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Eighth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Micciche at 11:08 a.m.

The roll showed eighteen members present. Senators Costello, Olson were absent.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Reverend Michael Grubbs, Ordained Deacon, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Eternal and Creator God, source of all wisdom, whose will is good and gracious, and whose law is truth, bless this Senate of the State of Alaska. With your blessing, we ask that the Senate may enact just laws that address the welfare of the citizens of the State of Alaska as well as the needs and protection of her great lands and seas.

We ask that those whom we entrust with the authority of government be gifted with understanding and wisdom. Help us to lift and help our neighbors in need. We pray for those who live with the constant companions of injustice, terror, disease and addiction.

Empowering God, strengthen those who dedicate their lives to establishing equal protection of the law and equal opportunities for all. Empower our Senators to right action in addressing the needs of our people and our state.

With your Grace, create cooperation leading to just laws. May the knowledge and spirit of leadership abide with every member here.

With humility, confidence and faith, I ask this in your name, Amen.

Senator Wilson led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent Senator Costello be excused from a call of the Senate today. Without objection, Senator Costello was excused.

Senator Begich moved and asked unanimous consent Senator Olson be excused from a call of the Senate today. Without objection, Senator Olson was excused.

Certification

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the journals for the fourth through seventh legislative days, Senate Journal Supplement No. 8 and House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 8 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Introduction of Senate Pages

Senator Stevens, Rules Committee Chair, introduced the 2022 Senate Pages as follows:

Kaleb Sisikin, Juneau
Manuel Hernandez, Juneau

Messages from the Governor

Letter dated January 21 was read stating in accordance with Article VII, Section 3 of the Alaska Constitution, and AS 14.40.150, I submit the following appointee for confirmation:

University of Alaska Board of Regents

Kali Spencer - Eagle River

Appointed: 5/20/2021 Term Expires: 6/1/2021

Reappointed: 6/1/2021 Term Expires: 6/1/2023

The appointment was referred to the Education Committee.

The resume for this appointment has been submitted to the Office of the Senate Secretary.

Messages from the House

Message dated January 24 was read stating:

The House of Representatives respectfully invites the Senate to a Joint Session of the Thirty-Second Alaska Legislature at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 for the purpose of hearing U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski's annual address to the Legislature.

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate accept the House invitation to meet in Joint Session. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

Communications

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

Department of Administration
Alaska State Officers Compensation Commission
Findings and Recommendations
January 24, 2022
in accordance with AS 39.23.540

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development
Local Boundary Commission
2021 Annual Report to the Second Session of the
Thirty-Second Alaska State Legislature
January 19, 2022
in accordance with AS 44.33.812

Department of Public Safety
Statewide Drug Enforcement Unit (SDEU)
2021 Annual Drug Report
January 2022
in accordance with AS 18.65.085

The following Budget and Audit Reports were received from Kris Curtis, Legislative Auditor, in accordance with AS 24.20.311 and are on file:

Legislative Budget & Audit Committee
2021 Annual Report, Unabridged and Condensed
January 17, 2022

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development
Board of Pharmacy Sunset Review
July 15, 2021

Standing Committee Reports

SB 25

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 25 "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 recommended it be replaced with

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."

Signing do pass: Senators Stedman, Bishop, Cochairs; Senators Hoffman, Wilson, Wielechowski.

The following fiscal information was published today:
Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Administration

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills

SB 171

SENATE BILL NO. 171 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE, entitled:

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

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

Consideration of the Calendar**Citations**

Honoring - Lydia Jacoby
Senator(s) Costello
Representative(s) Carpenter

Honoring - Dr. Ray Michael Droby
Representative(s) Foster
Senator(s) Olson

In Memoriam - Eric "Billy" Trigg
Representative(s) Foster
Senator(s) Olson

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

Unfinished Business

Senator Wilson moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from evening plane time, January 27 through evening plane time, January 30 and from evening plane time February 4 through evening plane time, February 6. Without objection, Senator Wilson was excused.

HB 47

Senator Kiehl moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cross sponsor on HOUSE BILL NO. 47 "An Act renaming the Alaska Native Language Preservation and Advisory Council as the Council for Alaska Native Languages; and relating to the Council for Alaska Native Languages." Without objection, it was so ordered.

SB 23

Senators Hughes, Micciche moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on SENATE BILL NO. 23 "An Act relating to proposing and enacting laws by initiative." Without objection, it was so ordered.

SB 127

Senator Begich moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cosponsor on SENATE BILL NO. 127 "An Act establishing a private cause of action for unfair claim settlement practices; and amending Rules 79 and 82, Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on January 28 and on February 11. Without objection, Senator Hoffman was excused.

SB 169

Senator Begich moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cosponsor on SENATE BILL NO. 169 "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." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Recess

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in recess to the Joint Session. Without objection, the Senate recessed at 11:26 a.m.

After Recess**Joint Session in the House**

Speaker Stutes called the House to order and in accordance with Uniform Rule 51 turned the gavel over to President Micciche, who called the Joint Session to order at 7:00 p.m.

The purpose of the Joint Session was to hear Governor Mike Dunleavy's State of the State address.

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the roll call of the Senate be waived and all members be shown as present. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Tuck moved and asked unanimous consent the roll call of the House be waived and all members be shown as present. Without objection, it was so ordered.

President Micciche appointed Representative Johnson and Senator Myers to escort Governor Mike Dunleavy to the Joint Session.

The Senate Sergeant-at-Arms, Romo Marasigan, announced the Honorable Mike Dunleavy's entrance to the House Chamber.

Governor Dunleavy was welcomed by President Micciche.

The Honorable Mike Dunleavy delivered his address. This address appears in Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 9.

Governor Dunleavy received a standing ovation.

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the Joint Session stand in adjournment. Without objection, President Micciche adjourned the Joint Session at 7:57 p.m.

After Recess

In the Senate

The Senate reconvened at 8:00 p.m.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 10:30 a.m., January 26, 2022. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Liz Clark
Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

Jan 25 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Jan 27 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM

+ HB 127 MUNI BOND BANK: UA, LOAN AND BOND LIMITS

-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Deven Mitchell, State Investment Officer and
 Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority Executive
 Director

Luke Welles, Chair of the Alaska Municipal Bond
 Bank Authority

Myron Dosch, University of Alaska Chief Finance
 Officer

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Streamed live on AKL.tv

EDUCATION

Jan 26 Wednesday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM

+ HB 53 MILITARY CHILDREN SCHOOL RESIDENCY WAIVER

-- Public Testimony --

+ HB 19 LIMITED TEACHER CERTIFICATES; LANGUAGES

-- Public Testimony --

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Streamed live on AKL.tv

Jan 28 Friday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Streamed live on AKL.tv

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FINANCE

- Jan 25 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + Callan & Associates - Permanent Fund Performance
 Measures & Impact of Ad Hoc Draws
 Greg Allen, CEO & Chief Research Officer
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Jan 25 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM**
 + SB 111 EARLY EDUCATION; READING INTERVENTION
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Jan 26 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation
 Valerie Mertz, Acting CEO & Chief Financial
 Officer
 Marcus Frampton, Chief Investment Officer
 Pauly Swanson, Director of Communications
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Jan 26 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM**
 += SB 111 EARLY EDUCATION; READING INTERVENTION
 -- Public & Invited Testimony --
 <Time Limit May Be Set>
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Jan 27 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority
 Steve Williams, CEO
 Anita Halterman, Board Chair
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Jan 27 Thursday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM**
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Jan 28 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + Department of Revenue - Savings Accounts/Budget
 Reserves/Investment Funds
 Pam Leary, State Investment Officer
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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RESOURCES

Jan 26 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 += SB 85 FOREST LAND USE PLANS; TIMBER SALES
 -- Public Testimony --
 += HB 79 SALTWATER SPORTFISHING OPERATORS/GUIDES
 -- Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Jan 28 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + Department of Natural Resources, Committee Update
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

STATE AFFAIRS

Jan 25 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + Gail Fenumiai Division of Elections Director
 Subject: Rank Choice 2 (Ballot
 Measure) Presentation
 Guest Presenters: Nick Murray (Maine Policy
 Institute)
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Jan 27 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + SB 167 ELECTIONS; FRAUD; BALLOTS
 + HJR 16 HMONG VETERANS MILITARY RIGHTS
 Bill Introduction: Rep. David Nelson
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Jan 25 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

Jan 27 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 + SB 166 G.O. BONDS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JOINT COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

Jan 27	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	4:30 PM
+	Executive Session: Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation Personnel and Related Procurement		

OTHER MEETINGS

JOINT SESSION

Jan 25	Tuesday	House Chamber	7:00 PM
	State of the State Address by Mike Dunleavy, Governor of Alaska		
Feb 09	Wednesday	House Chamber	11:00 AM
	State of the Judiciary Address by Chief Justice Daniel E. Winfree		
Feb 22	Tuesday	House Chamber	11:00 AM
	Annual Address by Lisa Murkowski, U.S. Senator		