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Friday

February 19, 2021

Thirty-second Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President pro tempore Hughes at 10:32 a.m. The Senate was convened for the purpose of a technical session.

Senator Stevens, Acting Majority Leader, moved and asked unanimous consent the roll call of the Senate be waived. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Communications

The following report is on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate:

Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development
National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska
Impact Mitigation Grant Program
Report to the First Session of the Thirty-Second Alaska Legislature
January 2021
in accordance with AS 37.05.530

Standing Committee Reports

Reports dated February 17 were read stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Resources Committee held a hearing on the following appointee(s). A signature on this report does not reflect an intent by any of the members to vote for or against the confirmation of the individual(s) during any further sessions.

Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

Jeremy Price

Signing the report: Senator Revak, Chair; Senators Kiehl, von Imhof, Bishop, Kawasaki, Stevens, Micciche.

Big Game Commercial Services Board

Michael Flores

Peter Buist

Aaron Bloomquist

Signing the report: Senator Revak, Chair; Senators Kiehl, Bishop, Kawasaki, Stevens, Micciche.

SB 65

The Health and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 65 "An Act relating to immunity for consulting physicians, podiatrists, osteopaths, advanced practice registered nurses, physician assistants, dentists, optometrists, and pharmacists" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 65(HSS) "An Act relating to immunity for consulting physicians, podiatrists, osteopaths, advanced practice registered nurses, physician assistants, chiropractors, dentists, optometrists, and pharmacists."

Signing do pass: Senator Wilson, Chair; Senators Begich, Hughes.
Signing no recommendation: Senator Reinbold.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Law

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

SB 70

The Health and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 70 "An Act relating to opioid overdose drugs; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 70(HSS)

Signing do pass: Senator Wilson, Chair; Senators Begich, Hughes.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Health and Social Services

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SJR 9

The Transportation Committee considered SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9 Urging the United States Congress to exempt cruise ships from certain provisions of the Passenger Vessel Services Act and other applicable provisions of federal law for the period during which Canadian ports are closed to cruise ships carrying more than 100 people; and urging the President of the United States not to fine or take actions against cruise ships sailing to the state. Signing do pass: Senator Myers, Chair: Senator Kiehl. Signing no recommendation: Senator Shower.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Senate Transportation Committee

The resolution was referred to the Labor and Commerce Committee.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Stevens, Acting Majority Leader, moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., February 22, 2021. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 10:36 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

Feb 23	Tuesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Feb 25	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+ SB 15	OPEN MEETINGS ACT; PENALTY		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+ SB 13	OIL AND GAS PROPERTY TAX		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+ SB 17	ENERGY EFFICIENCY & POLICY: PUB. BLDGS		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
	Streamed live on AKL.tv		

EDUCATION

Feb 19	Friday	Butrovich 205	9:00 AM
+	Presentation:		
	"National Landscape and Policy Trends in Early Literacy" by Tom Keily, Senior Policy Analyst with Education Commission of the States and Ben Erwin, Policy Researcher.		
+= SB 8	PRE-K/ELEM ED PROGRAMS/FUNDING; READING		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+= SB 42	VIRTUAL AND EARLY EDUCATION, READING		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
	Streamed live on AKL.tv		

FINANCE (continued)

- Feb 22 Monday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + School Major Maintenance and Construction Update
 - Department of Education & Early Development
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Feb 23 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + Deferred Maintenance Update
 - Office of Management and Budget
 - Department of Transportation and Public
 Facilities
 - University of Alaska
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Feb 24 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority - Update
 and FY22 Proposed Budget
 - Mike Abbott, Chief Executive Officer
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Feb 25 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + AIDEA - Update on Projects, Investments and Cash
 Flow
 Alaska Energy Authority - Update on Assets,
 Projects, Grants & Loans
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Feb 26 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + Village Safe Water Program - Funding History,
 Projected Need, and FY22 Proposal
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

- Feb 23 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**
 + SB 67 NURSING: LICENSURE; MULTISTATE COMPACT
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
- Feb 25 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**
 += SB 67 NURSING: LICENSURE; MULTISTATE COMPACT
 -- Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
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JUDICIARY

- Feb 19 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 Concerns Government's COVID Response
 "The Stand" Simone Gold, JD MD
 University of Alaska Anchorage COVID Projection
 Model, Epidemiologist Tom Hennessey TBA
 Consideration of Governor's Appointees: TBA
- Feb 22 Monday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Feb 24 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**
 + "History of Pandemics"
 Dave Barton, Historian Wall Builders
 + "COVID-19 and Court Cases"
 Phil Kline, Thomas More Society
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Feb 26 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**
 + Public Hearing
 Impacts of the Disaster
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

- Feb 19 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**
 + SB 45 AGE FOR NICOTINE/E-CIG; TAX E-CIG.
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv
- Feb 22 Monday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**
 + Consideration of Governor's Appointees
 Alcoholic Beverage Control Board:
 - Dana Walukiewicz
 - Diane Thompson
 - John Cox
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 + SB 55 EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO PERS
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

LABOR & COMMERCE (continued)

- Feb 24 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**
 + SB 54 AHFC WATER & SEWER BONDS/TRANSPORTATION
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + SB 86 TEMPORARY PERMITS & LICENSES
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv
- Feb 26 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv
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RESOURCES

- Feb 19 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM**
 -- MEETING CANCELED --
 + Consideration of Governor's Appointees:
 Board of Game
 -Stanley Hoffman Jr.
 -Jacob Fletcher
 -Lynn Keogh Jr.
 Regulatory Commission of Alaska
 -Robert Pickett
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv
- Feb 22 Monday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM**
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + SB 33 SEAFOOD PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDIT
 + SB 64 SHELLFISH PROJECTS; HATCHERIES; FEES
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

RESOURCES (continued)

Feb 24 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 -- Teleconference <Listen Only> --
 Presentation of Department of Law-Federal Issues
 and Conflicts by:
 - Cori Mills, DOL CIV-Deputy Attorney General
 - Jessie Alloway, DOL CIV - Assistant Attorney
 General
 - Mary Gramling, DOL CIV - Attorney for Natural
 Resources
 - Ron Opsahl, DOL CIV - Attorney for Natural
 Resources
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Feb 26 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

STATE AFFAIRS

Feb 23 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 += SB 53 PERM FUND; ADVISORY VOTE
 += SJR 6 CONST. AM: PERM FUND & PFDS
 += SJR 5 CONST. AM: APPROP LIMIT; BUDGET RESERVE
 += SJR 7 CONST. AM: STATE TAX; VOTER APPROVAL
 -- Public Testimony --
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Feb 25 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 += SB 25 STATE GOV'T FINANCES: WEBSITE
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 Department of Administration
 - Kelly Tshibaka, Commissioner
 - Hans Zigman
 += SB 39 BALLOT CUSTODY/TAMPERING; VOTER REG; MAIL
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only><TBA> --
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT

Feb 25 **Thursday** **Senate Finance 532** **1:00 PM**
FY22 Department of Education & Early Development
Budget

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Feb 25 **Thursday** **Senate Finance 532** **5:30 PM**
+ Department of Environmental Conservation
Budget Overview Continuation & Budget Amendments
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

FISH & GAME

Feb 25 **Thursday** **Senate Finance 532** **12:30 PM**
+ Senate Budget Subcommittee Overview

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Feb 19 **Friday** **Senate Finance 532** **7:45 AM**
-- MEETING CANCELED --
-- Agenda to be Announced --

Feb 22 **Monday** **Senate Finance 532** **7:45 AM**
-- Agenda to be Announced --

Feb 26 **Friday** **Senate Finance 532** **7:45 AM**
-- Agenda to be Announced --

Mar 01 **Monday** **Senate Finance 532** **7:45 AM**
-- Agenda to be Announced --

Mar 05 **Friday** **Senate Finance 532** **7:45 AM**
-- Agenda to be Announced --

JUDICIARY

Feb 23 Tuesday Butrovich 205 5:15 PM
 Alaska Judiciary Overview Presentations:
 Operations of the Alaska Court System, the
 Alaska Judicial Council, and the Alaska
 Commission on Judicial Conduct
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 -Doug Wooliver, Deputy Administrative Director
 Rhonda McLeod, Chief Financial Officer, Alaska
 Court System

LABOR & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Feb 23 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 7:30 AM
 FY22 Agency Budget
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Mar 02 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 7:30 AM
 FY22 Agency Budget
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

LAW

Feb 23 Tuesday Butrovich 205 7:30 AM
 +
 FY 2022 Budget- Civil Division; Criminal Division
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Feb 25 Thursday Butrovich 205 5:30 PM
 +
 FY 2022 Budget- Civil Division; Criminal Division
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

NATURAL RESOURCES

Feb 25 Thursday Senate Finance 532 7:30 AM
 FY22 Agency Budget
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Mar 04 Thursday Senate Finance 532 7:30 AM
 FY22 Agency Budget
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

PUBLIC SAFETY

Feb 22 **Monday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **4:00 PM**
 +
 FY 2022 Budget - Village Public Safety Officer
 Program; Violent Crimes Compensation
 Board; Statewide Support / Criminal Justice
 Information Systems
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Feb 24 **Wednesday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **4:00 PM**
 +
 FY 2022 Budget
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

REVENUE

Feb 24 **Wednesday** **Senate Finance 532** **5:30 PM**
 +
 Department of Revenue
 Budget Overview Continuation & Budget Amendments
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES

Feb 24 **Wednesday** **Senate Finance 532** **7:30 AM**
 +
 - Highways, Aviation & Rural Airports

Mar 03 **Wednesday** **Senate Finance 532** **7:30 AM**
 +
 - Alaska Marine Highway System
 +
 - State Equipment Fleet

Mar 10 **Wednesday** **Senate Finance 532** **7:30 AM**
 +
 - Subcommittee Budget Closeout

JOINT COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

Feb 24	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	12:00 PM
	-- Teleconference <Listen Only> --		
+	Committee Organization / Election of Chair and Vice-Chair		
	Approval of Minutes (1/18/2021)		
	Overview of Committee Process		
	-Kris Curtis, Legislative Auditor		
	-Alexei Painter, Legislative Fiscal Analyst		