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SECOND SESSION

Juneau, Alaska

Monday

February 28, 2022

Forty-second Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President pro tempore Stevens at 11:00 a.m. The Senate was convened for the purpose of a technical session.

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call of the Senate be waived. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the Governor

A Declaration of Disaster Emergency and initial finance plan dated February 25, authorizing public assistance for the Native Village of Tununak due to fire damage which occurred on February 15, with an accompanying letter, was received pursuant to AS 26.23.020. The declaration, letter and finance plan had been copied to the Finance Committee Cochairs.

A Disaster Declaration dated February 25 was received authorizing additional funds for continued fire suppression operations in Fiscal Year 2022. The declaration had been copied to the Finance Committee Cochairs.

Standing Committee Reports

Report dated February 24 was read stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Transportation 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.

**Commissioner, Department of Transportation and Public
Facilities**

Ryan Anderson

Board of Marine Pilots

Michael O'Hara

Leslie "Les" Cronk

Signing the report: Senator Myers, Chair; Senators Micciche, Kiehl.

Report dated February 28 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

Kevin Fimon

Signing the report: Senators Stedman, Bishop, Cochairs; Senators Hoffman, Wilson, Wielechowski, Olson.

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. March 4, 2022. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:03 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 01	Tuesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
		Streamed live on AKL.tv	
+ SB 144	DISASTER EMERGENCY PROCLAMATIONS		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Mar 03	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
		Streamed live on AKL.tv	
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

EDUCATION

Feb 28	Monday	Butrovich 205	9:00 AM
+	Presentation: "Update on Teacher Recruitment and Retention Task Force" by Barbara Adams		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Mar 02	Wednesday	Davis 106	8:30 AM
+	Joint with House Education		
	-- Please Note Time & Location Change --		
	Presentation: Annual Report by State Board of Education		

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EDUCATION (continued)

Mar 03 Thursday Butrovich 205 10:00 AM

-- Please Note Time Change --

- + SB 34 STATE-TRIBAL EDUCATION COMPACT SCHOOLS
- + SB 140 DESIGNATE SEX FOR SCHOOL-SPONSORED SPORTS

-- Public Testimony --

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 04 Friday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM

No Meeting Scheduled

FINANCE

Feb 28 Monday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- + Consideration of Governor's Appointees: Kevin Fimon, Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Board of Trustees

- + SB 81 VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER GRANTS
- Invited & Public Testimony --

-- <Time Limit May Be Set> --

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 01 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- += SB 151 EXTEND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD
- += SJR 12 SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFIT REDUCTION REPEAL
- + SB 224 FUNDS SUBJECT TO CBR SWEEP PROVISION

-- Invited & Public Testimony --

-- <Time Limit May Be Set> --

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 02 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- + Oil & Gas Severance Tax - Order of Operations
- Dan Stickel, Chief Economist, Department of Revenue

-Colleen Glover, Director, Tax Division

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 03 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- + Competitiveness of Alaska's Oil & Gas Regime
- GaffneyCline & Associates

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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FINANCE (continued)

Mar 03 Thursday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM

+ Executive Order 121 - Divide DHSS into
Department of Health and Department of Family &
Community Services

-Adam Crum, Commissioner, DHSS
-Sylvan Robb, Assistant Commissioner, DHSS
-Stacie Kraly, Director, Civil Division, LAW

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 04 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

+ SB 111 EARLY EDUCATION; READING INTERVENTION

-Dr. Michael Johnson, Commissioner, DEED

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Mar 01 Tuesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

+ SB 156 PROHIBIT COVID-19 VACCINE DISCRIMINATION

-- Invited & Public Testimony --

-- <Time Limit May Be Set> --

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

Mar 03 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

+ SB 192 BOARD OF LICENSED MIDWIVES

-- Invited & Public Testimony --

+ SB 175 HEALTH CARE SERVICES BY TELEHEALTH

-- Invited & Public Testimony --

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY

Feb 28 Monday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

+ SB 31 PROHIBITING BINDING CAUCUSES

+ SB 182 INTERFERENCE WITH EMERGENCY SERVICES

<Bill Hearing Rescheduled to 03/02/22>

+ SB 189 CRIME OF SEX/HUMAN TRAFFICKING

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY (continued)

Mar 02 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

- + SB 189 CRIME OF SEX/HUMAN TRAFFICKING
- + SB 187 HARASSMENT; SEX OFFENDERS & OFFENSES
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:
- + SB 182 INTERFERENCE WITH EMERGENCY SERVICES
- < Bill Hearing Rescheduled from 02/28/22 >

Mar 04 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

- + SB 187 HARASSMENT; SEX OFFENDERS & OFFENSES
- Public Testimony --
- + SB 189 CRIME OF SEX/HUMAN TRAFFICKING
- Public Testimony --
- + SB 182 INTERFERENCE WITH EMERGENCY SERVICES
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

Feb 28 Monday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM

- + SB 174 ALLOW NATURAL HAIRSTYLES
- Invited & Public Testimony --
- + SB 190 EXTEND REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA
- Invited & Public Testimony --
- + SB 193 EXTEND BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS
- Invited & Public Testimony --
- + SB 185 ELIMINATE MINIMUM WAGE EXEMPTION
- Invited & Public Testimony --
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- **Streamed live on AKL.tv**

Mar 02 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 9:00 AM

- Please Note Time Change --
- Consideration of Governor’s Appointees
- Alaska Workers’ Compensation Board:
- Michael Dennis
- Board of Marital and Family Therapy:
- Tristian Monterastelli
- State Board of Registration for Architects,
- Engineers, and Land Surveyors: Brent Cole
- Board of Chiropractic Examiners: Walter Campbell
- Alaska State Board of Public Accountancy:
- Elizabeth Stuart
- Marijuana Control Board: Bruce Schulte

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Board of Pharmacy: Ashley Schaber
 Board of Social Work Examiners: Sharon Woodward
 -- Public Testimony on All Appointees --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Mar 02 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 + Workforce Development and Infrastructure
 Investment Presentation
 - Alaska State Pipe Trades
 - Northwest Carpenter’s Union
 - International Brotherhood of Electrical
 Workers
 - International Union of Operating Engineers
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Mar 04 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

RESOURCES

Feb 28 Monday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + Mining Industry Update
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Mar 02 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + SB 202 RENEWABLE ENERGY GRANT FUND
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 + SB 204 HUNTING PERMIT/TAG AUCTIONS/RAFFLES
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Mar 04 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + GaffneyCline Alaska LNG Presentation
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

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STATE AFFAIRS

Mar 01 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 + SR 3 NGO SUPPORT FOR STATE VETERANS
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 += SJR 20 URGE PASSAGE OF HEARING PROTECTION ACT
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 += SB 92 MISSING PERSONS UNDER 21 YEARS OLD
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 += SB 145 LEGISLATOR RETROACTIVE PER DIEM
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 += HB 157 APOC; REPORT REFERENDA/RECALL CONTRIBUTOR
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 += SB 115 ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 += SB 161 POLITICAL PARTY DEFINITION
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Mar 03 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 += SB 136 LIMITATIONS ON FIREARMS RESTRICTIONS
 += SB 152 LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS IN ANCHORAGE
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 += SB 167 ELECTIONS; FRAUD; BALLOTS
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 += HB 123 STATE RECOGNITION OF TRIBES
 -- Invited Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

TRANSPORTATION

Mar 01 Tuesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 + SB 218 LEG. APPROVAL: AK RAILROAD REVENUE BONDS
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

TRANSPORTATION (continued)

Mar 03 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
 + SB 203 PURPLE HEART TRAIL
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 + SB 212 NAMING THE INSOOK BAIK BRIDGE
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Mar 04 Friday Senate Finance 532 7:45 AM
 + Alaska's Medicaid Program Update
 + Division of Public Assistance Update
 + Office of Children's Services Update
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

JUDICIARY

Mar 01 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 5:15 PM
 + FY23 Budget Request
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 -- Please Note Location Change --
 Doug Wooliver, Deputy Administrative Director,
 Alaska Court System
 Rhonda McLeod, Chief Financial Officer, Alaska
 Court System

MILITARY & VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Mar 03 Thursday Senate Finance 532 11:30 AM
 + FY23 Budget Request
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 -- Please note Location Change --
 Craig Christenson, Deputy Commissioner, DMVA
 Robert Ernisse, Administrative Services Director,
 Office of Management & Budget

JOINT COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

Mar 03	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	5:00 PM
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- Approval of Minutes
 - a. January 17, 2022
 - b. January 27, 2022
- Status Update
 - a. Top 10 Audit Findings & Resolutions
 - Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)
 - b. Office of Information Technology -Audit Review
 - Procurement - Legislative Audit
 - Special Audit Request - Division of Workers' Compensation