

**SENATE JOURNAL**  
**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE**  
**THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE**  
**SECOND SESSION**

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Wednesday**

**March 16, 2022**

**Fifty-eighth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Micciche at 11:09 a.m.

The roll showed nineteen members present. Senator Shower was absent.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Reverend Caroline Malseed, St. Brendan's Episcopal Church. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Holy Creator, in your word you have given us a vision of a beloved community in which we may dwell together. Behold and visit, we pray, all the communities of the State of Alaska. Renew the ties of mutual regard which form our common life. Send us honest and able leaders. Enable us to eliminate poverty, prejudice, and oppression, that peace may prevail with righteousness, and justice with order, and that men and women from different cultures and with differing talents may find with one another the fulfillment of their humanity; through all the names by which you are known to us. Amen.

Senator Bishop led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Certification**

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the journal for the fifty-seventh legislative day be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

**Introduction of Guests**

Senator Begich introduced Mia Yen, Consul General of Canada in Seattle.

**Communications**

Disclosure letters received from the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics, in accordance with AS 24.60, will be published in Senate Journal Supplement No. 10 and House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 13.

**Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills****SB 234**

SENATE BILL NO. 234 BY THE SENATE LABOR & COMMERCE COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act establishing the office of broadband; creating the broadband parity adjustment fund; establishing the Statewide Broadband Advisory Board; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce and Finance Committees.

**SB 235**

SENATE BILL NO. 235 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE  
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act relating to certain investments of state funds in the Russian Federation and financial institutions profiteering from the Russian Federation's invasion of Ukraine; providing indemnity and immunity for certain investment actions taken in compliance with law; and providing for an effective date."

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

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, indeterminate, Department of Revenue

Governor's transmittal letter dated March 15:

Dear President Micciche:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the State of Alaska's financial investments in the Russian Federation, and financial institutions profiteering from the Russian Federation's invasion of Ukraine. This bill also provides indemnity and immunity for state officials or state fund fiduciaries, or individuals acting at the direction of these individuals, for good faith actions taken to comply with the bill.

Given the gravity of the Russian Federation's invasion of Ukraine, this bill provides a framework for the State of Alaska and certain state funds to divest from assets, companies, or financial institutions that support the Russian Federation's invasion of Ukraine or are unfairly profiting from that action. Passage of this bill ensures that the State of Alaska is not directly or indirectly supporting the Government of Russia in its war efforts.

Furthermore, it is unconscionable that for-profit institutions can engage in an international divestment lobbying effort on resource development projects in Alaska while simultaneously seeking enrichment from totalitarian actions elsewhere in the world. If a financial institution wishes to plant its proverbial flag on the grounds of responsible and moral investing while surreptitiously padding its balance sheet on the backs of humanitarian disaster and overt environmental degradation, those firms should not have the benefit of the State of Alaska's business.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,  
/s/  
Mike Dunleavy  
Governor

### **Consideration of the Calendar**

#### **Second Reading of Senate Bills**

##### **SB 201**

SENATE BILL NO. 201 "An Act relating to charitable gaming online ticket sales and activities; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

President Micciche stated SENATE BILL NO. 201 will advance to third reading on the March 18 calendar.

#### **Third Reading of Senate Bills**

##### **SB 136**

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 136(CRA) "An Act relating to firearms and other weapons restrictions" was read the third time.

Senator Myers moved and asked unanimous consent the following fiscal information be adopted:

Fiscal Note No. 3, zero, Department of Law

There being no objection, Fiscal Note No. 3 was adopted.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 136(CRA) "An Act relating to firearms and other weapons restrictions" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 136(CRA)

Third Reading - Final Passage

**YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 1**

Yeas: Begich, Bishop, Costello, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Holland, Hughes, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Micciche, Myers, Olson, Reinbold, Revak, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Absent: Shower

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 136(CRA) passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

### **SB 156**

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 156(HSS) "An Act relating to COVID-19 immunization rights; relating to objection to the administration of a COVID-19 vaccine; relating to COVID-19 vaccination status and eligibility for health care insurance; and providing for an effective date" was read the third time.

President Micciche cautioned members to proceed in order [Mason's Manual Section 101].

The question being: "Shall CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 156(HSS) "An Act relating to COVID-19 immunization rights; relating to objection to the administration of a COVID-19 vaccine; relating to COVID-19 vaccination status and eligibility for health care insurance; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 156(HSS)

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date(s)

**YEAS: 13 NAYS: 6 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 1**

Yeas: Begich, Costello, Gray-Jackson, Holland, Hughes, Kawasaki, Micciche, Myers, Reinbold, Revak, Stevens, Wielechowski, Wilson

Nays: Bishop, Hoffman, Kiehl, Olson, Stedman, von Imhof

Absent: Shower

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 156(HSS) passed the Senate.

Senator Hughes moved for the adoption of the effective date clause(s).

The question being: "Shall the effective date clause(s) be adopted?"

The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 156(HSS)

Effective Date Clause(s)

**YEAS: 18 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 1**

Yeas: Begich, Bishop, Costello, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Holland, Hughes, Kawasaki, Micciche, Myers, Olson, Reinbold, Revak, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wielechowski, Wilson

Nays: Kiehl

Absent: Shower

and so, the effective date clause(s) were adopted and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

### **Citations**

Honoring - Ashia Rose Cardines

Senator(s) Myers, Bishop

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

**Unfinished Business****SB 136**

Senators Stedman, Bishop, Stevens, Wielechowski, Kawasaki moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 136(CRA) "An Act relating to firearms and other weapons restrictions." Without objection, it was so ordered.

**Announcements**

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

**Engrossment****SB 136**

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 136(CRA) "An Act relating to firearms and other weapons restrictions" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

**SB 156**

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 156(HSS) "An Act relating to COVID-19 immunization rights; relating to objection to the administration of a COVID-19 vaccine; relating to COVID-19 vaccination status and eligibility for health care insurance; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

**Adjournment**

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 10:30 a.m., March 18, 2022. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 12:05 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**

<b>Mar 17</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
+	Presentation: Update from Broadband Taskforce		
	-- Rescheduled to 03/24/22 --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
<b>Mar 22</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		
<b>Mar 24</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
	-- Rescheduled from 03/17/22 --		
+	Presentation: Update from Broadband Taskforce		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

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**EDUCATION**

<b>Mar 16</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
+= SB 225	TEACHER REGISTERED APPRENTICE PROGRAMS		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
<b>Mar 17</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>
	-- Please Note Time Change --		
+= SB 34	STATE-TRIBAL EDUCATION COMPACT SCHOOLS		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		



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## EDUCATION (continued)

**Mar 18 Friday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM**  
+= SB 225 TEACHER REGISTERED APPRENTICE PROGRAMS  
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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## FINANCE

**Mar 16 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**  
+ Presentation: Alaska Marine Highway System by  
Department of Transportation & Public  
Facilities  
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 16 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM**  
+= SB 130 ELECTRONIC PULL-TAB GAMES  
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
+ SB 26 REPEAL CERTIFICATE OF NEED PROGRAM  
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 17 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**  
+ SB 132 CONTROLLED SUB. DATA: EXEMPT VETERINARIAN  
-- Invited & Public Testimony --  
+ SB 202 RENEWABLE ENERGY GRANT FUND  
-- Invited & Public Testimony --  
+= SB 81 VILLAGE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER GRANTS  
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 17 Thursday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM**  
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 18 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**  
+= SB 62 GAS LEASES; RENEWABLE ENERGY GRANT FUND  
+ Presentation: Cook Inlet Update by  
Department of Natural Resources and Department  
of Revenue  
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES**

**Mar 17      Thursday                      Butrovich 205                      1:30 PM**  
 += SB 124 MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES & MEDS  
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
 += SB 175 HEALTH CARE SERVICES BY TELEHEALTH  
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

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**JUDICIARY**

**Mar 16      Wednesday                      Butrovich 205                      1:30 PM**  
 += SB 189 CRIME OF SEX/HUMAN TRAFFICKING  
 += SB 115 ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM  
 += SB 161 POLITICAL PARTY DEFINITION  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 18      Friday                      Butrovich 205                      1:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

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**LABOR & COMMERCE**

**Mar 16      Wednesday                      Beltz 105 (tsbldg)                      1:30 PM**  
 -- Delayed to 2 PM --  
 + Consideration of Governor's Appointees:  
 Commissioner of DCCED- Julie Sande  
 -- Public Testimony --  
 += SB 159 UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS  
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:  
 += SB 185 ELIMINATE MINIMUM WAGE EXEMPTION  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**Mar 18      Friday                      Beltz 105 (tsbldg)                      1:30 PM**  
 + SB 208 CONTRACTORS' INSURANCE  
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**RESOURCES**

**Mar 16      Wednesday      Butrovich 205      3:30 PM**

+ SB 204 HUNTING PERMIT/TAG AUCTIONS/RAFFLES  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**Mar 18      Friday      Butrovich 205      3:30 PM**

+ HB 79 SALTWATER SPORTFISHING OPERATORS/GUIDES  
 + SB 180 PASSENGER VESSEL ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE  
 + SJR 23 SUPPORTING NAMING MTN AFTER GAIL PHILLIPS  
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**Mar 21      Monday      Butrovich 205      3:30 PM**

+ SB 177 MICROREACTORS  
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**Mar 23      Wednesday      Butrovich 205      3:30 PM**

+ SB 230 TRAPPING CABINS: FEE FOR CONSTRUCTION  
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**Mar 25      Friday      Butrovich 205      3:30 PM**

+ Department of Law Presentation  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

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**STATE AFFAIRS**

**Mar 17      Thursday      Butrovich 205      3:30 PM**

+ HB 187 STATE AGENCY PUBLICATIONS  
 -- Public & Invited Testimony --  
 + SB 207 ACCESS TO MARIJUANA CONVICTION RECORDS  
 -- Public & Invited Testimony --  
 + SB 214 LIABILITY: SOCIAL MEDIA CENSORSHIP  
 -- Public & Invited Testimony --

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## STATE AFFAIRS (continued)

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- + HB 123 STATE RECOGNITION OF TRIBES
  - + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:
  - + SB 129 ELECTION PAMPHLET INFORMATION RE: JUDGES
  - \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*
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## TRANSPORTATION

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|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Mar 17</b> | <b>Thursday</b>                   | <b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b> | <b>1:30 PM</b> |
| + SB 170      | MARINE HIGHWAY CORPORATION        |                           |                |
|               | -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- |                           |                |
|               | **Streamed live on AKL.tv**       |                           |                |
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## FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES

### COMMERCE, COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEV

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| <b>Mar 16</b> | <b>Wednesday</b>  | <b>Senate Finance 532</b> | <b>5:30 PM</b> |
| +             | Department of Commerce Community & Economic Development |                           |                |
|               | Budget Overview   |                           |                |
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## CORRECTIONS

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|---------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Mar 17</b> | <b>Thursday</b>           | <b>Senate Finance 532</b> | <b>5:30 PM</b> |
| +             | Department of Corrections |                           |                |
|               | Budget Overview           |                           |                |
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## TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES

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| <b>Mar 30</b> | <b>Wednesday</b>              | <b>Senate Finance 532</b> | <b>7:30 AM</b> |
| +             | DOT Operating Budget Closeout |                           |                |

**JOINT COMMITTEES**

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS**

<b>Mar 24</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>
+	Ethics Committee Meeting Meeting will be teleconferenced Anchorage Only: 907-563-9085 Juneau Only: 907-586-9085 Outside Anchorage or Juneau: 1-844-586-9085 APPROVAL OF AGENDA EXECUTIVE SESSION PUBLIC SESSION OTHER BUSINESS	

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**OTHER MEETINGS**

**MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS**

<b>Mar 16</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
	Lunch & Learn Presentation The Economic Potential of Alaska's Mining Industry by Bob Loeffler, and Brett Watson of UAA Sponsored by Senator Micciche		