# **HOUSE JOURNAL**

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

### THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

#### FIRST SESSION

Juneau, Alaska

Friday

February 10, 2023

#### **Twenty-fifth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Tilton at 10:34 a.m.

Roll call showed 37 members present. Representative Coulombe had been excused from a call of the House today.

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the following members be excused from a call of the House. There being no objection, the members were excused as noted:

Representative Wright – from today to 1:00 p.m., February 12

Representative Allard - from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., today

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Joshua Tiner of The Crossing Church, Chugiak. Representative Vance moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

It is a deep privilege and honor for me to be here, and before I begin I would just like to thank you for serving. I know many of you have sacrificed much to be here and we are thankful, as a state, for you. And I want you to know in addition to that that we are also praying for you every day.

With the greatest respect for all, I would invite you to join me in prayer:

Our Dear Heavenly Father,

I thank you for the beauty of this day that you have made. I thank you for the great state of Alaska that we have the privilege of living in. I thank you, Father, for these representatives who are serving. I thank you, Father, for the freedoms we have in our nation and for those who sacrificed so much to purchase our freedom. I am especially thankful for the love and freedom that is found in your one and only son Jesus.

God, I pray your richest blessings upon every representative. I pray that you would provide for them and protect them. I pray that you would give them great wisdom and understanding to lead our state. I pray that you would help them to walk in righteousness, integrity, patience, and love towards each other. I pray that your love, oh Lord, would be known by all.

In the name of Jesus, I pray. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Galvin.

### **CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL**

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 23rd and 24th legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

The following were received:

Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education Dept. of Education & Early Development Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development University of Alaska Alaska Performance Scholarship Outcomes Report 2023 January 17, 2023 https://acpe.alaska.gov/REPORTS (as required by AS 14.43.840)

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Alaska Energy Authority Certification of Capital Reserve Fund Requirement Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project December 29, 2022 (as required by AS 44.83.110)

Alaska Energy Authority Renewable Energy Fund Status Report January 12, 2023 (as required by AS 42.45.045)

Dept. of Environmental Conservation Alaska Drinking Water and Clean Water Funds Annual Loan Fund Report Fiscal Year 2022 (as required by AS 37.05.035 and AS 46.03.032)

Dept. of Environmental Conservation Division of Spill Prevention & Response SPAR Annual Report Fiscal Year 2022 (as required by AS 46.08.060)

#### INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citation was introduced and taken up later as a Special Order of Business:

Honoring – Charlie Young By Senators Kawasaki, Bishop; Representative Carrick

The following citations were introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

Honoring - Point Hope Harpoonerettes, 2022 2A State Basketball Champions

**By Representative Patkotak** 

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Honoring – Joseph W. Ralston, Alaska Aviation Museum Hall of Fame By Senator Olson

Honoring – Richard Wien, Alaska Aviation Museum Hall of Fame By Senator Olson

Honoring – Sigurd "Sig" Wien, Alaska Aviation Museum Hall of Fame By Senator Olson

Honoring – Orin Seybert, Alaska Aviation Museum Hall of Fame By Senator Olson

Honoring – Soldotna High School Stars, State Hockey Champions By Senator Bjorkman; Representative Ruffridge

In Memoriam – Yolande L. "Sam" Fejes By Representative Carrick

In Memoriam – Samuel Lindsay Clyde By Senator Bjorkman; Representative Ruffridge

### SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the notice and publication requirements be waived and the citation, Honoring – Charlie Young, be taken up as a Special Order of Business.

Objection was heard and removed. There being no further objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citation. There being no objection, the following citation was approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring – Charlie Young By Senators Kawasaki, Bishop; Representative Carrick February 10, 2023

### INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

#### HJR 5

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5 by Representatives Himschoot, Vance, Hannan, Stutes:

Urging the United States Secretary of Commerce, the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, and other federal and state agencies to defend the state's fisheries, including the Southeast Alaska troll fishery.

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Fisheries.

#### HJR 6

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6 by Representatives Patkotak, Rauscher, Fields, Tomaszewski, Stapp, Cronk, Carpenter, Prax, McKay, Saddler, Vance, D. Johnson, Sumner, Ruffridge, Tilton, C. Johnson, Edgmon, McCabe, and McCormick:

Supporting oil and gas leasing and development within the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska; and urging President Biden and the United States Department of the Interior to approve the Willow Master Development Plan.

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

#### INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

#### HB 69

HOUSE BILL NO. 69 by Representative Cronk, entitled:

"An Act relating to the reclassification of first class cities as second class cities; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Education and Community & Regional Affairs Committees.

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### CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR

# LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citation on the calendar.

Representative Hannan objected to the citation, Honoring – Marjorie Menzi, offered remarks, and withdrew the objection.

There being no further objection, the following citation was approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring – Marjorie Menzi By Representatives Hannan, Story; Senator Kiehl

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the following member be excused from a call of the House. There being no objection, the member was excused as noted:

Representative Stapp – from 8:00 a.m., February 17 to 10:00 p.m., February 19

#### HB 26

The Speaker removed the Education Committee referral and added a House Special Committee on Tribal Affairs referral for the following:

HOUSE BILL NO. 26

"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."

HB 26 was referred to the House Special Committee on Tribal Affairs with further referral to the Finance Committee.

#### HB 35

The Speaker changed the order of the committee referrals for the following:

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HOUSE BILL NO. 35

"An Act relating to the certificate of need program for health care facilities; and providing for an effective date."

HB 35 was referred to the Labor & Commerce Committee with further referrals to the Health & Social Services and Finance Committees.

# HB 64

The Speaker removed the House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs referral for the following:

### HOUSE BILL NO. 64

"An Act providing for trapping licenses for active members of the Alaska National Guard and military reserves without charge; making sport fishing, hunting, and trapping permanent identification cards available to certain disabled veterans without charge; and providing for an effective date."

HB 64 was referred to the Resources Committee.

### HJR 3

Representative C. Johnson added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3

Encouraging Congress to pass the Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act or a similar bill.

### HB 45

Representative McCabe added as a cosponsor to:

### HOUSE BILL NO. 45

"An Act relating to contributions from permanent fund dividends to the general and permanent funds."

# HB 51

Representative Ruffridge added as a cosponsor to:

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 51

"An Act relating to refrigerants designated as acceptable for use under federal law."

#### HB 65

Representatives Groh, Story, Josephson, and Gray added as cosponsors to:

### HOUSE BILL NO. 65

"An Act relating to education; increasing the base student allocation; and providing for an effective date."

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 11:00 a.m., February 13. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Crystaline Jones Chief Clerk

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