

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

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Sunday**

**May 12, 2024**

**One Hundred Eighteenth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 4:14 p.m.

The roll showed nineteen members present. Senator Hughes was excused from a call of the Senate.

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

In the senate halls where laws are born, Let's pause today, a tribute sworn. For Mother's Day, a sacred time, To honor mothers in every rhyme.

In each senator's heart, a mother's love, Guiding from realms far above. Their sacrifice, a silent plea, Shaping Futures, setting us free.

For mothers hold the world in their embrace, Their presence lingers, forever keen. Their lessons echo in every vote, In every law, they silently denote.

So let us remember, senators and staff, The mothers who paved our path. Whether here or in the great beyond, Their love endures, forever fond.

In this invocation, let us impart, Gratitude for each mother's heart. For in their love, we find our way, Guiding us through each legislative day.

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Senator Merrick led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Certification**

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

### **Messages from the House**

#### **Concur Messages**

##### **SCR 10**

Message dated May 11 was read stating the House passed and returned for consideration CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10(FIN) am Establishing the Joint Legislative Seafood Industry Task Force.

with the following amendment(s):

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10(FSH) am H Establishing the Joint Legislative Task Force Evaluating Alaska's Seafood Industry.

Senator Giessel moved the Senate concur in the House amendment(s).

The question being: "Shall the Senate concur in the House amendment(s)?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HCS CSSCR 10(FSH) am H  
Shall the Senate Concur in the House Amendments  
to CSSCR 10(FIN) am?

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

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

Excused: Hughes

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and so, the Senate concurred in the House amendment(s), thus adopting HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10(FSH) am H Establishing the Joint Legislative Task Force Evaluating Alaska's Seafood Industry.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

The resolution was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

#### **SB 125**

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 125 "An Act relating to subsidiary corporations of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation; and establishing the Alaska energy independence fund" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 125(FIN) "An Act relating to commercial fishing loans; relating to subsidiary corporations of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senators Stedman, Hoffman, Cochairs; Senators Kiehl, Bishop. Signing no recommendation: Senator Olson, Chair; Senators Wilson, Merrick.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 5, zero, Department of Administration

Fiscal Note No. 6, Department of Revenue

Fiscal Note No. 7, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 8, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 9, zero, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

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**HB 19**

The Finance Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 19(FIN) am "An Act relating to the registration of commercial vessels" and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 19(FIN) "An Act relating to the registration of commercial vessels; and relating to the derelict vessel prevention program fund."

(Title Change SCR 23)

Signing do pass: Senator Olson, Cochair. Signing no recommendation: Senators Stedman, Hoffman, Cochairs; Senators Wilson, Kiehl, Merrick, Bishop.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 8, zero, Department of Fish and Game

Fiscal Note No. 9, Department of Administration

Fiscal Note No. 10, zero, Department of Natural Resources

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 4, zero, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

**HB 50**

The Finance Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 50(FIN) "An Act relating to carbon storage on state land; relating to the powers and duties of the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission; relating to carbon storage exploration licenses; relating to carbon storage leases; relating to carbon storage operator permits; relating to enhanced oil or gas recovery; relating to long-term monitoring and maintenance of storage facilities; relating to carbon oxide sequestration tax credits; relating to the duties of the Department of Natural Resources; relating to carbon dioxide pipelines; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 50(FIN) "An Act relating to carbon storage on state land; relating to the powers and duties of the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission; relating to deposits into the permanent fund; establishing the carbon storage closure trust fund and carbon dioxide storage facility administrative fund; relating to geothermal resources; relating to carbon storage exploration licenses; relating to carbon storage leases; relating to carbon storage operator permits; relating to enhanced oil or gas recovery; relating to long-term monitoring and maintenance of storage facilities; relating to carbon oxide sequestration tax credits; relating to the Regulatory Commission of Alaska and regulation of the service of natural gas storage; relating to the regulation of liquefied natural gas import facilities; relating to the oil and gas production tax; relating to the duties of the Department of Natural Resources; relating to carbon dioxide pipelines; relating to reserve-based state loans for oil and gas development projects in the Cook Inlet sedimentary basin; relating to the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority; requiring the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to report to the legislature on oil and gas projects with potential to increase oil and gas production from the Cook Inlet sedimentary basin; relating to an audit of carbon storage leases conducted by the legislative audit division; and providing for an effective date."

(Title Change SCR 17)

Signing do pass: Senators Hoffman, Olson, Cochairs. Signing no recommendation: Senator Stedman, Cochair; Senators Wilson, Kiehl, Merrick, Bishop.

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The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 14, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 15, zero, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Fiscal Note No. 16, indeterminate, Department of Natural Resources

Fiscal Note No. 17, zero, Department of Natural Resources

Fiscal Note No. 18, indeterminate, Department of Revenue

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 9, zero, Department of Environmental Conservation

Fiscal Note No. 13, zero, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

The bill is on today's first supplemental calendar.

**HB 116**

The State Affairs Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 116(STA) "An Act relating to grants and costs funded by the restorative justice account; relating to the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault; and providing for an effective date."

Signing amend: Senator Kawasaki; Chair. Signing no recommendation: Senators Wielechowski, Merrick, Bjorkman.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:

Fiscal Note No. 3, House Finance Committee/Department of Corrections

Fiscal Note No. 4, House Finance Committee/Department of Public Safety

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

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### **HB 120**

The Finance Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 120 "An Act relating to hunting, trapping, and fishing licenses for certain nonresident postsecondary students; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

#### SENATE CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 120(FIN)

Signing do pass: Senator Olson, Cochair; Senators Wilson, Bishop. Signing no recommendation: Senators Stedman, Hoffman, Cochairs; Senator Merrick.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 4, zero, Department of Fish and Game

Fiscal Note No. 5, zero, Department of Fish and Game

Fiscal Note No. 6, zero, Department of Fish and Game

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

### **HB 155**

The Finance Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 155(FIN) am "An Act establishing the Alaska Military Affairs Commission; and relating to the duties and powers of the Alaska Military Affairs Commission" and recommended it be replaced with

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 155(FIN) "An Act establishing the Alaska Military Affairs Commission; relating to the duties and powers of the Alaska Military Affairs Commission; relating to the Joint Armed Services Committee; relating to judge advocates; relating to military facility zones; relating to the appointment of an assistant adjutant general; and providing for an effective date."

(Title Change SCR 24)

Signing do pass: Senator Olson, Cochair; Senators Wilson, Kiehl, Merrick. Signing no recommendation: Senator Stedman, Cochair. Signing amend: Senator Hoffman, Cochair; Senator Bishop.

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The following previously published fiscal information applies:  
Fiscal Note No. 2, Office of the Governor

The bill was referred to the Rules Committee.

**HJR 18**

The State Affairs Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18(STA) Urging the United States Congress to repeal the Windfall Elimination Provision and Government Pension Offset of the Social Security Act.

Signing do pass: Senator Kawasaki, Chair; Senators Bjorkman, Merrick.

The following previously published fiscal information applies:  
Fiscal Note No. 1, zero, House State Affairs Committee

The resolution was referred to the Rules Committee.

**Introduction and Reference of  
Senate Resolutions**

**SCR 23**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23 BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE,

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No. 19, relating to the registration of commercial vessels.

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

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**SCR 24**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24 BY THE  
SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE,

Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e),  
Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature,  
concerning House Bill No. 155, establishing the  
Alaska Military Affairs Commission; and relating to  
the duties and powers of the Alaska Military Affairs  
Commission.

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

**Consideration of the Calendar**

**Citations**

Honoring - Juneau-Douglas High School Yadaa.at Kalé Cheer Team  
Senator(s) Kiehl  
Representative(s) Story, Hannan

In Memoriam - William Henry Sanderson, Jr.  
Senator(s) Kawasaki, Myers  
Representative(s) Prax

In Memoriam - Joann Betty Murphy  
Senator(s) 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 to adopt the first supplemental calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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**Consideration of the First Supplemental Calendar**

**Second Reading of House Bills**

**HB 88**

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 88(L&C) "An Act relating to work quotas for employees at warehouse distribution centers; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Bjorkman, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Labor and Commerce Senate Committee Substitute offered on page 2569. Without objection, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 88(L&C) was adopted.

President Stevens stated SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 88(L&C) will advance to third reading on the May 13 calendar.

**HB 146**

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 146(STA) "An Act relating to fireworks; repealing restrictions on the sale of fireworks; directing the Department of Public Safety to adopt fireworks regulations; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Bjorkman, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Labor and Commerce Senate Committee Substitute offered on page 2570. Without objection, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 146(L&C) "An Act relating to fireworks; directing the Department of Public Safety to adopt fireworks regulations; and providing for an effective date" was adopted.

President Stevens stated SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 146(L&C) will advance to third reading on the May 13 calendar.

**HB 219**

HOUSE BILL NO. 219 "An Act repealing the assistive technology loan guarantee and interest subsidy program; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

President Stevens stated HOUSE BILL NO. 219 will advance to third reading on the May 13 calendar.

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### **HB 295**

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 295(RES) "An Act authorizing the sale of hatchery-produced salmon to certain persons for the purpose of stocking lakes" was read the second time.

Senator Bishop, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Resources Senate Committee Substitute offered on page 2594. Without objection, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 295(RES) "An Act authorizing the sale of hatchery-produced salmonids to certain persons for the purpose of stocking lakes" was adopted.

President Stevens stated SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 295(RES) will advance to third reading on the May 13 calendar.

### **HB 50**

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 50(FIN) "An Act relating to carbon storage on state land; relating to the powers and duties of the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission; relating to carbon storage exploration licenses; relating to carbon storage leases; relating to carbon storage operator permits; relating to enhanced oil or gas recovery; relating to long-term monitoring and maintenance of storage facilities; relating to carbon oxide sequestration tax credits; relating to the duties of the Department of Natural Resources; relating to carbon dioxide pipelines; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

President Stevens stated CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 50(FIN) will advance to third reading on the May 13 calendar.

### **Announcements**

Rule 23(d) of the Alaska State Legislature Uniform Rules is currently in effect.

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

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**Adjournment**

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 11:00 a.m., May 13, 2024. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

Liz Clark  
Secretary of the Senate

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### Announcements

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### STANDING COMMITTEES

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

### EDUCATION

<b>May 13</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		**Streamed live on AKL.tv**	
<b>May 15</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		**Streamed live on AKL.tv**	
<b>May 17</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		

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### FINANCE

<b>May 12</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		-- MEETING CANCELED --	
		-- Please Note Time Change --	
<b>May 12</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>2:00 PM</b>
+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:		-- Recessed to a Call of the Chair --	
+= HB 66		CONTROLLED SUB;HOMICIDE;CRIMES;SENTENCING	
+= HB 50		CARBON STORAGE	
+= SB 217		INTEGRATED TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS	

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## **FINANCE (continued)**

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- +-- HB 122 RAILROAD CORP. FINANCING
- +-- HB 148 AK PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIP; ELIGIBILITY
- +-- HB 111 EDUCATION FOR DEAF & HARD OF HEARING
  - Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set> --
- +-- HB 347 PROPERTY ASSESSMENT
  - Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set> --
- +-- HB 129 VOTER REGISTRATION
- +-- HB 202 OPIOID OVERDOSE DRUGS IN SCHOOLS
  - Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set> --

May 13      Monday      Senate Finance 532      9:00 AM

#### Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:

- + SB 217 INTEGRATED TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS
- + HB 202 OPIOID OVERDOSE DRUGS IN SCHOOLS

-- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set>

## HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

**May 14**      **Tuesday**      **Butrovich 205**      **3:30 PM**

+ Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled

JUDICIARY

May 13      Monday      Butrovich 205      1:30 PM

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

**May 14      Tuesday      Butrovich 205      9:00 AM**

+ -- Please Note Time Change --  
Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
\*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**May 15      Wednesday      Butrovich 205      1:30 PM**

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

May 17 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM

## No Meeting Scheduled

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## RESOURCES

STATE AFFAIRS

**May 14**      **Tuesday**      **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)**      **3:30 PM**  
+      Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
            \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**May 16**      **Thursday**      **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)**      **3:30 PM**  
No Meeting Scheduled

## CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

## CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HB268 AND HB270

**May 13**      **Monday**      **Senate Finance 532**      **8:00 AM**  
+      Conference Committee:  
+= HB 268 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET; CAP; SUPP; AM  
+= HB 270 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET