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Eightieth Day

Pursuant to Uniform Rule 13 the House was called to order by Speaker Tilton at 10:10 a.m.

Roll call showed 40 members present.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Representative Carpenter. Representative Vance moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

With the deepest respect for the religious beliefs of all Alaskans, I offer the following prayer:

Psalms 8:1-9

Lord, our Lord,

How majestic is your name in all the earth, you who have displayed your splendor above the heavens! From the mouths of infants and nursing babies you have established strength because of your enemies, to do away with the enemy and the revengeful. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place; what is man that you think of him, and a son of man that you are concerned about him? Yet you have made him a little lower than God, and you crown him with glory and majesty! You have him rule over the works of your hands; you have put everything under his feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the animals of the field, the birds of the sky, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes through the paths of the seas.

Lord, our Lord,
How majestic is your name in all the earth! Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Shaw.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 79th legislative day be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

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

Honoring – 2022 Gold Award Girl Scouts
By Representatives Groh, Galvin, Himschoot

Honoring – 2022 Anchorage Eagle Scouts
By Representatives Groh, Fields, Gray

In Memoriam – Dwight Eduard Morris
By Senator Kawasaki; Representatives Stapp, Dibert

In Memoriam – Carol Ann Heeks Brice
By Senators Kawasaki, Bishop; Representative Carrick

In Memoriam – Charles "Chuck" Leo Milles
By Senators Kawasaki, Myers; Representative Tomaszewski

In Memoriam – Larry J. Hackenmiller
By Senator Kawasaki

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR

HOUSE BILLS IN SECOND READING

HB 39

The following was before the House in second reading with Amendment No. 26 as amended (page 642) pending:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 39(FIN) am

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; repealing appropriations; amending appropriations; making reappropriations; making supplemental appropriations; making appropriations under art. IX, sec. 17(c), Constitution of the State of Alaska, from the constitutional budget reserve fund; and providing for an effective date."

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 26 as amended be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 39(FIN) am

Second Reading

Amendment No. 26 as amended

YEAS: 23 NAYS: 17 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Allard, Carpenter, Coulombe, Cronk, Edgmon, Foster, C.Johnson, D.Johnson, McCabe, McCormick, McKay, Patkotak, Prax, Rauscher, Ruffridge, Saddler, Shaw, Stapp, Sumner, Tilton, Tomaszewski, Vance, Wright

Nays: Armstrong, Carrick, Dibert, Eastman, Fields, Galvin, Gray, Groh, Hannan, Himschoot, Josephson, Mears, Mina, Ortiz, Schrage, Story, Stutes

And so, Amendment No. 26 as amended was adopted.

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 39(FIN) am be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage.

Representative Eastman objected.

CSHB 39(FIN) am will advance to third reading on the April 10 calendar.

HB 41

The following, which was not taken up on the April 5 calendar (page 660), was before the House in second reading:

HOUSE BILL NO. 41

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the following committee substitute be adopted in lieu of the original bill:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 41(FIN)
(same title)

Representative Eastman objected.

The question being: "Shall the House adopt CSHB 41(FIN)?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 41

Second Reading

Adopt Finance CS

YEAS: 39 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Allard, Armstrong, Carpenter, Carrick, Coulombe, Cronk, Dibert, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Galvin, Gray, Groh, Hannan, Himschoot, C.Johnson, D.Johnson, Josephson, McCabe, McCormick, McKay, Mears, Mina, Ortiz, Patkotak, Prax, Rauscher, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schrage, Shaw, Stapp, Story, Stutes, Sumner, Tilton, Tomaszewski, Vance, Wright

Nays: Eastman

And so, CSHB 41(FIN) was adopted.

Amendment No. 1 was offered by Representative Hannan:

Page 4, line 4:

Delete "**56,718,300**"

Insert "**57,051,300**"

Delete "**55,824,500**"

Insert "**56,157,500**"

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Page 4, line 5:

Delete "36,098,700"

Insert "36,431,700"

Page 4, line 21:

Delete "**6,297,700**"Insert "**6,464,700**"Delete "**5,481,300**"Insert "**5,648,300**"

Page 4, line 24:

Delete "584,400"

Insert "751,400"

Page 8, line 22:

Delete "119,595,600"

Insert "120,095,600"

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Representative Hannan moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 be adopted.

Representative Coulombe objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 1 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 41(FIN)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 1

YEAS: 15 NAYS: 25 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Armstrong, Carrick, Dibert, Fields, Galvin, Gray, Groh, Hannan, Himschoot, Josephson, Mears, Mina, Ortiz, Schrage, Story

Nays: Allard, Carpenter, Coulombe, Cronk, Eastman, Edgmon, Foster, C.Johnson, D.Johnson, McCabe, McCormick, McKay, Patkotak, Prax, Rauscher, Ruffridge, Saddler, Shaw, Stapp, Stutes, Sumner, Tilton, Tomaszewski, Vance, Wright

And so, Amendment No. 1 was not adopted.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would recess to 1:00 p.m.; and so, the House recessed at 11:46 a.m.

AFTER RECESS

The Speaker called the House back to order at 1:43 p.m.

HOUSE BILLS IN SECOND READING

HB 41

The following was before the House in second reading:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 41(FIN)

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

Amendment No. 2 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 5, line 10:

Delete "**Medicaid Services**"

Insert "**Medicaid Services Except Services for or relating to Abortion**"

Page 5, following line 11:

Insert new material to read:

"Medicaid Services for or relating to Abortion 0 0 0"

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 2 be adopted.

There was objection.

Representative Vance moved and asked unanimous consent to table Amendment No. 2.

There was objection.

Representative Eastman rose to a point of order regarding interruptions.

The Speaker ruled the point of order out of order.

Representative Eastman appealed the ruling of the chair.

The question being: "Shall the ruling of the Chair be sustained?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Point of Order Out of Order
Sustain Ruling of the Chair

YEAS: 24 NAYS: 16 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Allard, Carpenter, Coulombe, Cronk, Dibert, Edgmon, Foster, C.Johnson, D.Johnson, McCabe, McCormick, McKay, Patkotak, Prax, Rauscher, Ruffridge, Saddler, Shaw, Stapp, Sumner, Tilton, Tomaszewski, Vance, Wright

Nays: Armstrong, Carrick, Eastman, Fields, Galvin, Gray, Groh, Hannan, Himschoot, Josephson, Mears, Mina, Ortiz, Schrage, Story, Stutes

And so, the ruling of the Chair was sustained.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 2 be tabled?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 41(FIN)
Second Reading
Amendment No. 2/Table

YEAS: 36 NAYS: 4 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Allard, Armstrong, Carpenter, Coulombe, Cronk, Dibert, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Gray, Groh, Hannan, Himschoot, C.Johnson, D.Johnson, Josephson, McCabe, McCormick, McKay, Mears, Mina, Patkotak, Prax, Rauscher, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schrage, Shaw, Stapp, Story, Stutes, Sumner, Tilton, Tomaszewski, Vance, Wright

Nays: Carrick, Eastman, Galvin, Ortiz

And so, Amendment No. 2 was tabled.

Amendment No. 3 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 5, lines 30 - 31:

Delete all material.

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 3 be adopted.

Representative Patkotak objected and withdrew the objection.

Representative Fields objected and withdrew the objection. There being no further objection, Amendment No. 3 was adopted.

Amendment No. 4 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 15, line 10, through page 16, line 27:

Delete all material.

ReNUMBER the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 16, line 28:

Delete "secs. 1 - 9"

Insert "secs. 1 - 8"

Page 16, lines 28 - 29:

Delete "secs. 1 - 9"

Insert "secs. 1 - 8"

Page 16, line 30:

Delete "Section 10"

Insert "Section 9"

Page 16, line 31:

Delete "sec. 11"

Insert "sec. 10"

Representative Eastman moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 4 be adopted.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 4 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 41(FIN) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 4

YEAS: 1 NAYS: 39 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Eastman

Nays: Allard, Armstrong, Carpenter, Carrick, Coulombe, Cronk, Dibert, Edgmon, Fields, Foster, Galvin, Gray, Groh, Hannan, Himschoot, C.Johnson, D.Johnson, Josephson, McCabe, McCormick, McKay, Mears, Mina, Ortiz, Patkotak, Prax, Rauscher, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schrage, Shaw, Stapp, Story, Stutes, Sumner, Tilton, Tomaszewski, Vance, Wright

And so, Amendment No. 4 was not adopted.

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 41(FIN) am be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage.

There was objection.

CSHB 41(FIN) am will advance to third reading on the April 10 calendar.

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citations on the calendar. There being no objection, the following citations were approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring – Nanooks Rifle Team, 2023 National Rifle Champions
By Representatives Carrick, Tomaszewski; Senator Kawasaki

In Memoriam – Karen Michelle Southwood
By Representative McCabe

In Memoriam – Benjamin R. Cottle
By Senator Wilson

In Memoriam – Mark Herzberg
By Senators Kawasaki, Bishop; Representative Carrick

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HB 93

The Speaker added a Finance Committee referral for the following:

HOUSE BILL NO. 93

"An Act relating to a lumber grading training program and lumber grading certificates; relating to use of lumber graded and certified by a person holding a lumber grading training program certificate; and providing for an effective date."

HB 93 was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 93

Representative Dibert added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 93

"An Act relating to a lumber grading training program and lumber grading certificates; relating to use of lumber graded and certified by a person holding a lumber grading training program certificate; and providing for an effective date."

HB 112

Representative Fields added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 112

"An Act relating to the Board of Pharmacy; relating to the practice of pharmacy; relating to pharmacies; relating to prescription drug manufacturers; relating to prescriptions for epinephrine; relating to the administration of epinephrine; 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., April 10. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

Crystalline Jones
Chief Clerk