

SENATE JOURNAL
ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION

Juneau, Alaska

Tuesday

May 9, 2023

One Hundred Thirteenth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 9:30 a.m.

The roll showed nineteen members present. Senator Olson was absent.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Reverend Dr. Laura Krauss, Kunéix Hidi Northern Light United Church. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

I invite you to take a moment of stillness.

Spring has arrived. But who said Spring is not hard work? Waking up from hibernation must be a shock to any bear's system. Migrating hundreds, if not thousands of miles must be exhausting. Doubling in size each day as a skunk weed must be stretching.

We humans must now set our alarms to help us each evening go to bed with twilight still shining. Spring is time for work to burst forth from winter's hidden results. You, as the Senate, are being asked to finish your long winter's work on the behalf of all Alaskans with new growth in compassion, wisdom, and hope. May God bless you, Amen.

Senator Merrick led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the journal for the one hundred twelfth legislative day and Senate Journal Supplement No. 5 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The presence of Senator Olson was noted.

Messages from the House

Message dated May 8 was read stating the House passed and transmitted for consideration:

**First Reading and Reference of
House Resolutions****HCR 3**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3 BY
REPRESENTATIVES RUFFRIDGE, Story:

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning Senate Bill No. 57, relating to home- and community-based services under the medical assistance program; relating to medical assistance for recipients of Medicaid waivers; establishing an adult care home license and procedures; and providing for the transition of individuals from foster care to adult home care settings.

was read the first time and held on the Secretary's desk.

First Reading and Reference of House Bills

HB 61

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 61(STA) BY THE HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, entitled:

"An Act relating to restrictions on firearms and other weapons."

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

HB 120

HOUSE BILL NO. 120 BY REPRESENTATIVES TOMASZEWSKI, Wright, entitled:

"An Act relating to hunting, trapping, and fishing licenses for certain nonresident postsecondary students; and providing for an effective date."

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

Concur Messages

SB 57

Message dated May 8 was read stating the House passed and returned for consideration CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 57(FIN) am "An Act relating to home- and community-based services under the medical assistance program; relating to medical assistance for recipients of Medicaid waivers; establishing an adult care home license and procedures; providing for the transition of individuals from foster care to adult home care settings; and providing for an effective date" with the following amendment(s):

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 57(FIN) am H "An Act relating to the sharing of confidential health information between the Department of Health and the Department of Family and Community Services; relating to home- and community-based services under the medical assistance program; relating to medical assistance for recipients of Medicaid waivers; establishing a host care home license and procedures; providing for the transition of individuals from foster care to host home care settings; and providing for an effective date." (Title Change HCR 3)

President Stevens stated the concur message would be held on the Secretary's desk.

Standing Committee Reports

SB 84

The Judiciary Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 84 "An Act relating to the business of money transmission; relating to money transmission licenses, licensure requirements, and registration through the Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry; relating to the use of virtual currency for money transmission; relating to authorized delegates of a licensee; relating to acquisition of control of a license; relating to record retention and reporting requirements; authorizing the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development to cooperate with other states in the regulation of money transmission; relating to permissible investments; relating to violations and enforcement of money transmission laws; relating to money transmission license exemptions; relating to payroll processing services; repealing currency exchange licenses; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 84(JUD) "An Act relating to the business of money transmission; relating to licenses for money transmission, licensure requirements, and registration through a nationwide multistate licensing system; relating to the use of virtual currency for money transmission; relating to authorized delegates of a licensee; relating to acquisition of control of a license; relating to record retention and reporting requirements; authorizing the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development to cooperate with other states in the regulation of money transmission; relating to permissible investments; relating to violations and enforcement of money transmission laws; relating to exemptions to money transmission licensure requirements; relating to payroll processing services; relating to currency exchange licenses; amending Rules 79 and 82, Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Claman, Chair; Senator Kiehl. Signing no recommendation: Senator Kaufman.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:
Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills

SB 144

SENATE BILL NO. 144 BY SENATOR CLAMAN, entitled:

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

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce Committee.

Consideration of the Calendar**Second Reading of Senate Bills****SB 45**

SENATE BILL NO. 45 "An Act relating to insurance; relating to direct health care agreements; and relating to unfair trade practices" was read the second time.

Senator Bjorkman, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Labor and Commerce Committee Substitute offered on page 808. Without objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 45(L&C) "An Act relating to insurance; relating to direct health care agreements; relating to the duties of the director of the division of insurance in the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development; relating to unfair trade practices; and providing for an effective date" was adopted.

President Stevens stated CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 45(L&C) will advance to third reading on the May 10 calendar.

SB 119

SENATE BILL NO. 119 "An Act relating to state identifications and driver's licenses for persons in the custody of the Department of Corrections; relating to state identifications issued by the Department of Corrections; relating to the duties of the commissioner of corrections; relating to misconduct involving confidential information; relating to voter identification; relating to identification for fishing permits; relating to identification for debtor financing statements; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

President Stevens stated SENATE BILL NO. 119 will advance to third reading on the May 10 calendar.

SB 126

SENATE BILL NO. 126 "An Act relating to the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors; relating to architects, engineers, land surveyors, and landscape architects; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

President Stevens stated SENATE BILL NO. 126 will advance to third reading on the May 10 calendar.

Citations

Honoring – Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month
Senator(s) Kawasaki, Dunbar
Representative(s) Mina

In Memoriam – Timothy J. Moore
Representative(s) Vance

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

Unfinished Business

Senator Dunbar moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from May 31 through June 6; and from July 21 through August 6. Without objection, Senator Dunbar was excused.

HB 120

Senators Wilson, Bjorkman, Dunbar moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on HOUSE BILL NO. 120 "An Act relating to hunting, trapping, and fishing licenses for certain nonresident postsecondary students; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

HB 61

Senators Bjorkman, Myers, Kawasaki, Hughes, Kaufman, Wilson, Merrick moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 61(STA) "An Act relating to restrictions on firearms and other weapons." 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 9:44 a.m.

After Recess

Joint Session in the House

The consideration of the Governor's appointments in Joint Session will be published in Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 9.

After Recess

In the Senate

The Senate reconvened at 12:45 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., May 10, 2023. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Liz Clark
Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

Americans with Disabilities Act Notice - Persons with disabilities who require special accommodation or alternative communication formats to access committee meetings may contact the appropriate committee office or the Legislative Information Office in their community. Reasonable advance notice is needed to accommodate the request. For further information, call the ADA Coordinator at 465-3854 Voice/465-4980 TDD.

STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

May 09	Tuesday No Meeting Scheduled	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
May 11	Thursday No Meeting Scheduled	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM

EDUCATION

May 10	Wednesday -- MEETING CANCELED -- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled **Streamed live on AKL.tv**	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
May 12	Friday No Meeting Scheduled	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM

FINANCE

May 09	Tuesday -- MEETING CANCELED -- += SB 52 INCREASE BASE STUDENT ALLOCATION + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
---------------	---	---------------------------	----------------

SENATE JOURNAL

1020

May 9, 2023

FINANCE (continued)

May 09 Tuesday Senate Finance 532 1:30 PM

- + SB 138 ELECTIONS; VOTER REG.; CAMPAIGNS
 - Invited & Public Testimony --
 - <Time Limit May Be Set> --
 - Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:
- += SB 122 APPORTION TAXABLE INCOME; DIGITAL BUSINESS
- += SB 48 CARBON OFFSET PROGRAM ON STATE LAND

May 10 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- += SB 41 APPROP: CAPITAL/SUPPLEMENTAL
- += HB 39 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUND; SUPP
- + SB 95 LICENSE PLATES: SPECIALTY ORGANIZATIONS
 - Invited & Public Testimony --
 - <Time Limit May Be Set> --
 - Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 10 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 1:30 PM

- += SB 88 RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; DEFINED BENEFIT OPT.
 - Invited & Public Testimony --
 - <Time Limit May Be Set> --
 - Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 11 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- + SB 125 AK HOUSING FINANCE CORP: SUSTAIN ENERGY
 - Invited & Public Testimony --
 - <Time Limit May Be Set> --
 - Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 11 Thursday Senate Finance 532 1:30 PM

- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 12 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM

- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 12 Friday Senate Finance 532 1:00 PM

- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 13 Saturday Senate Finance 532 10:00 AM

- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

SENATE JOURNAL

May 9, 2023

1021

HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

May 09 Tuesday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
+= HB 60 RUNAWAYS; DFCS/DOH: DUTIES/LICENSING/INFO

May 11 Thursday Butrovich 205 3:30 PM
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY

May 10 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
-- Delayed to a Call of the Chair --
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:
+ HB 61 LIMITATIONS ON FIREARMS RESTRICTIONS
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

May 12 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM
+= SB 128 COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY CLOSURE
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

LABOR & COMMERCE

May 10 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
Presentation: Vickie Choitz, Director,
Corporation for a Skilled Workforce, Trauma and
Resilience at Work
-- Invited Testimony --
+= SB 73 REGISTER INTERIOR DESIGNERS
+= SB 60 REPEAL WORKERS' COMP APPEALS COMMISSION
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
Streamed live on AKL.tv

May 12 Friday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 1:30 PM
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

SENATE JOURNAL

1022

May 9, 2023

RESOURCES

May 10 **Wednesday** **Butrovich 205** **3:30 PM**
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

May 12 **Friday** **Butrovich 205** **3:30 PM**
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

STATE AFFAIRS

May 09 **Tuesday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **3:30 PM**
+ -- MEETING CANCELED --
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 11 **Thursday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **3:30 PM**
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 13 **Saturday** **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)** **9:00 AM**
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

TRANSPORTATION

May 09 **Tuesday** **Butrovich 205** **1:30 PM**
+ -- MEETING CANCELED --
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

May 11 **Thursday** **Butrovich 205** **1:30 PM**
+ SB 141 NAMING RAYMOND & ESTHER CONQUEST BRIDGE
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --
+= SB 129 MATT GLOVER BIKE PATH
 -- Public Testimony --
 Streamed live on AKL.tv

JOINT COMMITTEES

REDISTRICTING BOARD

May 15	Monday	Anch Lio Denali Rm	1:00 PM
+	1. Adoption of Agenda		
+	2. New Member Swearing In, Pending Appointment		
+	3. Adoption of Minutes		
+	4. Public Testimony		
+	5. Review of Legal Counsel of Alaska Supreme Court Decision In the Matter of the 2021 Redistricting Cases, April 21, 2023		
+	6. Consideration of Adoption of Interim 2022 Plan as Final 2023 Redistricting Plan		
+	7. Board Member Comments		
	Teleconference Public Listen-In and Testimony		
	Phone Numbers: Anchorage 563-9085, Juneau 586-9085, Other 844-586-9085.		

OTHER MEETINGS

JOINT SESSION

May 09	Tuesday	House Chamber	10:00 AM
+	Consideration of Governor's Appointments to Boards & Commissions		