41 and 73, ch. 1, 4SSLA 2017; and providing for an effective date by repealing the effective date of sec. 74, ch. 1, 4SSLA 2017."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 183(JUD)

"An Act establishing the Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission; relating to the membership, powers, and duties of the Alaska Criminal Justice Data Analysis Commission; relating to the duties of the Judicial Council; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representative Claman, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Drummond, Kreiss-Tomkins, Snyder, Claman

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Do not pass (3): Eastman, Vance, Kurka

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 183(JUD):

1. Zero, Alaska Judiciary System
2. Zero, Dept. of Health & Social Services
3. Fiscal, Alaska Judiciary System
4. Fiscal, Dept. of Corrections

HB 183 was referred to the Finance Committee.

### **HB 220**

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 220

"An Act relating to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska and the teachers' retirement system; providing certain employees an opportunity to choose between the defined benefit and defined contribution plans of the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska and the teachers' retirement system; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Fields and Spohnholz, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Schrage, Snyder, Fields, Spohnholz

No recommendation (3): McCarty, Kaufman, Nelson

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Indeterminate, Dept. of Administration

HB 220 was referred to the Finance Committee.

### **SB 171**

Representative Edgmon, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent that the following be waived from the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

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**SENATE BILL NO. 171**

"An Act disapproving the recommendations of the State Officers Compensation Commission; and providing for an effective date."

Representative Eastman objected and withdrew the objection. There being no further objection, SB 171 is on today's calendar.

**INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE  
OF HOUSE BILLS**

**HB 291**

HOUSE BILL NO. 291 by Representative Tarr, entitled:

"An Act extending the termination date of the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 292**

HOUSE BILL NO. 292 by Representatives Snyder and Story, entitled:

"An Act relating to home and community-based services; and providing for an effective date."

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

**HB 293**

HOUSE BILL NO. 293 by Representatives Johnson, Rauscher, Kaufman, Tilton, McCabe, Edgmon, Cronk, and Claman, entitled:

"An Act designating green cabbage as the official state vegetable."

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

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**CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR**

**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS**

**SB 171**

The following was read the second time:

SENATE BILL NO. 171

"An Act disapproving the recommendations of the State Officers Compensation Commission; and providing for an effective date."

with the:

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FN1: ZERO(LEG)

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Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that SB 171 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

SB 171 was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SB 171 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 171

Third Reading

Final Passage

**YEAS: 37 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Carpenter, Claman, Cronk, Drummond, Eastman, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnson, Josephson, Kaufman, Kreiss-Tomkins, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Merrick, Nelson, Ortiz, Patkotak, Prax, Rauscher, Schrage, Shaw, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vance, Wool, Zulkosky

Excused: Gillham, Rasmussen, Tarr

And so, SB 171 passed the House.

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Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

SB 171 was signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and returned to the Senate.

## LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citation, In Memoriam - Laura Muktoya Sockpick Evans.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall the House approve the citation, In Memoriam - Laura Muktoya Sockpick Evans?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Approve Citation(s) on the Calendar  
Laura Muktoya Sockpick Evans

**YEAS: 36 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0**

Yea: Carpenter, Claman, Cronk, Drummond, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnson, Josephson, Kaufman, Kreiss-Tomkins, Kurka, LeBon, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Merrick, Nelson, Ortiz, Patkotak, Prax, Rauscher, Schrage, Shaw, Snyder, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vance, Wool, Zulkosky

Nay: Eastman

Excused: Gillham, Rasmussen, Tarr

And so, the following citation was approved and sent to enrolling:

In Memoriam - Laura Muktoya Sockpick Evans  
By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the remaining citations on the calendar. There being no objection, the following citations were approved and sent to enrolling:

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Honoring - Anne Sears

By Representatives Foster, Patkotak; Senator Olson

Honoring - Joanne Grace

By Senator Gray-Jackson; Representative Josephson

In Memoriam - Elliott Bruce Gagnon

By Senator Wilson; Representative Johnson

In Memoriam - Ret. Major Thomas W. Wadzinski

By Senator Wielechowski; Representative Spohnholz

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the following members be excused from a call of the House. There being no objection, the members were excused as noted:

Representative McKay – from 1:00 p.m., February 10 to 10:00 p.m., February 14

Representative Hopkins – from 6:00 a.m., June 6 to 10:00 p.m., June 15

Representative Gillham – from today to 5:00 p.m., February 4

### **HJR 20**

Representative Prax added as a cosponsor to:

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20

Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to state aid for education.

### **HB 218**

Representative Thompson added as a cosponsor to:

#### SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 218

"An Act relating to the inspection and testing of fire dampers, smoke dampers, combination fire and smoke dampers, and smoke control systems; and providing for an effective date."

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### **HB 220**

Representative Hannan added as a cosponsor to:

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 220

"An Act relating to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska and the teachers' retirement system; providing certain employees an opportunity to choose between the defined benefit and defined contribution plans of the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska and the teachers' retirement system; and providing for an effective date."

### **HB 235**

Representative Wool added as a cosponsor to:

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 235

"An Act establishing the Sunday after the first Saturday of March of each year as James 'Hobo Jim' Varsos Day."

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., January 31. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Crystalline Jones  
Chief Clerk