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**Juneau, Alaska**

**Wednesday**

**January 31, 2024**

**Sixteenth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 11:01 a.m.

The roll showed seventeen members present. Senators Bishop, Shower were excused from a call of the Senate. Senator Claman was absent.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Kermit Wilson, Safe Harbor Church. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Heavenly father,

You have said this is a day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. Thank you for the blessings of this day. We're grateful for our families, our friends, and colleagues. I ask for your protection, provision, and guidance for them. I pray for the knowledge to know what to do and for wisdom to know how to do it.

God, I ask that you would watch over our fellow Alaskans this day. Grant them provision for every need. I pray for safety, for success for our first responders, for those whose work is especially dangerous, and those gathering for subsistence.

God, I ask that you would keep those safe that are travelling by land and sea and air this day. God, grant rescue for anyone in peril.

Finally, thank you.

Amen.

Senator Kaufman led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Certification**

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the journal for the fifteenth legislative day and Senate and House Joint Journal Supplement No. 11 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent Senator Claman be excused from a call of the Senate today. Without objection, Senator Claman was excused.

### **Messages from the Governor**

Letter dated January 26 was read stating in accordance with Article III, Section 25 of the Alaska Constitution and AS 39.05.080, I submit the following nominations for department heads for confirmation:

#### **Commissioner, Department of Environmental Conservation**

Emma Pokon – Anchorage

Appointed: 12/5/2023

The appointment was referred to the Resources Committee.

#### **Commissioner, Department of Labor and Workforce Development**

Cathy Munoz – Juneau

Appointed: 1/17/2023

The appointment was referred to the Labor and Commerce Committee.

In accordance with Article III, Section 13 of the Alaska Constitution and AS 44.19.040, I submit the following nomination for lieutenant governor successor:

#### **Lieutenant Governor Successor**

Torrence Saxe – Anchorage

Appointed: 8/23/2023

The appointment was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

In accordance with AS 18.85.030, I submit the following nomination for public defender:

**Public Defender**

Terrence Haas – Anchorage  
 Appointed: 9/19/2023

The appointment was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

In accordance with Article III, Section 26 and 27 of the Alaska Constitution and AS 39.05.080, I submit the following list of appointees for confirmation:

**Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Board of Trustees**

John Sturgeon – Anchorage  
 Appointed: 3/1/2019                      Term Expires: 3/1/2024  
 Reappointed: 3/1/2024                      Term Expires: 3/1/2029

Brent Fisher – Anchorage  
 Appointed: 1/18/2021                      Term Expires: 3/1/2024  
 Reappointed: 3/1/2024                      Term Expires: 3/1/2029

The appointments were referred to the Health and Social Services and Finance Committees.

**Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission**

Michael Porcaro – Anchorage  
 Appointed: 8/8/2023                      Term Expires: 3/1/2025

**Regulatory Commission of Alaska**

John Espindola – Eagle River  
 Appointed: 6/9/2023                      Term Expires: 3/1/2025

The appointments were referred to Resources Committee.

**Alaska Labor Relations Agency**

Justin Mack – Anchorage  
 Appointed: 3/1/2021                      Term Expires: 3/1/2024  
 Reappointed: 3/1/2024                      Term Expires: 3/1/2027

**Board of Public Accountancy**

Mark Diehl - Palmer

Appointed: 6/22/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2027

**Alaska Workers' Compensation Board**

Mark Sayampanathan – Anchorage

Appointed: 6/22/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2025

Debbie White – Auke Bay

Appointed: 5/30/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2027

John Corbett – Fairbanks

Appointed: 3/10/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2027

Pamela Cline – Wasilla

Appointed: 3/8/2021

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2027

Bronson Frye – Anchorage

Appointed: 3/1/2021

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2027

**Alcoholic Beverage Control Board**

Diane Thompson – Anchorage

Appointed: 3/1/2021

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2027

Janice Hill – Haines

Appointed: 6/8/2021

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2027

**State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors**

Jeffrey Garness – Anchorage

Appointed: 3/1/2020

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

Colin Maynard – Anchorage

Appointed: 3/1/2012

Term Expires: 3/1/2016

Reappointed: 3/1/2016

Term Expires: 3/1/2020

Appointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

Paul Baril – Anchorage

Appointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

John Barry – Gustavus

Appointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

Bradford Rinkey – Anchorage

Appointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

**Board of Barbers and Hairdressers**

Tenaya Miramontes – Juneau

Appointed: 8/22/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

Wendy Palin – Palmer

Appointed: 6/22/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2025

Michelle McMullin – Anchorage

Appointed: 3/1/2020

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

**Board of Chiropractic Examiners**

Ronald Gherman – Soldotna

Appointed: 5/30/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

John Lloyd – Anchorage

Appointed: 3/1/2020

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

**Board of Examiners in Optometry**

Ethan Arndt – Anchorage

Appointed: 6/22/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2025

Bradley Cross – Soldotna

Appointed: 3/1/2019

Term Expires: 3/1/2023

Reappointed: 5/30/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2027

### **Marijuana Control Board**

Bailey Stuart – Wasilla

Appointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2027

### **Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives**

Bethel Belisle – Anchorage

Appointed: 3/1/2020

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

### **Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers**

Mae Sprague – Wasilla

Appointed: 9/18/2020

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

Jenny Buswell – Palmer

Appointed: 1/24/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2027

### **Board of Marital and Family Therapy**

Shawnmarie Carpenter – Anchorage

Appointed: 8/8/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2025

Kayla Green – Eagle River

Appointed: 3/1/2020

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

### **Board of Massage Therapists**

Emily Foster – Palmer

Appointed: 12/7/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2026

### **Board of Nursing**

Michael Collins – Wasilla

Appointed: 6/22/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2026

April Erickson – Anchorage

Appointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

**Occupational Safety and Health Review Board**

Ryan Sharratt – Kodiak

Appointed: 9/11/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2025

**Board of Pharmacy**

Sylvain Nouvion – Eagle River

Appointed: 5/30/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2027

Ashley Schaber – Anchorage

Appointed: 7/1/2021

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

**Board of Psychologists and Psychological Associate Examiners**

Lorin Bradbury – Bethel

Appointed: 8/8/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2025

Erin Johnson – Anchorage

Appointed: 3/1/2019

Term Expired: 3/1/2023

Reappointed: 5/30/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2027

Bradley McConnell – Anchorage

Appointed: 3/1/2020

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

**Board of Social Work Examiners**

Anne Wells – Fairbanks

Appointed: 6/22/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

**Board of Veterinary Examiners**

Denise Albert – Denali Park

Appointed: 3/1/2020

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

**Fishermen's Fund Advisory and Appeals Council**

Megan O'Neil – Petersburg

Appointed: 1/24/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

**State Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board**

Rebecca Dean – Fairbanks

Appointed: 11/20/2020

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

**Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission**

Nancy Shaw – Anchorage

Appointed: 9/11/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

Amy Steele – Anchorage

Appointed: 6/8/2019

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2029

The appointments were referred to the Labor and Commerce Committee.

**Alaska Police Standards Council**

Ron Dupee – Fairbanks

Appointed: 8/8/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

Dusty Dumont – Juneau

Appointed: 3/24/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

Jeff Brown – Utqiagvik

Appointed: 6/25/2021

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

The appointments were referred to the State Affairs and Judiciary Committees.

**Board of Education and Early Development**

Pamela Dupras – Anchorage

Appointed: 7/7/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2025

Barbara Tyndall – Fairbanks

Appointed: 7/7/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2028



**Professional Teaching Practices Commission**

Michael Robbins – Ketchikan

Appointed: 11/6/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2026

The appointments were referred to the Education Committee.

**State Board of Parole**

Richard Larson – Wasilla

Appointed: 3/23/2022

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2029

**Commission on Judicial Conduct**

Robert Sheldon – Anchorage

Appointed: 1/29/2008

Term Expired: 3/1/2012

Reappointed: 3/1/2012

Term Expired: 3/1/2016

Reappointed: 3/1/2016

Term Expired: 3/1/2020

Reappointed: 3/1/2020

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

**State Commission for Human Rights**

Rebecca Carrillo – Juneau

Appointed: 2/17/2021

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2029

William Craig – Sitka

Appointed: 1/24/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

**Violent Crimes Compensation Board**

Anna Cometa – Anchorage

Appointed: 5/30/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2026

The appointments were referred to the Judiciary Committee.

**Personnel Board**

Donald Handeland – Eagle River

Appointed: 9/18/2023

Term Expires: 3/1/2026

The appointment was referred to the State Affairs Committee.

**State Medical Board**

David Barnes – Palmer

Appointed: 3/22/2023

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

David Paulson – Anchorage

Appointed: 5/25/2022

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

David Wilson – Palmer

Appointed: 1/4/2022

Reappointed: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2024

Term Expires: 3/1/2028

The appointments were referred to the Health and Social Services Committee.

The resumes for these appointments have been submitted to the Office of the Senate Secretary.

**Communications**

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

Department of Environmental Conservation

Annual Loan Fund Report FY 2023

Alaska Drinking Water and Clean Water Funds

in accordance with AS 37.05.035 and AS 46.03.032

Department of Corrections

Interstate Compact Commission Annual Report

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in accordance with AS 33.36.135

Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development  
National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska  
Impact Mitigation Grant Program  
Report to the Second Session of the Thirty-third  
Alaska Legislature  
January 2024  
in accordance with AS 37.05.530

Report of the Alaska Minerals Commission  
January 2024  
in accordance with AS 44.33.431

Local Boundary Commission  
2024 Annual Report to the Second Session of the  
Thirty-Third Alaska State Legislature  
January 19, 2024  
in accordance with AS 44.33.812

Disclosure letters received from the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics, in accordance with AS 24.60, will be published in Senate Journal Supplement No. 7 and House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 12.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

#### **SB 182**

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 182 "An Act extending the termination date of the Big Game Commercial Services Board; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senator Bjorkman, Chair; Senators Dunbar, Merrick.  
Signing amend: Senator Gray-Jackson.

The following fiscal information was published today:

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 215**

SENATE BILL NO. 215 BY SENATOR BJORKMAN, entitled:

"An Act relating to teacher incentive payments for national board certification; and providing for an effective date."

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

**SB 216**

SENATE BILL NO. 216 BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR, entitled:

"An Act making supplemental appropriations, reappropriations, and other appropriations; amending appropriations; capitalizing funds; and providing for an effective date."

was read the first time and referred to Finance Committee.

Governor's transmittal letter dated January 29:

Dear President Stevens:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to supplemental appropriations for the State's operating and capital expenses for fiscal year 2024.

This appropriation bill includes \$154.6 million in unrestricted general funds, \$10.7 million in designated general funds, \$3.1 million in other State funds, and \$35.7 million in federal funds.

The items in this supplemental appropriation bill are necessary for continued operations for the current fiscal year. I look forward to working with the Legislature on the timely passage and implementation of the supplemental items in this bill.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mike Dunleavy  
Governor

### Consideration of the Calendar

#### Senate Bills in Third Reading

#### SB 88

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" which had been held in third reading (page 1455) was before the Senate.

Senator Myers moved the bill be returned to second reading for amendments offered today. Without objection, the bill was returned to second reading.

Senator Myers offered Amendment No. 1:

Page 2, following line 4:

Insert a new paragraph to read:

**"(2) first became a member of the system after June 30, 2024, and has**  
**(A) less than 10 years of credited service; or**  
**(B) 10 years or more of credited service and does not elect to participate in the defined benefit retirement plan under AS 14.25.009 - 14.25.220;"**

Renumber the following paragraphs accordingly.

Page 3, lines 4 - 8:

Delete all material and insert:

"(h) A teacher who became a member of the system after June 30, 2006, and before July 1, 2024, or who has elected under former AS 14.25.540 to participate in the defined contribution retirement plan under AS 14.25.310 - 14.25.590, is considered a teacher who first became a member of the system after June 30, 2024, if the teacher"

Page 3, following line 20:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(i) A teacher subject to (h) of this section may not receive service credit for purposes of AS 14.25.110(d) for employment between July 1, 2006, and June 30, 2024."

Page 4, following line 6:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(b) A teacher who first became a member of the system after June 30, 2024, may make a one-time election to participate in the defined benefit retirement plan under AS 14.25.009 - 14.25.220 if the teacher has earned 10 years of membership service after June 30, 2024."

Reletter the following subsections accordingly.

Page 4, line 8, following "reemployment.":

Insert "An election under (b) of this section may be made not more than 180 days after the teacher earned 10 years of membership service."

Page 4, line 8:

Delete "reemployed"

Page 4, line 8, following "(a)":

Insert "or (b)"

Page 4, line 12, following "(a)":

Insert "or (b)"

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Page 4, line 15, following "(a)":

Insert "or (b)"

Page 4, line 19, following "(a)":

Insert "or (b)"

Page 4, line 28:

Delete "(f)"

Insert "(g)"

Page 5, line 13:

Delete "(d)"

Insert "(e)"

Page 5, line 25:

Delete "(g)"

Insert "(h)"

Page 5, line 29:

Delete "(d)"

Insert "(e)"

Page 20, line 16:

Delete "**and**"

Page 20, following line 16:

Insert a new paragraph to read:

**"(2) teachers who first become members of the system after June 30, 2024, who have**

**(A) less than 10 years of credited service; or**

**(B) 10 years or more of credited service and who**

**do not elect to participate in the defined benefit retirement plan under AS 14.25.009 - 14.25.220; and"**

Renumber the following paragraph accordingly.

Page 20, line 24:

Delete "a new subsection"

Insert "new subsections"

Page 20, following line 26:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(c) In this section, "credited service" has the meaning given in AS 14.25.220."

Page 20, lines 28 - 29:

Delete "**and before July 1, 2024,**"

Page 32, line 5, following "**2024**":

Insert "**, who elect to participate in the defined benefit retirement plan under AS 39.35.095 - 39.35.680 and have**

**(A) 10 years or more of credited service; or**

**(B) five years or more of credited service as a peace officer or firefighter"**

Page 32, lines 7 - 10:

Delete all material and insert:

"(b) An employee who became a member of the system after June 30, 2006, and before July 1, 2024, or who has elected under former AS 39.35.940 to participate in the defined contribution retirement plan under AS 39.35.700 - 39.35.990, is considered an employee first hired after June 30, 2024, if the employee"

Page 33, following line 17:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(b) An employee who first became a member of the system after June 30, 2024, may make a one-time election to participate in the defined benefit retirement plan under AS 39.35.095 - 39.35.680 if, after June 30, 2024, the employee has earned

(1) 10 years or more of credited service; or

(2) five years or more of credited service as a peace officer or firefighter."

Reletter the following subsections accordingly.

Page 33, line 19:

Delete "A reemployed"

Insert "An election under (b) of this section may be made not more than 180 days after the employee earned 10 years of credited service or more than 180 days after the employee earned five years of credited service as a peace officer or firefighter. An"



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Page 33, line 20, following "(a)":  
Insert "or (b)"

Page 33, line 23, following "(a)":  
Insert "or (b)"

Page 33, line 26, following "(a)":  
Insert "or (b)"

Page 33, line 30, following "(a)":  
Insert "or (b)"

Page 34, line 8:  
Delete "(f)"  
Insert "(g)"

Page 34, line 24:  
Delete "(d)"  
Insert "(e)"

Page 35, line 4:  
Delete "(g)"  
Insert "(h)"

Page 35, line 8:  
Delete "(d)"  
Insert "(e)"

Page 49, line 3:  
Delete "**and**"

Page 49, following line 3:

Insert a new paragraph to read:

**"(2) employees who first become members of the system after June 30, 2024, who have**

**(A) less than 10 years of credited service or less than five years of credited service as a peace officer or firefighter; or**

**(B) 10 years or more of credited service, or five**

**years or more of credited service as a peace officer or firefighter, and who do not elect to participate in the defined benefit retirement plan under AS 39.35.095 - 39.35.680; and"**

ReNUMBER the following paragraph accordingly.

Page 49, line 17:

Delete "**and before July 1, 2024,**"

Senator Myers moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 1. Senator Giessel objected.

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

CSSB 88(FIN)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 1?

**YEAS: 2 NAYS: 15 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Hughes, Myers

Nays: Bjorkman, Dunbar, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kaufman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Merrick, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Tobin, Wielechowski, Wilson

Excused: Bishop, Claman, Shower

and so, Amendment No. 1 failed.

Senator Myers offered Amendment No. 2:

Page 1, line 4, following "**system;**":

Insert "**relating to participation in the state supplemental employee benefits program;**"

Page 28, following line 17:

Insert new bill sections to read:

**\*\* Sec. 43.** AS 39.30.170 is repealed and reenacted to read:

**Sec. 39.30.170. Participation in program.** An employer shall become a participating employer in the employee benefits program under AS 39.30.150 - 39.30.180, if the employer

(1) is an employer in the teachers' retirement system (AS 14.25) or the public employees' retirement system (AS 39.35); and

(2) does not participate in the federal social security system.

\* **Sec. 44.** AS 39.30.180(3) is amended to read:

(3) "participating employer" means

(A) the State of Alaska; [AND]

(B) an employer **who**

(i) [WHO] is an employer as defined in **AS 14.25.590 or AS 39.35.680; and**

(ii) **does not participate** [WHO HAS NEVER PARTICIPATED] in [OR HAS WITHDRAWN FROM PARTICIPATION IN] the federal social security system [; AND

(iii) WHOSE PARTICIPATION IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PROGRAM HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER]."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 51, line 18:

Delete "39 - 92"

Insert "39 - 94"

Page 51, line 24:

Delete "Section 93"

Insert "Section 95"

Page 51, line 25:

Delete "sec. 94"

Insert "sec. 96"

Senator Myers moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 2. Senator Giessel objected.

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

CSSB 88(FIN)  
Second Reading  
Amendment No. 2?

**YEAS: 2 NAYS: 15 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Hughes, Myers

Nays: Bjorkman, Dunbar, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kaufman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Merrick, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Tobin, Wielechowski, Wilson

Excused: Bishop, Claman, Shower

and so, Amendment No. 2 failed.

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 88(FIN) was automatically in third reading.

The question being: "Shall 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" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 88(FIN)  
Third Reading - Final Passage

**YEAS: 12 NAYS: 5 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Bjorkman, Dunbar, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Merrick, Olson, Stevens, Tobin, Wielechowski

Nays: Hughes, Kaufman, Myers, Stedman, Wilson

Excused: Bishop, Claman, Shower

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 88(FIN) passed the Senate.

Senator Giessel moved for the adoption of the effective date clause(s).

The question being: "Shall the effective date clause(s) be adopted?"  
The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 88(FIN)  
Effective Date Clause(s)

**YEAS: 17 NAYS: 0 EXCUSED: 3 ABSENT: 0**

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

Excused: Bishop, Claman, Shower

and so, the effective date clause(s) were adopted.

Senator Hoffman gave notice of reconsideration on CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 88(FIN).

### **Citations**

In Memoriam - L. Stanley "Stan" Zielinski  
Senator(s) Kawasaki, Bishop

In Memoriam - Barbara Ann "Sue" Cofey  
Senator(s) Kawasaki  
Representative(s) Dibert

In Memoriam - Kevin Charles Johnson  
Senator(s) Kawasaki  
Representative(s) Dibert

In Memoriam - Alicia Ann Alonzo  
Senator(s) Kawasaki  
Representative(s) Dibert, Prax

In Memoriam - Kenneth Dale Brewer  
Senator(s) Kawasaki  
Representative(s) Dibert

In Memoriam - Silver Peter Chord  
Senator(s) Kawasaki, Bishop

In Memoriam - Violet "Rosie" Rosemary Evans  
Senator(s) Kawasaki  
Representative(s) Dibert

In Memoriam - Valda Josephine McMahan  
Senator(s) Kawasaki  
Representative(s) Dibert

In Memoriam - Tori J. Moore  
Senator(s) Kawasaki  
Representative(s) Dibert

In Memoriam - Robert "Bob" H. Tilly  
Senator(s) Kawasaki  
Representative(s) Dibert, Carrick

In Memoriam - Jeremy Daniel Evans  
Representative(s) Stapp, Prax  
Senator(s) Kawasaki

In Memoriam - Brian Joshua Snowden  
Representative(s) Stapp  
Senator(s) Dunbar, Kawasaki

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

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**

In Memoriam - Kay Xiong Yang  
Senator(s) Wielechowski, Dunbar  
Representative(s) Wright

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**

#### **HB 26**

Senators Kiehl, Gray-Jackson, Dunbar, Tobin moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 26(TRB) "An Act relating to the official languages of the State of Alaska; renaming the Alaska Native Language Preservation and Advisory Council as the Council for Alaska Native Languages; and relating to the Council for Alaska Native Languages." Without objection, it was so ordered.

#### **SB 207**

Senators Tobin, Bjorkman, Gray-Jackson, Dunbar moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on SENATE BILL NO. 207 "An Act creating the military and veteran family help desk in the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

#### **SB 215**

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cosponsor on SENATE BILL NO. 215 "An Act relating to teacher incentive payments for national board certification; and providing for an effective date." Without objection, it was so ordered.

**SB 115**

Senators Gray-Jackson, Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cosponsors on SENATE BILL NO. 115 "An Act relating to physician assistants; relating to physicians; and relating to health care insurance policies." Without objection, it was so ordered.

**SB 152**

Senator Gray-Jackson moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as a cosponsor on SENATE BILL NO. 152 "An Act relating to community energy facilities." Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on February 13. Without objection, Senator Hoffman was excused.

**Announcements**

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

**Adjournment**

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 10:30 a.m., February 2, 2024. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 1:52 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**

<b>Feb 01</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
+ 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		

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**EDUCATION**

<b>Jan 31</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
	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**		

<b>Feb 02</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		

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**FINANCE**

**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**  
+              -- MEETING CANCELED --  
                 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

**Feb 01**      **Thursday**                              **Senate Finance 532**                      **9:00 AM**  
+      SB 188      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**

**Feb 01**      **Thursday**                              **Butrovich 205**                              **3:30 PM**  
+              EO 125 ELIMINATING THE ALASKA  
                 COUNCIL ON EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES  
                 -- Public Testimony --  
+              Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

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**JUDICIARY**

**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 --



**RESOURCES**

**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> --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
     \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

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**STATE AFFAIRS**

**Feb 01                      Thursday                      Beltz 105 (tsbldg)                      3:30 PM**  
 + SB 159 ALASKA VETERANS' POPPY DAY  
     -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
 + SB 177 AI, DEEPPAKES, CYBERSECURITY, DATA XFERS  
     -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
     \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

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**TRANSPORTATION**

**Feb 01**      **Thursday**                                      **Butrovich 205**                                      **1:30 PM**  
+                                      Presentation: Winter Weather Operations by  
Department of Transportation and Public Facilities  
+                                      EO 131 REORGANIZING THE ALASKA MARINE  
HIGHWAY OPERATIONS BOARD  
<EO Hearing Canceled>  
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --

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**OTHER MEETINGS**

**JOINT SESSION**

**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

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**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 Griffiths, Vice President of Policy & Advocacy  
Sponsored by Senator Tobin

**Feb 02**      **Friday**    **Davis 106**                                      **12:00 PM**  
+                                      Lunch & Learn Presentation  
An Emerging Market - Perspectives on Carbon  
Capture & Storage Potential in Alaska  
Presented by: Kyle Kohman, Senior Manager -  
Energy Solutions, Santos  
Brooke Ivy, Senior Advisor - Government Affairs,  
Santos  
Sponsored by: Senator Giessel & Representative Rauscher

