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Tuesday

February 7, 2023

Twenty-second Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 10:31 a.m.

The roll showed twenty members present.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Bernard Damerval, Senate Page. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Dear Lord,

I ask today that you allow us to remember. To remember each time we have been shown the immeasurable beauty of the world, of such grandeur that we cannot help but feel small. To remember the sublime. To remember our grandest motives which drive us ever towards achieving our goals, and also the smaller motives which allow us to get up each morning. To remember how great a gift it is that we are capable of wanting things and being driven toward them by that feeling.

I ask that we may forget ourselves for just a moment and remember you, Lord, in all the ways you gloriously manifest upon this earth. Amen.

Senator Kaufman led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

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

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills**SB 61**

SENATE BILL NO. 61 BY SENATOR WIELECHOWSKI, entitled:

"An Act relating to an interstate compact to elect the President and Vice-President of the United States by national popular vote; and relating to the selection of electors for candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States and to the duties of those electors."

was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary and State Affairs Committees.

Consideration of the Calendar**Citations**

Commemorating - Elizabeth Peratrovich Day
Representative(s) Story, Hannan
Senator(s) Kiehl

Senator Giessel 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 61**

Senator Gray-Jackson moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cosponsor on SENATE BILL NO. 61 "An Act relating to an interstate compact to elect the President and Vice-President of the United States by national popular vote; and relating to the selection of electors for candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States and to the duties of those electors." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Recess

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in recess to the Joint Session. Without objection, the Senate recessed at 10:37 a.m.

After Recess**Joint Session in the House**

Speaker Tilton called the House to order and in accordance with Uniform Rule 51 turned the gavel over to President Stevens, who called the Joint Session to order at 11:01 a.m.

The purpose of the Joint Session was to hear an address by the Honorable Dan Sullivan, U.S. Senator.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the roll call of the Senate be waived and all members be shown as present. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Saddler moved and asked unanimous consent the roll call of the House be waived and all members be shown as present. Without objection, it was so ordered.

President Stevens appointed Senator Shower and Representative Wright to escort U.S. Senator Dan Sullivan to the Joint Session.

The Senate Sergeant-at-Arms, Matt Simpson, announced the Honorable Dan Sullivan's entrance to the House Chamber.

Senator Dan Sullivan was escorted to the rostrum and welcomed by President Stevens and Speaker Tilton.

U.S. Senator Dan Sullivan delivered his address. This address appears in Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 4.

Following his address, there was a question and answer period. Senator Sullivan received a standing ovation and was escorted from the chamber by Representative Wright and Senator Shower.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the Joint Session stand in adjournment. Without objection, President Stevens adjourned the Joint Session at 12:20 p.m.

After Recess

In the Senate

The Senate reconvened at 12:27 p.m.

Announcements

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., February 8, 2023. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 12:27 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

Feb 07	Tuesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Feb 09	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

EDUCATION

Feb 08	Wednesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+ SB 14	RIP FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES/TEACHERS		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
	Doug Wooliver, Acting Deputy Administrative Director for the Alaska Court System		
+ SB 52	INCREASE BASE STUDENT ALLOCATION		
	-- Public Testimony --		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
	Streamed live on AKL.tv		
Feb 10	Friday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+ SB 14	RIP FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES/TEACHERS		
	-- Public Testimony --		
+ SB 52	INCREASE BASE STUDENT ALLOCATION		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
	Streamed live on AKL.tv		

FINANCE

- Feb 07 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 Fiscal Scenarios
 - Legislative Finance Division
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Feb 08 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 + SB 25 REPEALING FUNDS, ACCOUNTS, AND PROGRAMS
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 -- <Time Limit May Be Set> --
 + SB 38 INTERFERENCE WITH EMERGENCY SERVICES
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
 -- <Time Limit May Be Set> --
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Feb 09 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 -- Teleconferenced --
 School Major Maintenance & Construction Update
 - Department of Education & Early Development
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
- Feb 10 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**
 No Meeting Scheduled

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

- Feb 07 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM**
 + SB 45 DIRECT HEALTH AGREEMENT: NOT INSURANCE
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
- Feb 09 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM**
 + SB 58 MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY: POSTPARTUM MOTHERS
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY

Feb 08	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
	Informational Hearing on Department of Justice Investigation of the State of Alaska's Behavioral Health System for Children -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Feb 10	Friday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
	Consideration of Governor's Appointees: Commissioner, Department of Corrections Jen Winkelman – Juneau -- Invited & Public Testimony -- Presentation: Department of Corrections Overview by Commissioner-Designee Jen Winkelman -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

LABOR & COMMERCE

Feb 08	Wednesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
	-- Teleconferenced -- -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- Workforce Challenges in Alaska Presenters: Stephanie Queen - City Manager, City of Soldotna Terry Eubank - City Manager, City of Kenai Jeff Rogers, Finance Director, City and Borough of Juneau **Streamed live on AKL.tv**		
Feb 10	Friday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
	-- Teleconferenced -- -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- Workforce Overview from the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing (CBPL) Perspective Presentation by Director Sylvan Robb **Streamed live on AKL.tv**		

RESOURCES

Feb 08 Wednesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 Overview: Tax Structure on Cook Inlet by
 Alaska Department of Revenue, Tax Division
 Presentation: Alaska Department of Natural
 Resources: Dept. Overview by
 Commissioner-Designee John Boyle
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

Feb 10 Friday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
 += SB 10 HUNTING/TRAPPING/FISHING: DISABLED VETS
 -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --
 Presentation: Alaska Department of Fish and
 Game: Dept. Overview by
 Commissioner Doug Vincent-Lang
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

STATE AFFAIRS

Feb 07 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 3:30 PM
 -- Please Note Location Change --
 Joint Meeting with House State Affairs Committee
 Overview: Department of Public Safety by
 Commissioner Jim Cockrell
 Overview: Department of Corrections by
 Commissioner-Designee Jen Winkleman
 -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

Feb 09 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM
 No Meeting Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

Feb 07	Tuesday No Meeting Scheduled	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
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Feb 09	Thursday -- Teleconference <Listen Only> -- Presentation: Overview of Aviation by The Department of Transportation & Public Facilities Presentation: Overview of Public Facilities by The Department of Transportation & Public Facilities -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- **Streamed live on AKL.tv**	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
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OTHER MEETINGS**JOINT SESSION**

Feb 07	Tuesday U.S. Senator Dan Sullivan's Annual Address	House Chamber	11:00 AM
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Feb 22	Wednesday Annual Address by Lisa Murkowski, U.S. Senator	House Chamber	11:00 AM
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