

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

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Wednesday**

**March 30, 2022**

**Seventy-second Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Micciche at 11:33 a.m.

The roll showed fifteen members present. Senator Revak was excused from a call of the Senate. Senators Begich, Kawasaki, Myers, von Imhof were absent.

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

*Today we remember **Innocent of Alaska** (August 26, 1797 - March 31, 1879). Innocent brought Good News to the people in the Unangan and Lingit tongues during his time in Alaska.*

Holy Immortal One, you are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and of great kindness. You are loving to everyone, and your compassion extends over all your works.

Guide our steps, so that, just as **Innocent** labored humbly in danger and hardship; wherever we are led, we may gladly serve and honor the offices we hold in privation as in power.

Bless your people, by calling our Senators to act with justice for all, to decide with the grace of mercy, and to work with respect for the needs of every living creature in this Great Land. *Amen.*

Senator Kiehl led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Senator Kiehl, Acting Minority Leader, moved and asked unanimous consent Senator Begich be excused from a call of the Senate today through April 4. Without objection, Senator Begich was excused.

### **Certification**

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the journals for the seventieth and seventy-first legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

### **Messages from the Governor**

A letter dated March 29 with updated finance plans for the 2022 Matanuska-Sustitna Winter Storm and Interior Winter Storm (federally-declared disasters) was received in accordance with AS 26.23.020. The letter and finance plans had been copied to the Finance Committee Cochairs.

Letter dated and received March 28 was read stating in accordance with Article III, Sections 26 and 27 of the Alaska Constitution, and AS 39.05.080, I submit the following list of appointees for confirmation:

#### **Board of Fisheries**

Thomas Carpenter – Cordova

Appointed: 7/1/2022                      Term Expires: 7/1/2025

David Weisz – Wasilla

Appointed: 7/1/2022                      Term Expires: 7/1/2025

Floyd “Mike” Heimbuch – Homer

Appointed: 4/15/2022                      Term Expires: 7/1/2023

#### **Board of Game**

Allen “Al” Barrette – Fairbanks

Appointed: 7/1/2019                      Term Expires: 7/1/2022

Reappointed: 7/1/2022                      Term Expires: 7/1/2025

Beatrice "Ruth" Cusack – Chugiak

Appointed: 7/1/2022

Term Expires: 7/1/2025

The appointments were referred to the Resources Committee.

The resumes for these appointments have been submitted to the Office of the Senate Secretary.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

Report dated and received March 29 was read stating:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the State Affairs 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 Administration**

Paula Vrana

#### **Personnel Board**

Keith Hamilton

Signing the report: Senator Shower, Chair; Senators Kawasaki, Costello.

#### **SB 34**

The Judiciary Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 34 "An Act providing for the establishment of public schools through state-tribal compacts" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 34(JUD) "An Act relating to a demonstration state-tribal education compact; relating to demonstration state-tribal education compact schools; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Holland, Chair; Senators Myers, Kiehl.  
Signing no recommendation: Senator Hughes.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Education and Early Development

The bill is on today's calendar.

**SB 66**

The State Affairs Committee again considered SENATE BILL NO. 66 "An Act relating to the membership of the legislative council; and relating to the membership of the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 66(2d STA)

Signing do pass: Senator Shower, Chair; Senator Kawasaki. Signing no recommendation: Senator Costello.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Senate State Affairs Committee

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

**SB 190**

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 190 "An Act extending the termination date of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 190(FIN) "An Act extending the termination date of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska; relating to Regulatory Commission of Alaska regulations regarding refuse utilities; relating to the powers and duties of the legislative audit division; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Bishop, Cochair; Senators Hoffman, Wielechowski. Signing no recommendation: Senator Stedman, Cochair; Senators Wilson, Olson.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

**SB 207**

The State Affairs Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 207 "An Act restricting the release of certain records of convictions; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 207(STA)

Signing do pass: Senator Shower, Chair; Senator Kawasaki. Signing no recommendation: Senator Costello.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Public Safety  
Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Alaska Judiciary System

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

**HB 111**

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 111(FIN) "An Act relating to the practice of dental hygiene; relating to advanced practice permits for dental hygienists; relating to dental assistants; prohibiting unfair discrimination under group health insurance against a dental hygienist who holds an advanced practice permit; relating to medical assistance for dental hygiene services; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL  
NO. 111(L&C)

Signing do pass: Senator Costello, Chair; Senators Gray-Jackson, Micciche.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 3, Department of Commerce, Community, and  
Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 4, Department of Health and Social Services

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

### **SJR 20**

The State Affairs Committee considered SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20 Urging the United States Congress to pass the Hearing Protection Act.

Signing do pass: Senator Shower, Chair; Senator Costello. Signing no recommendation: Senator Kawasaki.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Senate State Affairs Committee

The resolution was referred to the Rules Committee.

## **Consideration of the Calendar**

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

#### **SB 34**

SENATE BILL NO. 34 "An Act providing for the establishment of public schools through state-tribal compacts" was read the second time.

Senator Holland, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Judiciary Committee Substitute offered today. Senator Kiehl objected, then withdrew his objection. There being no further objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 34(JUD) "An Act relating to a demonstration state-tribal education compact; relating to demonstration state-tribal education compact schools; and providing for an effective date" was adopted.

President Micciche stated CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 34(JUD) will advance to third reading on the next calendar.

**Third Reading of Senate Bills****SB 174**

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 174(EDC) "An Act relating to dress codes and natural hairstyles" was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 174(EDC) "An Act relating to dress codes and natural hairstyles" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 174(EDC)

Third Reading - Final Passage

**YEAS: 13 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 4**

Yeas: Bishop, Costello, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Holland, Hughes, Kiehl, Micciche, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, Wielechowski, Wilson

Nays: Reinbold

Excused: Begich, Revak

Absent: Kawasaki, Myers, Olson, von Imhof

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 174(EDC) passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

**Senate Bills in Third Reading****SB 80**

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 80(HSS) "An Act relating to mental health education" which had been held in third reading (page 2145), was before the Senate.

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 80(HSS) be held in third reading to the next calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

**Citations**

Honoring - Patrick Valkenburg  
Senator(s) Bishop

Honoring - Thomas J. Barrett  
Senator(s) Bishop  
Representative(s) Tuck

In Memoriam - Susan "Sue" Marie Larkins-Hall  
Senator(s) Bishop

In Memoriam - Terrence P.A. McLean  
Senator(s) Bishop

In Memoriam - Wayne Million  
Senator(s) Bishop

In Memoriam - Howard Luke  
Senator(s) Bishop

In Memoriam - Roy Jake Tansy  
Senator(s) Bishop

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

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the following citation be made a special order of business. Without objection, it was so ordered.

**Special Order of Business**

In Memoriam - Donald E. Young, Congressman for all Alaska  
Senator(s) Micciche  
Representative(s) Stutes

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**

Senator Bishop moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from afternoon plane time, March 31 through evening plane time, April 4. Without objection, Senator Bishop was excused.

Senator Reinbold moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on April 4 and April 5. Without objection, Senator Reinbold was excused.

In accordance with AS 24.55.020, President Micciche made the following appointments:

**Ombudsman Selection Committee**

Senator Hughes  
Senator Wilson  
Senator Kiehl

In accordance with AS 24.65.020, President Micciche made the following appointments:

**Victims' Advocate Selection Committee**

Senator Hughes  
Senator Wilson  
Senator Kiehl

**Announcements**

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

**Engrossment****SB 174**

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 174(EDC) "An Act relating to dress codes and natural hairstyles" 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 11:00 a.m., March 31, 2022. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:58 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 31 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

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**EDUCATION**

**Mar 30 Wednesday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM**  
 += SB 236 FACILITIES CONSTITUTING A SCHOOL  
 -- Public Testimony --  
 += SB 225 TEACHER REGISTERED APPRENTICE PROGRAMS  
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**Apr 01 Friday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled

**Apr 04 Monday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM**  
 += SB 196 PUBLIC ED: SPEECH, DISCLOSE INST MATERIAL  
 -- Public Testimony --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Apr 06 Wednesday Butrovich 205 9:00 AM**  
 += SB 140 DESIGNATE SEX FOR SCHOOL-SPONSORED SPORTS  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**EDUCATION (continued)**

**Apr 08                      Friday                                      Butrovich 205                      9:00 AM**  
 +                      Consideration of Governor's Appointees:  
                          Professional Teaching Practices Commission  
                          -Emma Melkerson  
                          -Adam Reid  
                          -Lem Wheelles  
                          -Deborah Riddle  
 +    SB 157    HEALTH AND PERSONAL SAFETY EDUCATION  
 +                      Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
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**FINANCE**

**Mar 30                      Wednesday                                      Senate Finance 532                      9:00 AM**  
 +    SB 204    HUNTING PERMIT/TAG AUCTIONS/RAFFLES  
                          -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
                          -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --  
 +                      Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:  
 +=    SB 190    EXTEND REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA  
                          <Bill Hearing Rescheduled from 03/28/22>  
 +=    SB 193    EXTEND BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS  
                          -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
                          -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --  
                          <Bill Hearing Rescheduled from 03/28/22>

**Mar 30                      Wednesday                                      Senate Finance 532                      1:00 PM**  
 +                      -- MEETING CANCELED --  
 +                      Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Mar 31                      Thursday                                      Senate Finance 532                      9:00 AM**  
 +=    SB 98    ADULT FOSTER CARE FOR DISABLED  
 +                      Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:  
 +=    SB 173    DENTIST SPEC. LICENSE/RADIOLOGIC EQUIP

**Mar 31                      Thursday                                      Senate Finance 532                      1:00 PM**  
 +                      Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**FINANCE (continued)**

**Apr 01 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**  
+ Subcommittee of the Whole - University of  
Alaska Budget Closeout  
Review of Judgment & Claims - Division of  
Legislative Legal, Dept. Of Law  
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES**

**Mar 31 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
+= SB 175 HEALTH CARE SERVICES BY TELEHEALTH  
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
+ HB 184 REQUIRE TRIBAL CHILD WELFARE COMPACT  
-- Invited & Public Testimony --  
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
\*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

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**JUDICIARY**

**Mar 30 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
= SB 189 CRIME OF SEX/HUMAN TRAFFICKING  
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
\*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**Apr 01 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
No Meeting Scheduled

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**LABOR & COMMERCE**

**Mar 30 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**  
+= SB 197 DIRECT HEALTH CARE AGREEMENTS  
<Bill Hearing Canceled>  
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
+= HB 125 MILITARY AND FAMILY EMPLOYMENT PREFERENCE  
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
\*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**Apr 01 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**  
No Meeting Scheduled

**RESOURCES**

- Mar 30      Wednesday                      Butrovich 205              3:30 PM**
- + SB 121 PFAS USE & REMEDIATION; FIRE/WATER SAFETY
  - + HB 304 CHUGACH STATE PARK/EAGLE RIVER LIONS CLUB  
-- Invited & Public Testimony --
  - + HB 209 EMERGENCY FIREFIGHTERS  
<Bill Hearing Canceled>  
-- Invited & Public Testimony --
  - + HB 148 ALASKA COORDINATE SYSTEM OF 2022  
<Bill Hearing Canceled>  
-- Invited & Public Testimony --
  - + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:  
\*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*
  - + HJR 34 NAT'L PETROLEUM RESERVE IN ALASKA  
-- Invited & Public Testimony --
  - + SB 239 APPROVE PETRO STAR INC. ROYALTY OIL SALE  
-- Invited & Public Testimony --
  - + SB 240 APPROVE MARATHON PETRO ROYALTY OIL SALE  
-- Invited & Public Testimony --

**Apr 01      Friday                                      Butrovich 205              3:30 PM**  
No Meeting Scheduled

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**STATE AFFAIRS**

- Mar 31      Thursday                                      Butrovich 205              3:30 PM**
- + Governor's Military Appeals Commission Appointee  
Hearing-Tyler Harder
  - + SB 187 STATE AGENCY PUBLICATIONS  
-- Public Testimony --
  - + SB 188 CRIM PROCEDURE; CHANGE OF NAME
  - + HB 123 STATE RECOGNITION OF TRIBES  
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
  - + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
\*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**TRANSPORTATION**

**Mar 31 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM**  
 -- MEETING CANCELED --  
 += SB 170 MARINE HIGHWAY CORPORATION  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES**

**ADMINISTRATION**

**Mar 31 Thursday Senate Finance 532 12:20 PM**  
 + FY23 Department of Administration Budget Closeout

**COMMERCE, COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEV**

**Mar 30 Wednesday Butrovich 205 8:00 AM**  
 -- Rescheduled from 03/29/2022 --  
 Department of Commerce, Community & Economic  
 Development Budget Closeout

**CORRECTIONS**

**Mar 30 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 6:00 PM**  
 -- Rescheduled from 03/31/2022 --  
 + Department of Corrections Budget Closeout

**Mar 31 Thursday Senate Finance 532 6:00 PM**  
 -- Rescheduled to 3/30/2022 --  
 + Department of Corrections Budget Closeout

**EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT**

**Mar 31 Thursday Senate Finance 532 12:00 PM**  
 + FY23 Department of Education & Early Development  
 Budget Closeout  
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

**ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION**

**Mar 30**      **Wednesday**                      **Butrovich 205**                      **7:30 AM**  
 -- Rescheduled from 03/30/2022 --  
 +      Department of Environmental Conservation Budget  
 Closeout

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**FISH & GAME**

**Mar 31**      **Thursday**                      **Senate Finance 532**                      **12:40 PM**  
 +      FY23 Department of Fish & Game Budget Closeout

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**HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES**

**Apr 04**      **Monday**                      **Senate Finance 532**                      **7:45 AM**  
 +      Budget Closeout  
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

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**JUDICIARY**

**Apr 04**      **Monday**                      **Senate Finance 532**                      **5:15 PM**  
 +      FY23 Budget Closeout  
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
 Doug Wooliver, Deputy Administrative Director,  
 Alaska Court System  
 Rhonda McLeod, Chief Financial Officer, Alaska  
 Court System

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**MILITARY & VETERANS' AFFAIRS**

**Mar 31**      **Thursday**                      **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)**                      **11:30 AM**  
 +      FY23 Budget Closeout  
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
 Craig Christenson, Deputy Commissioner, DMVA  
 Robert Ernisse, Administrative Services Director,  
 Office of Management & Budget



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**NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Mar 31**      **Thursday**                      **Senate Finance 532**                      **7:30 AM**  
+              FY23 Operating Budget Closeout

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**PUBLIC SAFETY**

**Mar 31**      **Thursday**                      **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)**                      **7:30 AM**  
+              FY 2023 Budget Committee Closeout

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**REVENUE**

**Mar 30**      **Wednesday**                      **Senate Finance 532**                      **5:30 PM**  
+              -- Rescheduled from 03/31/2022 --  
Department of Revenue Budget Closeout

**Mar 31**      **Thursday**                      **Senate Finance 532**                      **5:30 PM**  
+              -- Rescheduled to 03/30/2022 --  
Department of Revenue - Budget Closeout

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**TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES**

**Mar 30**      **Wednesday**                      **Senate Finance 532**                      **12:00 PM**  
+              -- Please Note Time Change --  
-- Rescheduled from 3/31/2022 12:00 PM--  
DOT Operating Budget Closeout

**Mar 31**      **Thursday**                      **Senate Finance 532**                      **12:00 PM**  
+              -- Rescheduled to 03/30/2022 12:00 PM --  
DOT Operating Budget Closeout

**JOINT COMMITTEES**

**REDISTRICTING BOARD**

<b>Apr 02</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Anch Lio Denali Rm</b>	<b>2:00 PM</b>
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Adoption of Agenda & Minutes  
Public Testimony  
Review of Supreme Court Decision, Matt Singer, Schwabe  
Discussion / Adjournment  
Public Testimony in person at LIO or via Dial-in  
Teleconference public listen-in & testimony:  
Anchorage 563-9085, Juneau 586-9085, All Other 844-586-9085

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**OTHER MEETINGS**

**MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS**

<b>Apr 05</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
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Lunch & Learn Alaska - LNG Project Update  
Presented by AGDC & Wood Mackenzie  
Sponsored by Senator Micciche

  

<b>Apr 11</b> +	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
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Lunch & Learn: The Alaska State Hospital and Nursing Home Association briefing on the "Alaska Health Care Work Analysis"  
Sponsored by Senator Wilson