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One Hundred Seventh Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Stutes at 8:03 a.m.

Roll call showed 34 members present. Representatives Kreiss-Tomkins and Snyder had been excused from a call of the House today. Representatives Fields, Rasmussen, Rauscher, and Tarr were absent, and their presence was noted later.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Eugene Harnett of Alaska Holy Community. Representative Thompson moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

With the deepest respect for the religious beliefs of all Alaskans, I offer the following prayer:

Let us bow our heads. Our loving Heavenly Parent, we greet you this morning from the chambers of the Alaska House of Representatives, the people's house. We are gathered here for the greater public good: the elected leaders of Alaska, the support clerks, the pages, the legislative staff, the people of Alaska, and the guests. Before we start today's session, we take a moment, right now, to invite you to be with us. We seek your kind attention to the matters that mean a lot to us. We pray to calm our heart, to quiet our mind and enter your silence. Let us be still for a moment, such that we might overhear your voice that speaks to our inner being.

We know you are always with us. We take this time, this prayerful moment, to be with you.

May you bless this day to the benefit of all Alaskans and to the benefit of your providential will. I report this prayer, in the most holy name under the sun. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Kaufman.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 106th legislative day be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

HR 11

A message dated May 3 was read stating the Governor read the following resolution and is transmitting the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's office for permanent filing:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 11 am

Urging the Washington House of Representatives and the Governor of the State of Washington to reject Senate Bill 5974, imposing a tax of \$.06 per gallon on gasoline and diesel fuel.

House Resolve No. 11

HCR 9

A message dated May 3 was read stating the Governor read the following resolution and is transmitting the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's office for permanent filing:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9

Designating May 1 - 7, 2022, as Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week.

Legislative Resolve No. 11

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message dated May 3 was read stating the Senate passed the following, and it is transmitted for consideration:

FIRST READING AND REFERENCE OF SENATE BILLS

SB 243

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 243(FIN) by the Senate Finance Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to the power cost equalization endowment fund; relating to power cost equalization; and providing for an effective date."

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

**The presence of Representative Rauscher was noted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

HB 416

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 416

"An Act relating to the compensation of certain executive branch employees not covered by collective bargaining agreements; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives Merrick and Foster, Cochairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (6): Ortiz, Edgmon, LeBon, Wool, Josephson, Foster

Do not pass (1): Carpenter

No recommendation (4): Thompson, Johnson, Rasmussen, Merrick

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Indeterminate, Office of the Governor/Various Depts.

HB 416 was referred to the Rules Committee.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citations were introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

Honoring - Dr. Ilona Farr By Representatives Kurka, Eastman

Honoring - Anchorage Chamber Gold Pan Award 2021 Recipients By Senator Revak

In Memoriam - Ethan Allen "Dooley" Tanner By Representatives Kurka, McCarty

In Memoriam - Cris Eichenlaub By Representatives Kurka, Eastman; Senator Reinbold

In Memoriam - Rush Limbaugh By Representatives Kurka, Rauscher, Eastman

In Memoriam - Ralph J. Kurka By Representatives Kurka, Kaufman; Senator Holland

In Memoriam - Michael Krauss By Senator Revak; Representative Shaw

**The presence of Representative Fields was noted.

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 308

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 308
"An Act relating to dementia awareness."

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FN1: (DHS)	1954
FIN RPT CS(FIN) NEW TITLE 4DP 1DNP 2NR	2579
FN2: (DHS/DOH)	2579

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Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the following committee substitute be adopted in lieu of the original bill:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 308(FIN)

"An Act relating to dementia awareness and health care capacity; and providing for an effective date."

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 308(FIN) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 308(FIN) was read the third time.

**The presence of Representatives Rasmussen and Tarr was noted.

The question being: "Shall CSHB 308(FIN) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 308(FIN) Third Reading

Final Passage

with the:

YEAS: 34 NAYS: 4 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Claman, Cronk, Drummond, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Gillham, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnson, Josephson, Kaufman, LeBon, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Merrick, Nelson, Ortiz, Patkotak, Rasmussen, Rauscher, Schrage, Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Vance, Wool, Zulkosky

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, Kurka, Prax

Excused: Kreiss-Tomkins, Snyder

And so, CSHB 308(FIN) passed the House.

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.

CSHB 308(FIN) was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 104

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the May 3 calendar (page 2759), was read the third time:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 104(FIN) am

"An Act relating to the refined fuel surcharge; suspending the tax on motor fuel; and providing for an effective date."

The question being: "Shall CSHB 104(FIN) am pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 104(FIN) am Third Reading Final Passage

YEAS: 36 NAYS: 2 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Eastman, Kurka

Excused: Kreiss-Tomkins, Snyder

And so, CSHB 104(FIN) am passed the House.

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.

Representative Eastman objected.

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

CSHB 104(FIN) am Third Reading Effective Date

YEAS: 38 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

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

Excused: Kreiss-Tomkins, Snyder

And so, the effective date clause was adopted.

CSHB 104(FIN) am was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

HB 135

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the following, which was advanced to third reading from the May 3 calendar (page 2760), would be held to tomorrow's calendar:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 135(RES)

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

HB 289

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the May 3 calendar (page 2761), was read the third time:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 289(FIN)

"An Act establishing the Alaska marijuana industry task force; and providing for an effective date."

The question being: "Shall CSHB 289(FIN) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 289(FIN) Third Reading Final Passage

YEAS: 33 NAYS: 5 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Carpenter, Claman, Cronk, Drummond, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Hannan, Hopkins, Johnson, Josephson, Kaufman, LeBon, McCabe, McCarty, McKay, Merrick, Nelson, Ortiz, Patkotak, Prax, Rasmussen, Schrage, Shaw, Spohnholz, Story, Stutes, Tarr, Thompson, Tilton, Tuck, Wool, Zulkosky

Nays: Eastman, Gillham, Kurka, Rauscher, Vance

Excused: Kreiss-Tomkins, Snyder

And so, CSHB 289(FIN) passed the House.

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.

CSHB 289(FIN) was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

THIRD READING OF SENATE BILLS

SB 222

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the May 3 calendar (page 2761), was read the third time:

SENATE BILL NO 222

"An Act extending the termination date of the State Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board; and providing for an effective date."

The question being: "Shall SB 222 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 222 Third Reading Final Passage

YEAS: 37 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Kreiss-Tomkins, Snyder

And so, SB 222 passed the House.

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 222 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 citations on the calendar.

Representative McCarty objected to the citation, In Memoriam - Glenn Clayton Dick, offered remarks, and withdrew the objection.

There being no further objection, the following citations were approved and sent to enrolling:

In Memoriam - Glenn Clayton Dick By Representative Stutes; Senator Stevens

In Memoriam - Barry Matteson By Representative Shaw; Senator Costello

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

Representative Drummond– from 10:00 p.m., May 26 to 11:00 a.m., May 29

HB 104

Representative Drummond added as a cosponsor to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 104(FIN) am

"An Act relating to the refined fuel surcharge; suspending the tax on motor fuel; and providing for an effective date."

HB 308

Representatives Kaufman, Tuck, Schrage, Josephson, Thompson, McCarty, Cronk, Ortiz, and Tarr added as cosponsors to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 308(FIN)

"An Act relating to dementia awareness and health care capacity; and providing for an effective date."

SB 25

Representative Claman added as a cross sponsor to:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 25(FIN)

"An Act relating to the establishment and maintenance of an Internet website providing information on state government financial transactions and specifying the information to be made available on the website; and relating to the Alaska Checkbook Online Internet website."

SB 81

Representative Kaufman added as a cross sponsor to:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 81(CRA)

"An Act requiring background investigations of village public safety officer applicants by the Department of Public Safety; relating to the village public safety officer program; and providing for an effective date."

SB 203

Representative Nelson added as a cross sponsor to:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 203(FIN)

"An Act designating the Alaska marine highway system and

portions of the Parks, Glenn, Seward, and Sterling Highways as a part of the State's Purple Heart Trail and relating to signage and informational displays for the trail."

ENGROSSMENT

HB 104

CSHB 104(FIN) am was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 289

CSHB 289(FIN) was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 308

CSHB 308(FIN) was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

The following meeting today was changed:

Resources Committee

CANCELED

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would recess to 11:00 a.m.; and so, the House recessed at 9:50 a.m.

AFTER RECESS

The Speaker called the House back to order at 11:17 a.m.

The Speaker ordered the House at ease to allow members of the Senate to enter the Chamber.

JOINT SESSION IN THE HOUSE

Consideration of the Governor's appointments will be published in House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 15.

IN THE HOUSE

The Speaker called the House back to order at 12:53 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:00 a.m., May 5. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Crystaline Jones Chief Clerk