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One Hundred Second Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Tilton at 10:51 a.m.

Roll call showed 39 members present. Representative Shaw had been excused from a call of the House today.

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 Tomaszewski – from 12:30 p.m., today to 10:00 a.m., April 29 (amended from page 2383).

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Student Rabbi Ally Karpel of Congregation Sukkat Shalom. Representative Vance moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Good morning. With respect to the diverse religious beliefs of all Alaskans, I offer the following prayer:

Earlier this week, Jewish communities across the globe gathered together at seder tables in their dining rooms, in their backyards, and within the walls of synagogues to commemorate the festival of Passover and retell our People's Exodus story, a journey of enslavement and narrowness to freedom and expanse.

We are commanded to tell the story of the Exodus b'chol dor vador, in every generation, as a reminder that the work of redeeming this world is not yet complete, that we cannot be free until all are free, and that every one of us has a role to play in realizing the dream of a more just and loving society.

Oh God, as we gather in this chamber today, may we be guided by this injunction to approach the world with empathy and compassion.

M'Kor Ha'Geulah, Source of Redemption, help us govern in a way that promotes the well-being of all Alaskans.

Release us, Matir Asurim, freer of the captive, from the bonds of ignorance, prejudice, and division.

And open us, Oseh Shalom, maker of peace, to embodying your attribute of chesed, loving kindness, by filling our hearts with a spirit of generosity, understanding, and unity.

Ken Yehi Ratzon, may this be so. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative McKay.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 100th and 101st legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

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Representative McKay introduced Grayson Rasmussen, Guest Page, from Anchorage.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

HCR 16

A message dated April 24 was read stating the Senate passed:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16
Designating April 21 - 27, 2024, as Crime Victims' Rights Week.

HCR 16 was referred to the Chief Clerk for enrollment.

A message dated April 24 was read stating the Senate passed the following, and they are transmitted for consideration:

**FIRST READING AND REFERENCE
OF SENATE BILLS**

SB 115

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 115(HSS) am by the Senate Health and Social Services Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to physician assistants; relating to physicians; and relating to health care insurance policies."

was read the first time and referred to the Health & Social Services and Labor & Commerce Committees.

SB 118

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 118(FIN) by the Senate Finance Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to critical and essential minerals."

was read the first time and referred to the Resources and Finance Committees.

SB 240

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 240(HSS) by the Senate Health and Social Services Committee, entitled:

"An Act allowing minors 16 years of age or older to consent to behavioral health and mental health services; authorizing school personnel to recommend a behavioral health or mental health professional to a child 16 years of age or older; and relating to medical assistance coverage for rehabilitative, mandatory, and optional services furnished or paid for by a school district on behalf of certain children."

was read the first time and referred to the Health & Social Services Committee.

SB 259

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 259(FIN) by the Senate Finance Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to the compensation of state employees; relating to the salary of the chief administrative law judge; and providing for an effective date."

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The following were received:

Dept. of Natural Resources
Board of Forestry
2023 Annual Report to the Governor
<https://forestry.alaska.gov/alaskaboardforestry/>
(as required by AS 41.17.047)

Dept. of Natural Resources
Determination to Take Oil and Gas Royalty In-Value
April 25, 2024
(as required by AS 38.05.182)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Health & Social Services Committee reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Erin Johnson

as a member of the Board of Psychologists and Psychological Associate Examiners.

The report was signed by Representative Prax, Chair; and Representatives Fields, Sumner, Ruffridge, McCormick, and Mina

The Resources Committee reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends the appointments be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Marit Carlson-Van Dort
Curtis Chamberlain

as members of the Board of Fisheries.

The report was signed by Representative McKay, Chair; and Representatives McCabe, Wright, Baker, Dibert, Armstrong, and Mears.

HB 19

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 19

"An Act relating to the registration of commercial vessels; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 19(FIN)

"An Act relating to the registration of commercial vessels."

The report was signed by Representatives D. Johnson and Edgmon, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (10): Cronk, Ortiz, Coulombe, Tomaszewski, Josephson, Hannan, Galvin, Stapp, D. Johnson, Edgmon

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 19(FIN):

4. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development
5. Zero, Dept. of Natural Resources
6. Fiscal, Dept. of Administration
7. Fiscal, Dept. of Fish & Game

HB 19 was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 111

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 111

"An Act relating to public school students who are deaf or have a hearing impairment."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 111(EDC)

"An Act relating to public school students who are deaf or hard of hearing."

The report was signed by Representatives D. Johnson and Edgmon, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (5): Tomaszewski, Cronk, Coulombe, D. Johnson, Edgmon

No recommendation (4): Ortiz, Josephson, Hannan, Stapp

Amend (1): Galvin

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 111(EDC):

2. Fiscal, Dept. of Education & Early Development

HB 111 was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 114

The Resources Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 114

"An Act relating to the definition of 'village' in the Village Safe Water Act."

The report was signed by Representative McKay, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (6): McCabe, Rauscher, Saddler, Wright, Baker, McKay

Do not pass (2): Mears, Dibert

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Environmental Conservation

HB 114 was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 191

The Health & Social Services Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 191

"An Act relating to medical care for major emergencies."

The report was signed by Representative Prax, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (5): Fields, Sumner, Ruffridge, McCormick, Mina

No recommendation (1): Prax

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Health

HB 191 was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 195

The Resources Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 195

"An Act relating to the powers of the Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission; relating to administrative areas for regulation of certain commercial set net entry permits; establishing a buy-back program for certain set net entry permits; providing for the termination of state set net tract leases under the buy-back program; closing certain water to commercial fishing; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 195(RES)

"An Act relating to the powers of the Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission; relating to administrative areas for regulation of certain commercial set net entry permits; establishing a buy-back program for certain set net entry permits; providing for the termination of state set net tract leases under the buy-back program; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representative McKay, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (5): McCabe, Wright, Baker, Rauscher, McKay

No recommendation (4): Mears, Armstrong, Dibert, Saddler

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 195(RES):

2. Indeterminate, Dept. of Natural Resources
4. Zero, Dept. of Fish & Game
5. Fiscal, Dept. of Fish & Game

HB 195 was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 257

The Finance Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 257

"An Act requiring the Department of Natural Resources to make Cook Inlet seismic survey data available to certain persons; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representatives D. Johnson and Foster, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (8): Stapp, Galvin, Coulombe, Ortiz, Tomaszewski, Cronk, D. Johnson, Foster

Amend (2): Hannan, Josephson

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Natural Resources

HB 257 was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 325

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 325

"An Act relating to business license fees; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 325(L&C)

"An Act relating to occupational licensing fees; relating to business license fees; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representative Sumner, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (3): Carrick, Wright, Sumner

No recommendation (4): Fields, Prax, Saddler, Ruffridge

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 325(L&C):

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

HB 325 was referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 375

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 375

"An Act prohibiting certain restrictions based on the energy source of a motor vehicle."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 375(L&C)
(same title)

The report was signed by Representative Sumner, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (5): Wright, Prax, Saddler, Ruffridge, Sumner

Do not pass (2): Fields, Carrick

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 375(L&C):

1. Zero, Office of the Governor/Combined

HB 375 was referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 385

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 385
"An Act relating to occupational licensing fees."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 385(L&C)
(same title)

The report was signed by Representative Sumner, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (1): Sumner

No recommendation (6): Fields, Carrick, Wright, Prax, Saddler, Ruffridge

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 385(L&C):

1. Indeterminate, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

HB 385 was referred to the Rules Committee.

SJR 20

The Community & Regional Affairs Committee considered:

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20(CRA)

Urging the United States Congress to address outages of Automated Weather Observing System stations and Automated Surface Observing System stations occurring in the state.

The report was signed by Representative McCormick, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (6): Mears, McCabe, Himschoot, McKay, Baker, McCormick

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Legislative Agency

CSSJR 20(CRA) was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 179

The Community & Regional Affairs Committee considered:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 179(CRA)

"An Act prohibiting municipalities from levying a tax on the transfer of real property; prohibiting the state from levying a tax on the transfer of real property; and relating to municipal taxation of mobile telecommunications services."

and recommends it be replaced with:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 179(CRA)

(same title)

The report was signed by Representative McCormick, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (1): Ruffridge

Do not pass (1): McCabe

No recommendation (5): Mears, Himschoot, McKay, Baker, McCormick

The following fiscal note(s) apply to HCS CSSB 179(CRA):

1. Zero, Dept. of Revenue
2. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

CSSB 179(CRA) was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 196

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

SENATE BILL NO. 196

"An Act relating to drug and alcohol testing by employers."

The report was signed by Representative Sumner, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (7): Fields, Carrick, Wright, Prax, Saddler, Ruffridge, Sumner

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development

SB 196 was referred to the Rules Committee.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The House Special Committee on Fisheries reviewed the qualifications of the following and recommends the appointments be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Marit Carlson-Van Dort
Curtis Chamberlain

as members of the Board of Fisheries.

The report was signed by Representative Vance, Chair; and Representatives McCormick, Stutes, McCabe, Carpenter, and Himschoot.

HB 194

The House Special Committee on Ways & Means considered:

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 194

"An Act relating to the duties of the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee; relating to the Executive Budget Act; establishing consensus estimating conferences; relating to the development of official information for use in preparing the state budget; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 194(W&M)

"An Act relating to the duties of the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee; relating to the Executive Budget Act; establishing consensus estimating conferences; relating to the development of official information for use in preparing the state budget; relating to strategic plans, performance plans, and financial plans for executive branch agencies; and providing for an effective date."

The report was signed by Representative Carpenter, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (5): McKay, McCabe, Allard, Tilton, Carpenter

No recommendation (2): Gray, Groh

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSSH B 194(W&M)

1. Zero, Office of the Governor/Various Depts.
2. Fiscal, Legislative Agency

SSHB 194 was referred to the Finance Committee.

SCR 10

The House Special Committee on Fisheries considered:

CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
NO. 10(FIN) am
Establishing the Joint Legislative Seafood Industry Task Force.

and recommends it be replaced with:

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 10(FSH)
(same title)

The report was signed by Representative Vance, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (4): Himschoot, McCormick, Carpenter, Stutes

No recommendation (1): C. Johnson

Amend (1): Vance

The following fiscal note(s) apply to HCS CSSCR 10(FSH):

1. Zero, Legislative Agency

CSSCR 10(FIN) am was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 154

The House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs considered:

SENATE BILL NO. 154
"An Act relating to bidder preferences in state procurement."

The report was signed by Representative Wright, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (3): Saddler, Groh, Wright

No recommendation (1): Carpenter

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, Dept. of Administration

SB 154 was referred to the Rules Committee.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

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

Honoring – Dan Traxinger
By Representatives Allard, Saddler

Honoring – Harry and Candy Young
By Representatives Allard, Saddler

Honoring – Stephen "Steve" Grohol
By Representatives Allard, Saddler

Honoring – Shirley May Staten
By Representative Galvin; Senator Gray-Jackson

Honoring – Carl Waters
By Representatives Allard, Saddler

Honoring – Daniel Albert Sullivan
By Representatives Allard, Saddler

Honoring – Victor Carlson
By Representatives Armstrong, Gray, Fields

Honoring – Steve Drussell
By Representatives Wright, Mears; Senator Wielechowski

Honoring – Yvette Stone
By Representatives Mears, Groh; Senator Wielechowski

Honoring – Guneiwti Marsha Hotch
By Representatives Story, Hannan; Senator Kiehl

Honoring – David A. Ringle
By Representatives Story, Hannan; Senator Kiehl

Honoring – Showdown Alaska
By Representatives Armstrong, Mina

Honoring – Anchorage Mayor's Marathon, 50th Anniversary
By Representative Wright; Senators Wielechowski, Dunbar

Honoring – Downtown Soup Kitchen Hope Center
By Representatives Wright, Armstrong

Honoring – Bridge Builders of Anchorage
By Representatives Wright, Mina; Senator Wielechowski

Honoring – Northeast Community Council
By Representatives Wright, Mears; Senator Wielechowski

Honoring – The United States Coast Guard in Alaska
By Representatives Wright, Stutes; Senator Wielechowski

Honoring – Russian Jack Community Council
By Representatives Wright, Mears; Senator Wielechowski

Honoring – Food Bank of Alaska
By Representatives Wright, Armstrong

Honoring – Steller Secondary School, 50th Anniversary
By Representative Galvin; Senator Gray-Jackson

Honoring – Bartlett High School Security Team
By Representatives Mears, Groh; Senator Wielechowski

Honoring – Thunder Mountain High School Region V 4A Champions,
Girls and Boys Varsity Basketball Teams
By Representatives Story, Hannan; Senator Kiehl

Honoring – Joel Hard
By Senator Olson; Representative Edgmon

Honoring – Mike Crawford
By Senator Bjorkman

Honoring – Kenai Peninsula Borough, 60th Anniversary
By Senator Bjorkman; Representative Ruffridge

Honoring – Soldotna High School Football Team, 2023 Division II
State Championship
By Senator Bjorkman; Representative Ruffridge

Honoring – Kenai Central High School Football Team, 2023 Division
III Alaska State Championship
By Senator Bjorkman; Representative Ruffridge

Honoring – Anchorage North Star Boys, 18U Hockey Team
By Senators Dunbar, Merrick

Honoring – UAA Seawolves Mens Basketball Team
By Senators Dunbar, Wielechowski; Representative Gray

In Memoriam – Ellis "Billy" Graham
By Representatives Wright, Gray; Senator Wielechowski

In Memoriam – Amanda "Mandy" Richmond Rogers
By Representatives Allard, Saddler; Senator Merrick

In Memoriam – Les V. Spickler
By Representatives Story, Hannan; Senator Kiehl

In Memoriam – Dick Erkeneff
By Senator Bjorkman

In Memoriam – Bill J. Boyd
By Senator Dunbar; Representative Mina

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

HB 399

HOUSE BILL NO. 399 by the House Rules Committee by request of
the Governor, entitled:

"An Act relating to tax exemptions for agriculture and timber business; and providing for an effective date."

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

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Indeterminate, Dept. of Revenue

The Governor's transmittal letter dated April 25 follows:

"Dear Speaker Tilton:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill designed to reduce the burden of income, property, and sales tax on the agriculture and timber industries in the State. Under the terms of the bill, certain agriculture and timber businesses would be exempt from state and local income, property, and sales taxes for a period of 10 years.

Alaska has a vested interest in ensuring a robust agricultural and timber economy. To support that economy, this bill would exempt agriculture and timber businesses that produce at least \$25,000 per year in agriculture or timber products from local property tax assessments, city and borough sales taxes, and state corporate income tax for 10 years. The implementation of this tax exemption will promote the growth of new and existing businesses in the State.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mike Dunleavy

Governor"

HB 400

HOUSE BILL NO. 400 by the House Education Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to correspondence study programs; relating to allotments for correspondence study programs; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Education and Finance Committees.

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 88

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 88

"An Act relating to work quotas for employees at warehouse distribution centers; and providing for an effective date."

with the:

Journal Page

L&C RPT CS(L&C) 3DP 4NR	767
FN1: ZERO(LWF)	767
JUD RPT CS(L&C) 6DP 1NR	1420
FN2: ZERO(LWF)	1420

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. 88(L&C)
(same title)

Representative Eastman objected and withdrew the objection. There being no further objection, CSHB 88(L&C) was adopted.

Amendment No. 1 was offered by Representative Carrick:

Page 1, line 9:

Delete "200"

Insert "100"

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

Representative Rauscher objected.

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

CSHB 88(L&C)
Second Reading
Amendment No. 1

YEAS: 18 NAYS: 21 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

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

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

Excused: Shaw

And so, Amendment No. 1 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 2 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 2, line 12:

Delete "federal or"

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

Representative Rauscher objected.

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

CSHB 88(L&C)
Second Reading
Amendment No. 2

YEAS: 1 NAYS: 38 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Eastman

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

Excused: Shaw

And so, Amendment No. 2 was not adopted.

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 88(L&C) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 88(L&C) was read the third time.

Representative Eastman rose to a point of order regarding interruptions during debate.

The Speaker cautioned members to proceed in order.

The question being: "Shall CSHB 88(L&C) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 88(L&C)

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 36 NAYS: 3 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Carpenter, Eastman, Prax

Excused: Shaw

And so, CSHB 88(L&C) passed the House.

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 88(L&C) was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

HB 395

The following was read the second time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 395

"An Act approving the transfer of land owned by the Alaska Railroad Corporation to the City of Nenana; and providing for an effective date."

with the:	Journal Page
TRA RPT 3DP 2NR	2367
FN1: ZERO(CED)	2367

Amendment No. 1 was offered by Representative Eastman:

Page 2, lines 11 - 13:

Delete ". The Alaska Railroad Corporation and the City of Nenana shall make and execute an agreement to conduct any necessary surveying and platting actions"

Insert "that results from surveying and platting actions conducted by agreement between the Alaska Railroad Corporation and the City of Nenana"

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

Representative McCabe objected.

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

HB 395

Second Reading

Amendment No. 1

YEAS: 2 NAYS: 37 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Eastman, Gray

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

Excused: Shaw

And so, Amendment No. 1 was not adopted.

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that HB 395 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage.

There was objection.

HB 395 will advance to third reading on the April 29 calendar.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILLS

SB 159

The following was read the second time:

SENATE BILL NO. 159

"An Act establishing Alaska Veterans' Poppy Day; and providing for an effective date."

with the:	Journal Page
RLS RPT 5DP 1NR	2398
FN1: ZERO(GOV/COMBINED)	2398

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that SB 159 be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

SB 159 was read the third time.

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The question being: "Shall SB 159 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 159

Third Reading

Final Passage

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

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

Excused: Shaw

And so, SB 159 passed the House.

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

SB 159 was signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk and returned to the Senate.

THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 254

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the April 24 calendar (page 2419), was read the third time:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 254(JUD) am

"An Act relating to minors and the Internet; and relating to use of social media by minors."

The question being: "Shall CSHB 254(JUD) am pass the House?"
The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 254(JUD) am

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 33 NAYS: 6 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Carrick, Eastman, Hannan, McCormick, Mears, Mina

Excused: Shaw

And so, CSHB 254(JUD) am passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

HB 285

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the April 24 calendar (page 2421), was read the third time:

HOUSE BILL NO. 285

"An Act relating to insurance; relating to mammograms; and providing for an effective date."

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that Representative Tomaszewski's excused absence (page 2441) be amended to begin at 12:40 p.m., today. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall HB 285 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 285

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 37 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Shaw, Tomaszewski

And so, HB 285 passed the House.

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

HB 285 was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SB 88

Representative Schrage, citing Uniform Rules 24(a) and 48(d), moved and asked unanimous consent that the following be discharged from the State Affairs Committee:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 88(FIN)

"An Act relating to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska and the teachers' retirement system; providing certain employees an opportunity to choose between the defined benefit and defined contribution plans of the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska and the teachers' retirement system; and providing for an effective date."

Representative Stapp moved and asked unanimous consent to table the motion.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall the House table the motion to discharge CSSB 88(FIN) from the State Affairs Committee?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 88(FIN)

Discharge Bill from the State Affairs Committee

Table

YEAS: 18 NAYS: 20 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Allard, Baker, Carpenter, Coulombe, Cronk, C.Johnson, D.Johnson, McCabe, McKay, Prax, Rauscher, Ruffridge, Saddler, Stapp, Sumner, Tilton, Vance, Wright

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

Excused: Shaw, Tomaszewski

And so, the motion failed.

The question being: "Shall CSSB 88(FIN) be discharged from the State Affairs Committee?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 88(FIN)

Discharge Bill from State Affairs Committee

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 19 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

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

Nays: Allard, Baker, Carpenter, Coulombe, Cronk, Eastman, C.Johnson, D.Johnson, McCabe, McKay, Prax, Rauscher, Ruffridge, Saddler, Stapp, Sumner, Tilton, Vance, Wright

Excused: Shaw, Tomaszewski

And so, the motion failed.

THIRD READING OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HJR 17

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the April 24 calendar (page 2431), was read the third time:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17

Urging the United States Congress to pass the Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policies Act.

Representative Edgmon rose to a point of order regarding improper and inappropriate remarks made during debate.

The Speaker cautioned the member to proceed in order.

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Representative Fields, citing Section 101 of Masons Manual, rose to a point of order.

The Speaker directed the member to discontinue speaking.

Representative Allard moved the previous question.

There was objection.

Representative Eastman rose to a point of order stating that the motion to call for the question was not in order.

The Speaker ruled Representative Eastman's 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:

Sustain Ruling of the Chair

YEAS: 35 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 2

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

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Shaw, Tomaszewski

Absent: Armstrong, Mears

And so, the ruling of the Chair was sustained.

The question being: "Shall the question of final passage on HJR 17 be called?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HJR 17

Third Reading

Final Passage/Call the Question

YEAS: 36 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 1

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

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Shaw, Tomaszewski

Absent: Armstrong

And so, the motion passed.

The question being: "Shall HJR 17 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HJR 17

Third Reading

Final Passage

YEAS: 36 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 1

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

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Shaw, Tomaszewski

Absent: Armstrong

And so, HJR 17 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

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 – Kim Larson
By Representatives Story, Hannan; Senator Kiehl

Honoring – Jerry Dzugan
By Representative Himschoot; Senator Stedman

Honoring – Erica Kludt-Painter
By Representative Himschoot; Senator Stedman

Honoring – Petersburg High School Boys Basketball Team, 2024 2A
State Champions
By Representative Himschoot; Senator Stedman

Honoring – Kenai Peninsula College, 60th Anniversary
By Representative Ruffridge

Honoring – Hooper Bay Warriors Girls 2A Basketball Team, 2024
Alaska State Tournament
By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

Honoring – Scammon Bay Eagles Girls 1A Basketball Team, 2024
Alaska State Tournament
By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

Honoring – Shaktoolik Wolverines Boys 1A Basketball Team, 2024
Alaska State Tournament
By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

Honoring – Shaktoolik Wolverines Girls 1A Basketball Team, 2024
State Tournament Third Place
By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

Honoring – Unalakleet Wolfpack Boys 2A Basketball Team, 2024
Alaska State Tournament
By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

Honoring – Unalakleet Wolfpack Girls 2A Basketball Team, 2024
Alaska State Tournament
By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

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Honoring – Shishmaref Northern Lights Boys 1A Basketball Team, 2024 Alaska State Tournament

By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

Honoring – Hooper Bay Warriors Boys 2A Basketball Team, 2024 Alaska State Tournament Second Place

By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

Honoring – Nome Nanooks 3A Boys Basketball Team, 2024 Alaska State Tournament Champions

By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

Honoring – Scammon Bay Eagles Boys 1A Basketball Team, 2024 Alaska State Tournament

By Representative Foster; Senator Olson

Honoring – Leslie Rohr

By Senator Bjorkman; Representative Ruffridge

Honoring – Emma Beck

By Senator Bjorkman; Representative Ruffridge

Honoring – Kenai Cardinals 3A Volleyball Team, Alaska State Champions

By Senator Bjorkman; Representative Ruffridge

Honoring – 2024 Lathrop High School Academic Decathlon Champions

By Senator Myers; Representatives Tomaszewski, Stapp

In Memoriam – Paz "Pacita" Dirksen

By Representative Josephson

In Memoriam – Paul Miranda

By Representatives Josephson, Fields

In Memoriam – Gloria Virginia "Ginny" Packer

By Representative Himschoot; Senator Stedman

In Memoriam – Robert "Bob" Patrick Owens

By Senators Claman, Dunbar; Representative Fields

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HB 195

The Speaker added a Finance Committee referral for the following:

HOUSE BILL NO. 195

"An Act relating to the powers of the Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission; relating to administrative areas for regulation of certain commercial set net entry permits; establishing a buy-back program for certain set net entry permits; providing for the termination of state set net tract leases under the buy-back program; closing certain water to commercial fishing; and providing for an effective date."

HB 195 was removed from the Rules Committee and referred to the Finance Committee.

HB 329

The Speaker removed a Finance Committee referral from the following:

HOUSE BILL NO. 329

"An Act relating to state tideland leases; and relating to aquatic farming or related hatchery operation site leases."

HB 329 was removed from the Finance Committee and referred to the Rules Committee.

HB 385

The Speaker added a Finance Committee referral for the following:

HOUSE BILL NO. 385

"An Act relating to occupational licensing fees."

HB 385 was removed from the Rules Committee and referred to the Finance Committee.

RECONSIDERATION

HB 347

Representative Eastman brought up reconsideration of the vote on CSHB 347(CRA) am (page 2430).

The following was before the House in third reading:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 347(CRA) am

"An Act relating to assessment of property, boards of equalization, and certification of assessors; and providing for an effective date."

The question to be reconsidered: "Shall CSHB 347(CRA) am pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 347(CRA) am

Third Reading

Final Passage

Reconsideration

YEAS: 32 NAYS: 1 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 5

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

Nays: Eastman

Excused: Shaw, Tomaszewski

Absent: Allard, Armstrong, Fields, Foster, Wright

And so, CSHB 347(CRA) am passed the House on reconsideration.

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the roll call on the passage of the bill be considered the roll call on the effective date clause. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

CSHB 347(CRA) am was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

HJR 17

Representatives Josephson, Galvin, Cronk, Mears, and Ortiz added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17

Urging the United States Congress to pass the Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policies Act.

HB 88

Representatives Wright, Armstrong, Schrage, Josephson, Groh, Sumner, Fields, Mears, Galvin, and Gray added as cosponsors to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 88(L&C)

"An Act relating to work quotas for employees at warehouse distribution centers; and providing for an effective date."

HB 111

Representative D. Johnson added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 111

"An Act relating to public school students who are deaf or have a hearing impairment."

HB 116

Representative Schrage added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 116

"An Act relating to appropriations from the restorative justice account."

HB 232

Representative Wright added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 232

"An Act relating to retirement benefits and military service."

HB 233

Representatives Allard, Cronk, Ruffridge, and Stutes added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 233

"An Act relating to rates and time allowances for motor vehicle warranty work."

HB 254

Representative Gray added as a cosponsor to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 254(JUD) am

"An Act relating to minors and the Internet; and relating to use of social media by minors."

HB 285

Representatives Armstrong, Allard, Schrage, Stutes, and Saddler added as cosponsors to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 285

"An Act relating to insurance; relating to mammograms; and providing for an effective date."

SB 88

Representatives Fields, Hannan, Ortiz, McCormick, and Mears added as cross sponsors to:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 88(FIN)

"An Act relating to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska and the teachers' retirement system; providing certain employees an opportunity to choose between the defined benefit and defined contribution plans of the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska and the teachers' retirement system; and providing for an effective date."

SB 99

Representative Wright added as a cross sponsor to:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 99(EDC)

"An Act establishing a financial literacy education program for public schools; and providing for an effective date."

SB 118

Representative Saddler added as a cross sponsor to:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 118(FIN)

"An Act relating to critical and essential minerals."

SB 152

Representatives Wright and Groh added as cross sponsors to:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 152(L&C)

"An Act relating to community energy facilities."

SB 154

Representative Wright added as a cross sponsor to:

SENATE BILL NO. 154

"An Act relating to bidder preferences in state procurement."

SB 159

Representatives Groh, Josephson, Fields, Gray, Stutes, Schrage, Tomaszewski, Mears, and Stapp added as cross sponsors to:

SENATE BILL NO. 159

"An Act establishing Alaska Veterans' Poppy Day; and providing for an effective date."

SB 171

Representative Himschoot added as a cross sponsor to:

SENATE BILL NO. 171

"An Act changing the residency requirements for sport fishing, hunting, and trapping privileges; and providing for an effective date."

ENGROSSMENT

HJR 17

HJR 17 was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 88

CSHB 88(L&C) was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 254

CSHB 254(JUD) am was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 285

HB 285 was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

HB 347

CSHB 347(CRA) am was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

The following meetings today were changed:

Judiciary Committee

CHANGED TO:

15 min. after adjournment

Resources Committee

CHANGED TO:

15 min. after adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 11:00 a.m., April 29. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Crystaline Jones
Chief Clerk