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Friday

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Eleventh Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 11:02 a.m.

The roll showed twenty members present.

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

Almighty God, our help in ages past and our hope for years to come, I pray for these members of the State Senate.

I pray for your guidance for these lawmakers during these challenging times. Strengthen their resolve so that, in the face of that which seems overwhelming, they will not be discouraged in their work.

I pray that you will guide them through their deliberations, their conversations, and in the tasks that are ever before them. May they face difficulties with fortitude, their duties with fidelity, and in all things gratitude for the opportunity to serve.

I pray you will shield them from harm. I pray for these senators, the staff, the pages, and all in this building. Watch over them, enliven their work, and uphold them in your mercy.

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I pray for the state of Alaska, for our nation, and for our world, for you are our hope for years to come.

I ask all of this in your holy name.

Amen.

Senator Gray-Jackson led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the journals for the ninth and tenth legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the House

Message dated January 24 was read stating:

The House of Representatives respectfully invites the Senate to a Joint Session of the Thirty-Third Alaska Legislature at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 14 for the purpose of hearing U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski's annual address in the House Chambers.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate accept the House invitation to meet in Joint Session. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

Message dated January 24 was read stating:

The House of Representatives respectfully invites the Senate to a Joint Session of the Thirty-Third Alaska Legislature at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 21 for the purpose of hearing U.S. Senator Dan Sullivan's annual address in the House Chambers.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate accept the House invitation to meet in Joint Session. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

Communications

The following reports are on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate:

Commission on Postsecondary Education

Department of Education and Early Development

Department of Labor and Workforce Development and University of Alaska

Joint report:

Alaska Performance Scholarship Outcomes Report 2024
in accordance with AS 14.43.840

Department of Labor and Workforce Development

Nonresidents Working in Alaska 2022

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in accordance with AS 36.10.130

Standing Committee Reports**SB 88**

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 88 "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" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 88(FIN)

Signing do pass: Senator Olson, Cochair; Senators Kiehl, Bishop. Signing no recommendation: Senators Hoffman, Stedman, Cochairs; Senator Merrick. Signing do not pass: Senator Wilson.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 2, Department of Administration

Fiscal Note No. 3, Senate Finance Committee

The bill is on today's calendar.

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SB 129

The Transportation Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 129 "An Act naming the Matt Glover Bike Path."

Signing do pass: Senator Kaufman, Chair; Senators Myers, Tobin.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

SB 141

The Transportation Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 141 "An Act naming the Raymond and Esther Conquest Bridge" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 141(TRA)

Signing do pass: Senator Kaufman, Chair; Senators Myers, Tobin, Kiehl. Signing no recommendation: Senator Wilson.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Transportation and Public Facilities

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

**Introduction and Reference of
Senate Resolutions**

SJR 13

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13 BY SENATOR DUNBAR,

Encouraging the United States Congress and the President of the United States to pass and sign legislation amending the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to release certain land held in trust back to affected Alaska Native village corporations.

was read the first time and referred to the Community and Regional Affairs Committee.

Introduction and Reference of Senate Bills**SB 207**

SENATE BILL NO. 207 BY SENATOR KAWASAKI, entitled:

"An Act creating the military and veteran family help desk in the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs; and providing for an effective date."

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

SB 208

SENATE BILL NO. 208 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act relating to the registration and titling of vehicles; relating to electronic registration and titling; relating to the powers of the commissioner of administration with respect to motor vehicles; relating to the transfer of vehicles; relating to motor vehicle liability insurance; relating to non-domiciled commercial driver's licenses and non-domiciled commercial learner's permits; and providing for an effective date."

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

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Administration

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Public Safety

Governor's transmittal letter dated January 24:

Dear President Stevens:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill making various amendments to the statutes of the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV).

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This is an omnibus bill that makes changes primarily aimed at modernizing DMV's processes and systems. These changes authorize and allow DMV to implement electronic vehicle titling and registration, enter into data-sharing agreements with law enforcement agencies or national driver data services, and issue non-domiciled commercial driver's licenses and learner permits. Other changes include the repeal of provisions concerning the long-shuttered vehicle emissions inspection program, cleanup of ambiguous or contradictory statutes, clarification on registration requirements, and new language requiring that DMV review crash reports and request proof of insurance from persons who did not already provide it as required by law.

These changes will enhance organizational efficiency, remove barriers to modernization of key DMV systems and processes, and ensure DMV's communications and practices remain clear and relevant in both the State and National contexts.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mike Dunleavy
Governor

SB 209

SENATE BILL NO. 209 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act relating to electronic monitoring of fishing
vessels; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce and Finance Committees.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Fish and Game

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Governor's transmittal letter dated January 24:

Dear President Stevens:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to electronic monitoring (i.e., video cameras and gear sensors that capture information on fishing location and catch) of fishing vessels. State law provides authority for the Board of Fisheries (Board) to establish by regulation onboard observer programs for fishing vessels in fisheries based on its determination that enumerated criteria are met. The Commissioner of the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) is authorized to implement an onboard observer program required by the Board. This bill would authorize the Board to require electronic monitoring as an alternative or additional option to onboard observers in State fisheries and would authorize the Commissioner of DFG to implement electronic monitoring programs required by the Board.

Electronic monitoring has been increasingly adopted to collect catch data in Federal fisheries. While onboard observers have traditionally been the primary way to collect independent information on a vessel's activities and catch, placing observers on vessels can create challenges due to the additional cost and space required onboard. Electronic monitoring offers an efficient, less intrusive, and more cost-effective alternative. Establishing the Board and DFG's ability to implement an electronic monitoring program now would allow use of current technologies while positioning the State to use new technologies once they are widely available.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mike Dunleavy
Governor

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SB 210

SENATE BILL NO. 210 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act relating to salmon hatchery permits; and authorizing the sale of salmon to permitted persons for stocking lakes."

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

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Fish and Game

Governor's transmittal letter dated January 24:

Dear President Stevens:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the sale of salmon by private nonprofit hatcheries (PNP) to private persons for purposes of stocking lakes. Salmon hatcheries are governed by AS 16.10.375 - 16.10.480. The Commissioner of the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) is empowered by AS 16.10.400 to issue permits to nonprofit corporations for construction and operations of salmon hatcheries.

This bill is intended to provide an exception to the limitations on sale of salmon by PNP hatcheries. Sale of salmon eggs are not included in the exception. The bill would clarify that nothing in a PNP hatchery permit may prohibit the sale of salmon by a hatchery to a person for the purpose of stocking lakes in the State. A person who wishes to purchase salmon under this bill would need to first obtain a fish transport permit under 5 AAC 41.005, which is required to collect, transport, possess, propagate, export from the State, or release into waters of the State, any aquatic organisms. Permitting provides DFG the ability to evaluate proposed stocking locations, land ownership, and possible impacts to wild fish populations. This process will ensure that fish sold to the public will not adversely affect Alaska's wild fish populations.

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I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mike Dunleavy
Governor

SB 211

SENATE BILL NO. 211 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act relating to the powers of the board of agriculture and conservation; relating to loans and limitations under the Alaska Agricultural Loan Act; relating to federal crop insurance contributions; relating to municipal and state procurement preferences for agricultural products harvested in the state and fisheries products harvested or processed in the state; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Labor and Commerce and Finance Committees.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 3, Department of Natural Resources

Governor's transmittal letter dated January 24:

Dear President Stevens:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to agricultural loans issued under the Alaska Agricultural Loan Act, crop insurance premium subsidies under the Alaska Crop Insurance Support Program, and a five-year expansion of the Alaska Product Preference Program.

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This bill promotes development of Alaska's agricultural economy through amendment of legacy programs. It does this by increasing access to and availability of agricultural loans, revising crop insurance premium subsidies for covered producers, and stimulating State spending on Alaskan agricultural and fisheries products through a temporary repeal of the percentage preference cap applicable to State purchases.

Specifically, this bill updates the Alaska Agricultural Loan Act by repealing outdated maximum loan limits for agricultural loans and allowing the Board of Agriculture and Conservation (Board) to set certain loan limits in regulation. It creates new powers for the Board that include making loans that cover shipping costs to and within the State and refinancing certain agricultural loans. The bill also reduces the number of members of the Board required for a quorum, thereby making it easier for the Board to conduct business.

The bill would amend the Alaska Crop Insurance Support Program to revise the subsidy provided for covered producers of agricultural products through participation in the Federal crop insurance program. Enacted in 1984, the Federal crop insurance support program requires the State to enter into an agreement with the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation under which the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) agrees to pay a portion of the Federal crop insurance program's premiums paid by producers of agricultural commodities in the State. The bill would amend the Federal crop insurance program's statutory payment structure to provide a staggered five-year subsidy to agricultural producers in the State whose crops are covered by revenue protection policies. The bill will incentivize increased planting by lowering risks for farmers; increase access to capital for farm improvements by guaranteeing revenue in the event of unfavorable growing or harvest conditions or price declines; and lead to a larger supply of in-state feedstocks that will enhance food security through reduced imports and end-use prices, larger herd sizes and therefore increased throughput that will improve the economic viability of meat processing facilities.

The bill would enact a five-year repeal of the procurement preference percentages applicable to the purchase of Alaskan agricultural and fisheries products under State and municipal product preference

programs. In place of the percentages, the bill will require the State, school districts, and municipalities that purchase products with State funds to purchase an available Alaskan agricultural or fisheries product if the product is of “like quality” compared with a similar product harvested outside the State. To mitigate potential increased costs due to mandatory purchase of Alaskan products, the bill contains three protective measures: a five-year sunset that reverts the amended provisions back to current law, a requirement that Alaskan producers submit accurate wholesale pricing lists in response to solicitations, and an annual reporting requirement to the legislature. Alaska’s farmers often struggle to enter retail channels because of corporate requirements for regular and dependable deliveries to secure shelf space. By providing access to market through institutional buying power, Alaskan producers will have the ability to scale up with less risk and have the ability to reach a level of production that can meet the requirements of retail customers. The bill will also increase economic activity by keeping State funds circulating within Alaska rather than being sent to food producers based outside of Alaska.

Changes to the Alaska Agricultural Loan Act and the Alaska Crop Insurance Support Program contemplated by this bill have a July 1, 2025 delayed effective date to allow the respective agencies time to adopt implementing regulations. Amendments to the State and municipal product preference programs would be effective July 1, 2024, and sunset June 30, 2029.

In summary, this bill reduces risks for Alaska’s producers in three ways: by increasing access to capital, providing revenue protection for farmers, and providing a market for producers who wish to scale up their operations. By reducing these risks, the bill will incentivize increased Alaska grown and harvested production, create in-state economic activity, and strengthen overall food security for Alaskans.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mike Dunleavy
Governor

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SB 212

SENATE BILL NO. 212 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act establishing the sport fishing angler access account; establishing the sport fishing angler access surcharge; and providing for an effective date."

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

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Fish and Game

Governor's transmittal letter dated January 24:

Dear President Stevens:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill to establish a sport fishing license surcharge for the purpose of increasing non-boating angler access to fishing resources. This bill adds a surcharge ranging from \$4 to \$40 to sports fishing licenses purchased depending on the type of license purchased.

This bill will create parity in angler access to fishing resources between shore access and motorized access. Currently, the Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act directs the majority of its funding to boating access projects and cannot be used for projects that primarily support subsistence or personal use. Consequently, funding requests for non-boating angler access compete directly with other eligible programs for State funding. The imposition of the surcharge will alleviate some of the pressure on these funding requests and increase the ability of the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) to support subsistence and personal use access to fisheries.

Under the terms of the bill, a sport fishing angler access surcharge is assessed on all sport fishing licenses purchased in the State. The bill waives the surcharge for disabled veterans and active members of the Alaska National Guard, along with individuals eligible for a \$5 license

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due to financial issues. The surcharge is \$4 for residents and special nonresident military licenses. The surcharge for all other nonresidents varies between \$5 for a one-day license to \$40 for an annual nonresident license. The funds collected under the bill will be deposited into the Sport Fishing Angler Access Account within the Fish and Game Fund. The purpose of this account is to directly benefit anglers through the development and improvement of access, services, and facilities for lakes, ponds, or waterways not related to motor or power boat use.

Fishing access is of critical importance in Alaska. While federal funds assist with ensuring motorized fishing access, many Alaskans utilize trails and shore-side assets to engage in recreational and subsistence fishing. Establishment of a sport fishing angler access surcharge will allow DFG to fund critical services supporting recreational and subsistence fishing, including the construction and maintenance of trails, development and construction of angler access facilities, and the increasing of public awareness of access to angling opportunities through publication of guides, brochures, maps, internet sites, and other aids.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mike Dunleavy

Governor

SB 213

SENATE BILL NO. 213 BY SENATOR OLSON, entitled:

"An Act relating to alcohol; relating to local option elections; relating to the statewide database of alcohol purchases; relating to alcohol licenses, endorsements, and permits; relating to municipal regulation and taxation of alcoholic beverages; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to the Community and Regional Affairs, Labor and Commerce and Finance Committees.

Consideration of the Calendar**Second Reading of Senate Bills****SB 88**

SENATE BILL NO. 88 "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" was read the second time.

Senator Olson, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Finance Committee Substitute offered today. Without objection, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 88(FIN) was adopted.

President Stevens stated CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 88(FIN) will advance to third reading on the January 29 calendar.

Citations

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the following citation be made a special order of business. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Special Order of Business

Honoring - U.S. Coast Guard Base Kodiak
Representative(s) Stutes

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 169**

Senator Gray-Jackson moved and asked unanimous consent to withdraw SENATE BILL NO. 169 "An Act relating to residential prepaid rent and security deposits; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, the bill was withdrawn.

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Senator Kaufman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from February 4 through February 11. Without objection, Senator Kaufman was excused.

Senator Myers moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from afternoon plane time, February 15 through evening plane time, February 18. Without objection, Senator Myers was excused.

Senator Shower moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on January 31. Without objection, Senator Shower was excused.

Senator Claman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on February 22 and February 23. Without objection, Senator Claman was excused.

EO 135

President Stevens removed the Labor and Commerce Committee referral from EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 135, Eliminating the Alaska Safety Advisory Council.

President Stevens added a Judiciary Committee referral to EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 135.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 135 was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Select Committee on Legislative Ethics – Ratification

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent to take up the nominations of Dennis “Skip” Cook, Joyce Anderson and Rachel Kelly (alternate) to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics, which had been held on the Secretary’s desk (page 1407). Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate ratify Dennis “Skip” Cook, Joyce Anderson and Rachel Kelly (alternate) as public members to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics. Without objection, the ratification was before the Senate.

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The question being: "Shall Dennis "Skip" Cook, Joyce Anderson and Rachel Kelly (alternate) be ratified as public members to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Shall Dennis "Skip" Cook, Joyce Anderson and Rachel Kelly (alternate) be ratified to the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics?

YEAS: 19 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Bishop, Bjorkman, Claman, Dunbar, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Hughes, Kaufman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Merrick, Myers, Olson, Shower, Stevens, Tobin, Wielechowski, Wilson

Absent: Stedman

and so, Dennis "Skip" Cook, Joyce Anderson and Rachel Kelly (alternate) were ratified by the Senate.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

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., January 29, 2024. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Liz Clark
Secretary of the Senate

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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

Jan 30	Tuesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
+ SB 161	TAX EXEMPTION FOR FARM USE LAND	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- **Streamed live on AKL.tv**	
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Feb 01	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
+ SB 161	TAX EXEMPTION FOR FARM USE LAND	-- Public Testimony --	
+	Presentation: Alaska Broadband Office Update		
+ SJR 13	AMEND ALASKA NATIVE CLAIMS SETTLEMENT ACT		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

EDUCATION

Jan 26	Friday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Jan 29	Monday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+	Presentation: Youth Homelessness and Education by Barbara Duffield, Executive Director, SchoolHouse Connection Rodd Monts, Director of State Policy, SchoolHouse Connection		

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Likka McCauley, Director of Federal Programs,
Anchorage School District

David Mayo-Kieley, Program Coordinator for the
Child in Transition Program, Anchorage School
District

Eric Grebing, Co-Director, National Center for
Homeless Education

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled
Streamed live on AKL.tv

Jan 31	Wednesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+	Presentation: The Prenatal-to-3 System of Care in Alaska by Cynthia Osborne, Executive Director, Prenatal-to-3 Policy Impact Center Alaska Prenatal-to-3 Stakeholders		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled **Streamed live on AKL.tv**		
Feb 02	Friday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		

FINANCE

Jan 26	Friday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	Presentation: Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Jan 29	Monday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+ SB 127	TAXATION: VEHICLE RENTALS, SUBPOENAS -- Invited & Public Testimony -- <Time Limit May Be Set>		
+ SB 170	EXTEND SENIOR BENEFITS PAYMENT PROGRAM Invited Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set>		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

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FINANCE (continued)

Jan 29	Monday	Senate Finance 532	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Jan 30	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	PERS/TRS Update		
	Alaska Retirement Management Board		
	<Above Item Removed from Agenda>		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Jan 30	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	1:30 PM
+	SB 56 AK PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIP; ELIGIBILITY		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
	<Time Limit May Be Set>		
+	HB 26 OFFICIAL LANG; COUNCIL FOR AK NATIVE LANG		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
	<Time Limit May Be Set>		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Jan 31	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	SENATE BILL: FY24 SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST		
	<Pending Introduction & Referral>		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Jan 31	Wednesday	Senate Finance 532	1:30 PM
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Feb 01	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET		
	Presentation: Alaska Mental Health Trust		
	Authority Update		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Feb 01	Thursday	Senate Finance 532	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Feb 02	Friday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
+	Administration Response to Prior Meetings		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

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HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

Jan 30	Tuesday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+	Presentation: Division of Insurance: 80th Percentile Rule		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Feb 01	Thursday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+	EO 125 ELIMINATING THE ALASKA COUNCIL ON EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES -- Public Testimony --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

JUDICIARY

Jan 26	Friday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
+	Informational Hearing by the Office of Public Advocacy on Public Guardianship		
Jan 29	Monday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
Jan 31	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
+	EO 133 ELIMINATING THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION ADVISORY BOARD -- Invited & Public Testimony --		
+	EO 135 ELIMINATING THE ALASKA SAFETY ADVISORY COUNCIL -- Invited & Public Testimony --		
Feb 02	Friday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

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LABOR & COMMERCE

Jan 26	Friday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
		No Meeting Scheduled	
Jan 29	Monday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
+= SB 182	EXTEND BIG GAME COMM SERVICES BOARD		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
+ SB 152	COMMUNITY ENERGY FACILITIES; NET METERING		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
	Streamed live on AKL.tv		
Jan 31	Wednesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
+ EO 127	ELIMINATING THE BOARD OF MASSAGE		
	THERAPISTS		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+ EO 129	ELIMINATING THE BOARD OF BARBERS AND		
	HAIRDRESSERS		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+ EO 130	ELIMINATING THE BOARD OF CERTIFIED		
	DIRECT ENTRY MIDWIVES		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
	Streamed live on AKL.tv		
Feb 02	Friday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	1:30 PM
+ EO 127	ELIMINATING THE BOARD OF MASSAGE		
	THERAPISTS		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
	<Time Limit May Be Set>		
+ EO 129	ELIMINATING THE BOARD OF BARBERS AND		
	HAIRDRESSERS		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
	<Time Limit May Be Set>		
+ EO 130	ELIMINATING THE BOARD OF CERTIFIED		
	DIRECT ENTRY MIDWIVES		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
	<Time Limit May Be Set>		
	Streamed live on AKL.tv		

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RESOURCES

Jan 26	Friday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+ SB 49	CARBON STORAGE -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled **Streamed live on AKL.tv**		
Jan 29	Monday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+ SB 190	BIG GAME HUNTING BY PERSON W/ DISABILITY -- Invited & Public Testimony -- Overview: Alaska Department of Fish and Game by Commissioner Doug Vincent-Lang + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled **Streamed live on AKL.tv**		
Jan 31	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+ HB 125	TRAPPING CABINS ON STATE LAND -- Public Testimony --		
+ SB 190	BIG GAME HUNTING BY PERSON W/ DISABILITY <Bill Hearing Canceled> -- Public Testimony --		
+ SB 198	STATE LAND FOR REMOTE REC CABIN SITES -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- EO 128 SEPARATING THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ALASKA ENERGY AUTHORITY FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ALASKA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND EXPORT AUTHORITY -- Invited & Public Testimony -- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled **Streamed live on AKL.tv**		
Feb 02	Friday	Butrovich 205	3:30 PM
+ SB 118	CRITICAL NATURAL RESOURCES; REPORTS -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+ EO 132	ELIMINATING THE ALASKA CHILKAT BALD EAGLE PRESERVE ADVISORY COUNCIL -- Invited & Public Testimony -- -- <Time Limit May Be Set> --		
+ EO 132	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled **Streamed live on AKL.tv**		

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STATE AFFAIRS

Jan 30	Tuesday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+	EO 128 SEPARATE MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ALASKA ENERGY AUTHORITY AND THE ALASKA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND EXPORT AUTHORITY -- Invited & Public Testimony --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled **Streamed live on AKL.tv**		
Feb 01	Thursday	Beltz 105 (tsbldg)	3:30 PM
+	SB 159 ALASKA VETERANS' POPPY DAY -- Invited & Public Testimony --		
+	SB 177 AI, DEEPFAKES, CYBERSECURITY, DATA XFERS -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled **Streamed live on AKL.tv**		

TRANSPORTATION

Jan 30	Tuesday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
	No Meeting Scheduled		
Feb 01	Thursday	Butrovich 205	1:30 PM
+	Presentation: Winter Weather Operations by Department of Transportation and Public Facilities		
+	EO 131 REORGANIZING OF THE ALASKA MARINE HIGHWAY OPERATIONS BOARD -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		

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OTHER MEETINGS

JOINT SESSION

Jan 29	Monday	House Chamber	7:00 PM
+		State of the State Address by Governor Mike Dunleavy	
Feb 07	Wednesday	House Chamber	11:00 AM
+		State of the Judiciary Address by Chief Justice Peter J. Maassen	
Feb 14	Wednesday	House Chamber	11:00 AM
+		Annual Address by Lisa Murkowski, U.S. Senator	
Feb 21	Wednesday	House Chamber	11:00 AM
+		Annual Address by Dan Sullivan, U.S. Senator	

MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS

Jan 31	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	12:00 PM
	Lunch & Learn Presentation: Alaska Children's Trust Presented by: Trevor Storrs, President and CEO and Jen Griffis, Vice President of Policy & Advocacy Sponsored by Senator Tobin		
Feb 06	Tuesday	Butrovich 205	12:00 PM
	Lunch & Learn Presentation: Understanding the Crisis of MMIWG2S/MMIP in Alaska by: Dr. Charlene Aqpik Apok, Executive Director, Data for Indigenous Justice Kendra Kloster, Co-Director Law & Policy, Alaska Native Women's Resource Center Kelsey Potdevin, Education and Outreach Manager, Alaska Native Justice Center Sponsored by Senator Olson		

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MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS (continued)

Feb 07	Wednesday	Butrovich 205	12:00 PM
	Lunch & Learn Presentation: Understanding Recent Changes to Alaska's Unique Legal Landscape: How Alaska Tribes are Pursuing Justice and Public Safety In Our Communities by Alex Cleghorn, Chief Operating Officer, Alaska Native Justice Center Rick Garcia, Co-Director Law & Policy, Alaska Native Women's Resource Center Maude Blair, Tribal Justice Manager for Alaska Native Justice Center Tami Truett Jerue, Executive Director, Alaska Native Women's Resource Center Sponsored by Senator Wielechowski		