

**SENATE JOURNAL**  
**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE**  
**THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE**  
**SECOND SESSION**

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Friday**

**March 29, 2024**

**Seventy-fourth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President pro tempore Kiehl at 10:31 a.m. The Senate was convened for the purpose of a technical session.

President pro tempore Kiehl stated the roll call of the Senate would be waived. Without objection, it was so ordered.

**Messages from the Governor**

**HB 193**

Message was read stating the Governor signed the following bill on March 27 and transmitted the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's Office for permanent filing:

HOUSE BILL NO. 193 "An Act relating to funding for Internet services for school districts; and providing for an effective date."

Chapter 1, SLA 2024  
Effective Date: 3/28/24

**Messages from the House**

**SB 93**

Message dated March 28 was read stating the House passed and returned:

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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 93(L&C) am "An Act relating to claims for injury, disability, or heart attack payable from the fishermen's fund; relating to claims against protection and indemnity insurance policies of vessel owners; relating to the definition of 'occupational disease'; and providing for an effective date."

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

#### **SB 154**

The Labor and Commerce Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 154 "An Act relating to bidder preferences in state procurement."

Signing do pass: Senator Bjorkman, Chair; Senator Dunbar. Signing no recommendation: Senator Merrick.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, Department of Administration

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

#### **HB 28**

The Judiciary Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 28(FIN) "An Act restricting the release of certain records of convictions; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL  
NO. 28(JUD)

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

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 4, Department of Public Safety  
Fiscal Note No. 5, zero, Alaska Judiciary System

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

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**Announcements**

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

**Adjournment**

President pro tempore Kiehl stated the Senate would stand in adjournment until 2:00 p.m., April 2, 2024. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 10:33 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

<b>Apr 02</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		
<b>Apr 04</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
	Presentation: Local Boundary Commission		
+ = HCR 8	HONORING VIETNAM WAR VETERANS		
+ SB 252	ARBOR DAY		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

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## EDUCATION

<b>Mar 29</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		
<b>Apr 01</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		
<b>Apr 03</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Davis 106</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>
	-- Please Note Time & Location Change --		
	Meeting Jointly with the House Education Committee		
+	Presentation: Alaska Board of Education and		
	Early Development by		
	James Fields, State Board Chair		
	DEED Commissioner Deena Bishop		
	Members of the State Board of Education and		
	Early Development		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
	**Streamed live on AKL.tv**		

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### EDUCATION (continued)

<b>Apr 03</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
+	Presentation: Summary of the Implementation of the Federal 'Maintenance of Equity' by Austin Reid, Senior Legislative Director for Federal Education Policy, National Conference of State Legislatures -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- Legislative Finance Division **Streamed live on AKL.tv**		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
<b>Apr 05</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		

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### FINANCE

<b>Apr 03</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
+	SB 28 WORKPLACE VIOLENCE PROTECTIVE ORDERS -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+	SB 181 CHILD PLACEMENT; DILIGENT SEARCH -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+	SB 228 EXTEND BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS -- Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> -- -- Invited & Public Testimony --		
+	SB 234 EXTEND MARIJUANA CONTROL BOARD -- Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> -- -- Invited & Public Testimony --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
<b>Apr 04</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
	SB 187 APPROP: CAP; REAPPROP Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
<b>Apr 04</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
+	-- Please Note Time Change -- Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
<b>Apr 05</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
+=	SB 187 APPROP: CAP; REAPPROP Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		

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**HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES**

<b>Apr 02</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:			
+ HB 57	EMERGENCY MED. SVCS: REVIEW ORGANIZATIONS		
+ HB 344	MEDICAL ASSIST. DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS		
<b>Apr 04</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
+ Consideration of Governor's Appointees:			
	Eric Nimmo, State Medical Board		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
	Presentation: Department of Health - Child Care		
	Task Force		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:			
+ HB 89	CHILD CARE: TAX CREDITS/ASSISTANCE/GRANTS		

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**JUDICIARY**

<b>Mar 29</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		
<b>Apr 01</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		
<b>Apr 03</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
+ HB 238	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF 3RD DEGREE		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
+ SB 165	DEFENSE OF PUB. OFFICER: ETHICS COMPLAINT		
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled			
<b>Apr 05</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
+ SB 134	INS. DATA SECURITY; INFO. SECURITY PRGRMS		
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled			

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### LABOR & COMMERCE

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No Meeting Scheduled			
<b>Apr 01</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
No Meeting Scheduled			
<b>Apr 03</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
+ = SB 204	CERT. OF FITNESS: PLUMBERS/ELECTRICIANS		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
	-- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --		
+ = SB 44	NATUROPATHS: LICENSING; PRACTICE		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
	**Streamed live on AKL.tv**		
<b>Apr 05</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
+ = SB 135	AK WORK & SAVE PROGRAM; RETIRE. SAVINGS BD		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
	-- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --		
+ = SB 257	ELECTRIC UTILITY REGULATION		
	-- Invited & Public Testimony --		
	-- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
	**Streamed live on AKL.tv**		

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### RESOURCES

<b>Mar 29</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
No Meeting Scheduled			
<b>Apr 01</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
No Meeting Scheduled			
<b>Apr 03</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
+	Consideration of Governor's Appointees: Commissioner, Department of Environment Conservation: Emma Pokon Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission: Michael Porcaro -- Invited & Public Testimony --		

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## RESOURCES (continued)

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- + Presentation: Graphite Creek Project Update by Kevin Torpy, Vice President of Mining, Graphite One Inc.
- + Presentation: Donlin Project Update by Kristina Woolston, External Affairs Manager, Donlin Gold
- + SB 253 DNR BIG GAME HUNTING PRGRM/PILOT PROJECT  
-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --
- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
\*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

<b>Apr 05</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
+	Presentation: Achieving an 80% Renewable Portfolio in Alaska's Railbelt by Paul Denholm, Senior Research Fellow, National Renewable Energy Laboratory		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled **Streamed live on AKL.tv**		

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## STATE AFFAIRS

<b>Apr 02</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
+	Consideration of Governor's Appointees: Personnel Board - Donald Handeland -- Public Testimony --		
	Consideration of Governor's Appointees: Alaska Police Standards Council - Ron Dupee Dusty Dumont Jeff Brown		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled **Streamed live on AKL.tv**		

<b>Apr 04</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
+ = SB 201	OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY -- Public Testimony --		
+ = SB 177	AI, DEEFAKES, CYBERSECURITY, DATA XFERS SENATE BILL: AI TASK FORCE <Pending Introduction & Referral> -- Invited & Public Testimony --		
+	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled **Streamed live on AKL.tv**		

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### TRANSPORTATION

<b>Apr 02</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
No Meeting Scheduled			
<b>Apr 04</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
+ = HJR 19	PORT MACKENZIE & NORTHERN RAIL EXTENSIONS -- Invited & Public Testimony -- SENATE BILL: ROADS & HIGHWAYS ADVISORY BOARD AND THE STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN <Pending Introduction & Referral>		

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### FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES

#### ADMINISTRATION

<b>Apr 11</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>
+	Budget Closeout		

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### CORRECTIONS

<b>Apr 11</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>5:45 PM</b>
+	Budget Closeout		

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### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

<b>Apr 10</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
+	Overview: Department of Environmental Conservation Senate Finance Subcommittee Closeout		

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### JUDICIARY

<b>Apr 11</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>5:15 PM</b>
+	Budget Closeout		

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**FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES (continued)**

**LABOR & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

**Apr 11**      **Thursday**                      **Senate Finance 532**              **7:30 AM**  
+                      FY25 Budget Closeout

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**MILITARY & VETERANS' AFFAIRS**

**Apr 10**      **Wednesday**                      **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)**              **12:20 PM**  
+                      Overview:  
                            Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs  
                            Senate Finance Subcommittee Closeout

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**NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Apr 04**      **Thursday**                      **Senate Finance 532**              **7:30 AM**  
+                      FY25 Budget Closeout

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**REVENUE**

**Apr 10**      **Wednesday**                      **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)**              **12:40 PM**  
+                      Overview:  
                            Department of Revenue  
                            Senate Finance Subcommittee Closeout

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**JOINT COMMITTEES**

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT**

**Apr 04**      **Thursday**                      **Adams 519**                      **5:00 PM**  
+                      I. Approval of Minutes  
                            a. March 6, 2024  
II. Executive Session (Audit)  
a. Preliminary Release of the FY23 State Single Audit  
Juneau (907) 586-9085, Anchorage (907) 563-9085  
All other 844-586-9085

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### JOINT COMMITTEES (continued)

#### SELECT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS

<b>Apr 04</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Barnes 124</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>
+	I. Update on Committee Member Nominees/Welcome Members		
+	II. Approval of the Agenda		
+	III. Approval of the Minutes		
	a. House Subcommittee - November 29, 2023		
	IV. Public Comment		
+	V. Chairs/Staff Reports		
	a. Revised Staff Report - February 16, 2024, Staff Report		
	b. Staff Report - Informal Advice		
+	VI. Budget		
+	VII. Advisory Opinion		
	a. AO 24-01		
	b. AO 24-02 Confidentiality Waived by Representative Eastman		
	VIII. Executive Session		
	IX. Public Session		
	X. Other Business		
	(Public Segment of the Meeting will be Teleconferenced) Anchorage Only: 907-563-9085		
	Juneau Only: 907-586-9085		
	Outside Anchorage or Juneau: 1-844-586-9085		

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#### OTHER MEETINGS

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS

<b>Apr 03</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
+	Lunch & Learn Presentation: The Presentation will Explore the Shared Commercial Kitchen "Incubator" Model by Kirk Rose, CEO of Anchorage Community Land Trust Sponsored by Senator Dunbar & Representative Mina		