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Monday

March 8, 2021

Forty-ninth Day

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

The roll showed sixteen members present. Senators Hoffman, Revak were excused from a call of the Senate. Senators Reinbold, Shower were absent.

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

Let us be strong, wise, and spiritually mature as we seek to continue our work on behalf of the people of Alaska. Help us to speak truth avoiding untruths in order to move forward with credibility. Help us to exhibit integrity, justice, and fairness to make Alaska a more beautiful place and, lastly, give us the strength to reach out to those across the aisle and work together.
Amen.

Senator Costello led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent Senators Reinbold, Shower be excused from a call of the Senate today. Without objection, Senators Reinbold, Shower were excused.

Certification

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the journals for the forty-sixth through forty-eighth legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Standing Committee Reports

Report dated March 8 was read stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Finance 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 Mental Health Trust Authority Board of Trustees

Rhonda Boyles

Brent Fisher

Annette Gwalthney-Jones

Anita Halterman

Signing the report: Senators Stedman, Bishop, Cochair; Senators Wilson, Wielechowski, Olson, von Imhof.

SB 22

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 22 "An Act repealing the termination date for the intensive management hunting license surcharge." Signing do pass: Senators Stedman, Bishop, Cochair; Senators Wilson, Olson, von Imhof.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Fish and Game

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

Consideration of the Calendar

Citations

In Memoriam - Regina Manteufel
Senator(s) Begich, Gray-Jackson
Representative(s) Tarr

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the citation be adopted. Without objection, the citation was adopted and referred to the Secretary for transmittal.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., March 10, 2021. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:16 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

Mar 09	Tuesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
+ = SB 15	OPEN MEETINGS ACT; PENALTY		
	-- Public Testimony --		
	Streamed live on AKL.tv		
Mar 11	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

EDUCATION

Mar 08	Monday	Butrovich 205	9:00 AM
+ SB 36	U OF A REGENTS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+ SB 32	COLLEGE CREDIT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
	Streamed live on AKL.tv		
Mar 10	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	9:00 AM
+ SB 72	SEC. SCHOOL CIVICS EDUCATION		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+ SB 80	PUBLIC SCHOOLS: MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
	Streamed live on AKL.tv		

EDUCATION (continued)

Mar 12 Friday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM
 No Meeting Scheduled

FINANCE

Mar 08 Monday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

+ SB 19 EXTEND SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGENCY
 + SB 22 INTENSIVE MGMT SURCHARGE/REPEAL TERM DATE
 Confirmation of Governor's Appointees:
 Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Board of Trustees
 - Rhonda Boyles
 - Brent Fisher
 - Annette Gwalthney-Jones
 - Anita Halterman
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 09 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

+ Follow Up: Executive Order 119 - Reorganization of DH&SS:
 - Department of Health & Social Services
 - Department of Law
 <Above Item Removed from Agenda>
 <Above Item Rescheduled to Thursday 03/11/2021>
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 10 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

+ Alaska Energy Authority - Update on Assets, Projects, Grants & Loans
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 11 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

+ SB 55 EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO PERS
 <Pending Referral>
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 <Time Limit May Be Set>
 + Follow up: Executive Order 119 – Reorganization of DH&SS:
 - Department of Health & Social Services
 - Department of Law
 <Above Item Rescheduled from 3/9/21>
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

FINANCE (continued)

Mar 12	Friday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	Centralized Services Initiative:		
	- Office of Management & Budget		
	- Department of Administration		
	- Department of Transportation		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Mar 09	Tuesday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
+	Consideration of Governor's Appointees to the		
	State Medical Board - Steve Parker		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
+	SB 91	DETENTION OF MINORS	
+		-- Invited & Public Testimony --	
+		Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	

Mar 11	Thursday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
+	Consideration of Governor's Appointees to the		
	State Medical Board - Sarah Bigelow-Hood		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
+	SB 93	HEALTH INS. ALL-PAYER CLAIMS DATABASE	
+		-- Invited & Public Testimony --	
+		Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	

JUDICIARY

Mar 08	Monday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
+	SB 65	LIABILITY CONSULTING HEALTH CARE PROVIDER	
		Alaska Police Standards Governor Appointees	

Mar 10	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
	Governor's Appointees		

Mar 12	Friday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
+	Leg Legal Lawsuit on Governor's Appointees		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

LABOR & COMMERCE

Mar 08 Monday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM

Consideration of Governor's Appointees: Board of
Barbers & Hairdressers

- Connie Dougherty

- Tina Taylor

- Khitsana Sypakanphay

-- Invited & Public Testimony --

+ SB 27 INDUSTRIAL HEMP PROGRAM;MANUFACTURING

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

+ SB 87 REINSURANCE; CREDITS

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Streamed live on AKL.tv

Mar 10 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM

+ SB 9 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL; ALCOHOL REG

-- Invited & Public Testimony --

+ SB 88 STATE INSUR. CATASTROPHE RESERVE ACCT.

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

+ SB 11 COMMUNITY PROPERTY TRUSTS

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Streamed live on AKL.tv

Mar 12 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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RESOURCES

Mar 08 Monday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

+ Presentation: Ocean Pasture Restoration Inc. -
Alaska

By Russ George/Ted Crookston

+ SB 29 COOK INLET: NEW ADMIN AREA;PERMIT BUYBACK

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Streamed live on AKL.tv

RESOURCES (continued)

Mar 10 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

+ SB 61 OIL/GAS LEASE:DNR MODIFY NET PROFIT SHARE

-- Invited & Public Testimony --

+ SB 62 GAS LEASES; RENEWABLE ENERGY GRANT FUND

-- Invited & Public Testimony --

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

****Streamed live on AKL.tv****

Mar 12 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

+ SJR 8 COMPLETION OF UNIVERSITY LAND GRANT

-- Invited & Public Testimony --

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

****Streamed live on AKL.tv****

STATE AFFAIRS

Mar 09 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

+ SB 23 INITIATIVE SEVERABILITY

+ SB 71 COUNCIL ON ARTS: PLATES & MANAGE ART

+ SB 76 ABANDONED VEHICLES; PRIVATE PROPERTY

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

****Streamed live on AKL.tv****

Mar 11 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM

+ SB 83 ELECTIONS; VOTING; BALLOT REQS

-- Public Testimony --

+ SB 84 LAND VOUCHERS; PFDS

-- Public Testimony --

+ SB 7 STATE TROOPER POLICIES: PUBLIC ACCESS

-- Public Testimony --

+ SB 12 MILITARY SPOUSE COURTESY LICENSE

-- Public Testimony --

+ SB 40 VETERANS' BENEFITS SERVICES; DISCLOSURE

-- Public Testimony --

Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

****Streamed live on AKL.tv****

TRANSPORTATION

Mar 09 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 += SB 74 G.O. BONDS: STATE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Mar 11 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 += SB 74 G.O. BONDS: STATE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS
 -- Public Testimony --
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES**EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT**

Mar 09 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM
 + -- MEETING CANCELED --
 FY22 Department of Education & Early Development
 Budget
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Mar 11 Thursday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM
 + FY22 Department of Education & Early Development
 Budget
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Mar 08 Monday Senate Finance 532 7:45 AM
 + Office of Children's Services, Division of
 Juvenile Justice, Alaska Pioneer Homes

Mar 12 Friday Senate Finance 532 7:45 AM
 + Close Out

MILITARY & VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Mar 09 Tuesday Butrovich 205 11:30 AM
-- MEETING CANCELED --
+ Department of Military & Veterans Affairs
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
- Craig Christenson, Deputy Commissioner, DMVA
- Stephanie Richard, Administrative Service
Director, Office of Management & Budget

TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES

Mar 10 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 7:30 AM
COVID-19 Related Federal Funds: current federal
revenues, anticipated revenue, restrictions on
the use of these funds and planned/budgeted
expenditures