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Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Edgmon at 10:42 a.m.

Roll call showed 40 members present.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Angel L. Berrios of Fort Greely, Alaska US Army. Representative Story moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

With the deepest respect for the religious beliefs of all Alaskans, I offer the following prayer:

Our God in heaven, thank you for honoring us with your presence at this time here in this House Chamber. Show us that without your guidance and blessings, we will not be able to make good and right decisions for the people of the state of Alaska. Without you, our efforts are futile and worthless. Your word says that you made all things and without you nothing was made that has been made. Therefore, you have all things in control; so indeed, we are convinced that you govern in the affairs of men.

Precious Holy Spirit, make yourself real to us by revealing truth about every issue that will be discussed on the floor today. Truth is powerful. Truth is necessary. And truth will bring true liberty of which our state has so long experienced. I rebuke the deceits of darkness that would attempt to derail us

from the true truth, which is your holy word. I ask these things with confidence, believing that you hear us. Honor our faith, I ask and in Jesus I pray. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Schwanke.

### **CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL**

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 35th and 36th legislative days be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

### **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

#### **HB 271**

The Resources Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 271

"An Act relating to the royalty rate for the Kitchen Lights Unit; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 271(RES)  
(same title)

The report was signed by Representatives Dibert and Frier, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (6): Fields, Coulombe, Saddler, Elam, Dibert, Frier

Do not pass (2): Prax, Mears

No recommendation (1): Hall

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 271(RES):

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Natural Resources

HB 271 was referred to the Finance Committee.

**HB 293**

The Labor & Commerce Committee considered:

HOUSE BILL NO. 293

"An Act relating to the practice of genetic counseling; relating to the licensure of genetic counselors; establishing the Genetic Counseling Advisory Council; relating to the duties of the State Medical Board; relating to telehealth by licensed genetic counselors; relating to medical malpractice liability of licensed genetic counselors; relating to immunity from civil liability for a licensed genetic counselor providing free health care services; and prohibiting unfair discrimination under group health insurance against genetic counselors."

and recommends it be replaced with:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 293(L&C)  
(same title)

The report was signed by Representatives Hall and Fields, Co-chairs, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (3): Frier, Hall, Fields

Do not pass (1): Saddler

No recommendation (3): Coulombe, Carrick, D. Nelson

The following fiscal note(s) apply to CSHB 293(L&C):

1. Fiscal, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

HB 293 was referred to the Health & Social Services Committee.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR**

**RECONSIDERATION**

**HB 289**

Representative Kopp brought up reconsideration of the vote on CSHB 289(FIN)(brf sup maj fld) (page 1699).

The following was before the House in third reading:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 289(FIN)

"An Act making appropriations, including supplemental appropriations, capital appropriations, reappropriations, and other appropriations; amending appropriations; capitalizing funds; making appropriations under art. IX, sec. 17(c), Constitution of the State of Alaska, from the constitutional budget reserve fund; and providing for an effective date."

Representative Johnson moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 289(FIN) be returned to second reading for the specific purpose of considering Amendment No. 9.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall CSHB 289(FIN) be returned to second reading for the specific purpose of considering Amendment No. 9?"  
The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 289(FIN)

Third Reading

Return to Second for Amendment No. 9

Reconsideration

**YEAS: 17 NAYS: 21 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 2**

Yeas: Bynum, Costello, Coulombe, Elam, Johnson, McCabe, Moore, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Prax, Ruffridge, Saddler, St. Clair, Stapp, Tomaszewski, Underwood, Vance

Nays: Carrick, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Mina, Schrage, Story, Stutes

Absent: Allard, Schwanke

And so, the motion failed.

The question to be reconsidered: "Shall CSHB 289(FIN) pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 289(FIN)  
Third Reading  
Final Passage  
Reconsideration

**YEAS: 24 NAYS: 16 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Bynum, Carrick, Costello, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Mina, Schrage, Story, Stutes, Tomaszewski

Nays: Allard, Coulombe, Elam, Johnson, McCabe, Moore, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Prax, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schwanke, St. Clair, Stapp, Underwood, Vance

And so, CSHB 289(FIN) passed the House on reconsideration.

Representative Kopp moved that the appropriations from the constitutional budget reserve fund (Article IX, Section 17(c), Constitution of the State of Alaska) be adopted.

The question being: "Shall the appropriations from the constitutional budget reserve fund be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 289(FIN)  
Third Reading  
Constitutional Budget Reserve Appropriations  
Reconsideration

**YEAS: 24 NAYS: 16 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Bynum, Carrick, Costello, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Mina, Schrage, Story, Stutes, Tomaszewski

Nays: Allard, Coulombe, Elam, Johnson, McCabe, Moore, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Prax, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schwanke, St. Clair, Stapp, Underwood, Vance

And so, lacking the required 30 votes, the appropriations from the constitutional budget reserve fund were not adopted, and the new title follows:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 289(FIN)(brf sup maj fld)

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

Representative Kopp moved the effective date clause.

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

CSHB 289(FIN)(brf sup maj fld)

Third Reading

Effective Date

Reconsideration

**YEAS: 30 NAYS: 10 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Bynum, Carrick, Costello, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Johnson, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Mina, Moore, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Saddler, Schrage, Stapp, Story, Stutes, Tomaszewski

Nays: Allard, Coulombe, Elam, McCabe, Prax, Ruffridge, Schwanke, St. Clair, Underwood, Vance

And so, the effective date clause was adopted.

CSHB 289(FIN)(brf sup maj fld) was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

## SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

### HB 47

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the following would be moved to the bottom of the calendar:

HOUSE BILL NO. 47

"An Act relating to crime and criminal procedure; relating to

generated obscene child sexual abuse material; relating to the powers of district judges and magistrates; relating to teaching certificates; and relating to licensing of school bus drivers."

**HB 184**

The following, which was held from the February 23 calendar (page 1696), was read the second time:

## HOUSE BILL NO. 184

"An Act relating to the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority; and relating to workforce housing development projects."

with the:	Journal Page
CRA RPT CS(CRA) NEW TITLE 3DP 1NR 1AM	1218
FN1: ZERO(CED)	1218
L&C RPT CS(CRA) NEW TITLE 4DP 3NR	1280
FN1: ZERO(CED)	1280

The Rules Committee submitted the following fiscal note(s):

2. Zero, Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that the following committee substitute be adopted in lieu of the original bill:

## CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 184(CRA)

"An Act relating to financing by the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority for workforce housing development projects."

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 1 was offered by Representative McCabe:

Page 1, following line 3:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"\* **Section 1.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND INTENT. The legislature finds that the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority already has the power to finance workforce housing under AS 44.88. It is the intent of the legislature that this Act not be construed as expanding the authority's powers."

Page 1, line 4:

Delete "**Section 1**"

Insert "**Sec. 2**"

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Representative McCabe moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 be adopted.

Representative Story objected.

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

CSHB 184(CRA)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 1

**YEAS: 19 NAYS: 21 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Allard, Bynum, Costello, Coulombe, Elam, Johnson, McCabe, Moore, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Prax, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schwanke, St. Clair, Stapp, Tomaszewski, Underwood, Vance

Nays: Carrick, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Mina, Schrage, Story, Stutes

And so, Amendment No. 1 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 2 was offered by Representative McCabe:

Page 1, following line 3:

Insert a new bill section to read:

**\*\* Section 1.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the legislature that, consistent with AS 44.88, this Act not be construed as authorizing the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to pledge the faith or credit of the state or of a political subdivision of the state other than the authority, to finance or facilitate financing for projects authorized under this Act, including a moral obligation pledge, a capital reserve fund backed by legislative appropriation, or any other structure that creates direct or indirect state financial liability."

Page 1, line 4:

Delete "**Section 1**"

Insert "**Sec. 2**"

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Representative McCabe moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 2 be adopted.

Representative Story objected.

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

CSHB 184(CRA)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 2

**YEAS: 19 NAYS: 21 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Allard, Bynum, Costello, Coulombe, Elam, Johnson, McCabe, Moore, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Prax, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schwanke, St. Clair, Stapp, Tomaszewski, Underwood, Vance

Nays: Carrick, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Mina, Schrage, Story, Stutes

And so, Amendment No. 2 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 3 was offered by Representative McCabe:

Page 5, following line 22:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"\* **Sec. 3.** AS 44.88.085 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(i) Before financing or facilitating the financing of construction of new workforce housing facilities under AS 44.88.080(33), the authority shall publish on the authority's Internet website a written legal opinion and a brief public report explaining why the authority's other powers under this chapter do not allow the authority to finance or facilitate the financing of the facilities under those other powers."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Representative McCabe moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 3 be adopted.

Representative Story objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 3 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 184(CRA)  
Second Reading  
Amendment No. 3

**YEAS: 19 NAYS: 21 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Allard, Bynum, Costello, Coulombe, Elam, Johnson, McCabe, Moore, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Prax, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schwanke, St. Clair, Stapp, Tomaszewski, Underwood, Vance

Nays: Carrick, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Mina, Schrage, Story, Stutes

And so, Amendment No. 3 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 4 was offered by Representative McCabe:

Page 1, line 2, following "**projects**" (title amendment):  
Insert "**;** and providing for an effective date"

Page 5, following line 25:  
Insert a new bill section to read:

**\* Sec. 4.** AS 44.88.900(6), as amended by sec. 3 of this Act, is amended to read:

(6) "development project" has the meaning given to "project" in (14)(A) **and** [,] (D) - (H) [, AND (J)] of this section;"

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 6, following line 27:

Insert new bill sections to read:

**\* Sec. 6.** AS 44.88.070(7), 44.88.080(33), and 44.88.900(14)(J) are repealed July 1, 2029.

**\* Sec. 7.** Section 4 of this Act takes effect July 1, 2029."

Representative McCabe moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 4 be adopted.

Representative Story objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 4 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 184(CRA)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 4

**YEAS: 19 NAYS: 21 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Allard, Bynum, Costello, Coulombe, Elam, Johnson, McCabe, Moore, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Prax, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schwanke, St. Clair, Stapp, Tomaszewski, Underwood, Vance

Nays: Carrick, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Mina, Schrage, Story, Stutes

And so, Amendment No. 4 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 5 was offered by Representative McCabe:

Page 6, following line 27:

Insert a new bill section to read:

**\* Sec. 5.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

CONDITIONAL EFFECT. This Act takes effect only if HB 124 is not passed by the Thirty-Fourth Alaska State Legislature."

Representative McCabe moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 5 be adopted.

Representative Story objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 5 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 184(CRA)  
Second Reading  
Amendment No. 5

**YEAS: 20 NAYS: 20 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Allard, Bynum, Costello, Coulombe, Elam, Johnson, Kopp, McCabe, Moore, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Prax, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schwanke, St. Clair, Stapp, Tomaszewski, Underwood, Vance

Nays: Carrick, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Mears, Mina, Schrage, Story, Stutes

And so, Amendment No. 5 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 6 was offered by Representative McCabe:

Page 1, line 2, following "**projects**" (title amendment):

Insert "**relating to loans from the power project fund; and relating to legislative approval for the exercise of certain powers of the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority;**"

Page 1, following line 3:

Insert a new bill section to read:

**\*\* Section 1.** AS 42.45.010(*l*) is amended to read:

(*l*) The authority may sell loans of the power project fund [WITH LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL]. The authority may use money in the power project fund to repurchase loans sold under this subsection that default. Money received by the authority from the sale of loans under this subsection shall be deposited into the power project fund under (a) of this section."

Page 1, line 4:

Delete "**Section 1**"

Insert "**Sec. 2**"

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 2, line 23, following the first occurrence of "to":

Insert "**, without legislative approval,**"

Page 3, line 2, following "sell,":

Insert "**without legislative approval,**"

Page 3, line 10, following "funds,":

Insert "**without legislative approval,**"

Page 5, line 11:

Delete "with legislative approval and"

Insert "[WITH LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL AND]"

Representative McCabe moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 6 be adopted.

Representative Story objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 6 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 184(CRA)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 6

**YEAS: 19 NAYS: 21 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Allard, Bynum, Costello, Coulombe, Elam, Johnson, McCabe, Moore, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Prax, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schwanke, St. Clair, Stapp, Tomaszewski, Underwood, Vance

Nays: Carrick, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Mina, Schrage, Story, Stutes

And so, Amendment No. 6 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 7 was offered by Representative McCabe:

Page 1, line 2, following "**projects**" (title amendment):

Insert "**; and relating to the power of the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority to adopt regulations**"

Page 2, line 22, following "powers":

Insert "**including regulations establishing public comment procedures**"

Representative McCabe moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 7 be adopted.

Representative Story objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 7 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 184(CRA)

Second Reading

Amendment No. 7

**YEAS: 19 NAYS: 21 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Allard, Bynum, Costello, Coulombe, Elam, Johnson, McCabe, Moore, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Prax, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schwanke, St. Clair, Stapp, Tomaszewski, Underwood, Vance

Nays: Carrick, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Mina, Schrage, Story, Stutes

And so, Amendment No. 7 was not adopted.

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 184(CRA) be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage.

There was objection.

CSHB 184(CRA) will advance to third reading on the February 27 calendar.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would recess to a call of the chair; and so, the House recessed at 1:04 p.m.

### **AFTER RECESS**

The Speaker called the House back to order at 2:04 p.m.

### **THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS**

#### **HB 48**

The following, which was advanced to third reading from the February 23 calendar (page 1696), was read the third time:

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 48

"An Act relating to appropriations to the civil legal services fund."

The question being: "Shall HB 48 pass the House?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 48

Third Reading

Final Passage

**YEAS: 27 NAYS: 13 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Bynum, Carrick, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Mina, Moore, Saddler, Schrage, Story, Stutes, Tomaszewski, Underwood, Vance

Nays: Allard, Costello, Coulombe, Elam, Johnson, McCabe, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Prax, Ruffridge, Schwanke, St. Clair, Stapp

Underwood changed from "NAY" to "YEA"

And so, HB 48 passed the House and was referred to the Chief Clerk for engrossment.

### **SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS**

#### **HB 47**

The following, which was moved to the bottom of the calendar (page 1712), was read the second time:

## HOUSE BILL NO. 47

"An Act relating to crime and criminal procedure; relating to generated obscene child sexual abuse material; relating to the powers of district judges and magistrates; relating to teaching certificates; and relating to licensing of school bus drivers."

with the:	Journal Page
CRA RPT CS(CRA) NEW TITLE 3DP 3NR	954
FN1: ZERO(ADM)	954
FN2: ZERO(ADM)	954
FN3: ZERO(EED)	954
FN4: ZERO(LAW)	954
FN5: ZERO(DPS)	954
FN6: ZERO(AJS)	954
JUD RPT CS(JUD) NEW TITLE 7DP	1541
FN7: ZERO(DPS)	1541
FN8: ZERO(LAW)	1541
FN9: ZERO(DFC)	1541
FN10: ZERO(EED)	1541
FN11: ZERO(ADM)	1541
FN12: ZERO(AJS)	1541
FN13: ZERO(ADM)	1541

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that the following committee substitute be adopted in lieu of the original bill:

## CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 47(JUD)

"An Act relating to crime and criminal procedure; relating to generated obscene child sexual abuse material; relating to teaching certificates; and relating to licensing of school bus drivers."

There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment Nos. 1 and 2 were not offered.

Amendment No. 3 was offered by Representative Fields:

Page 1, line 1, following "**procedure**;" (title amendment):

Insert "**relating to distribution of a generated sexual**

depiction;"

Page 1, following line 4:

Insert new bill sections to read:

\*\* **Section 1.** AS 11.61 is amended by adding a new section to read:

**Sec. 11.61.117. Distribution of a generated sexual depiction.** (a) A person commits the crime of distribution of a generated sexual depiction if the person knowingly distributes or threatens to distribute an electronic or printed photograph, picture, or film that depicts, by manipulation, creation, or modification, the genitals, anus, or female breast of another person or shows another person engaged in a sexual act with reckless disregard that the distribution may result in physical, emotional, reputational, or economic harm to the other person.

(b) In an action under (a) of this section, it is not a defense that the electronic or printed photograph, picture, or film contains a disclaimer stating that the depiction was unauthorized or that the depicted person did not participate in the creation or development of the electronic or printed photograph, picture, or film.

(c) In this section, "distribution" has the meaning given in AS 11.61.121(c).

(d) Distribution of a generated sexual depiction is a class A misdemeanor.

\* **Sec. 2.** AS 11.61.118(a) is amended to read:

(a) A person commits the crime of harassment in the first degree if

**(1)** [,] under circumstances not proscribed under AS 11.41.410 - 11.41.427 or 11.41.434 - 11.41.440, the person violates AS 11.61.120(a)(5) and the offensive physical contact is contact

**(A)** [(1)] with human or animal blood, mucus, saliva, semen, urine, vomitus, or feces; or

**(B)** [(2)] by the person touching through clothing another person's genitals, buttocks, or female breast; **or**

**(2) under circumstances not proscribed under AS 11.61.117, the person violates AS 11.61.120(a)(6) and the published or distributed electronic or printed photograph, picture, or film depicts, by manipulation, creation, or modification, the other person engaged in a sexual act.**"

Page 1, line 5:

Delete "**Section 1**"

Insert "**Sec. 3**"

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 2, line 3, following "(6)":

Insert "**under circumstances not proscribed under AS 11.61.117, and**"

Page 2, line 10:

Delete "**AS 11.61.121**"

Insert "**AS 11.61.117, 11.61.121**"

Page 13, following line 20:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"\* **Sec. 18.** AS 12.63.100(7) is amended to read:

(7) "sex offense" means

(A) a crime under AS 11.41.100(a)(3), or a similar law of another jurisdiction, in which the person committed or attempted to commit a sexual offense, or a similar offense under the laws of the other jurisdiction; in this subparagraph, "sexual offense" has the meaning given in AS 11.41.100(a)(3);

(B) a crime under AS 11.41.110(a)(3), or a similar law of another jurisdiction, in which the person committed or attempted to commit one of the following crimes, or a similar law of another jurisdiction:

(i) sexual assault in the first degree;

(ii) sexual assault in the second degree;

(iii) sexual abuse of a minor in the first degree;

or

(iv) sexual abuse of a minor in the second degree;

(C) a crime, or an attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy to commit a crime, under the following statutes or a similar law of another jurisdiction:

(i) AS 11.41.410 - 11.41.438;

(ii) AS 11.41.440(a)(2);

(iii) AS 11.41.450 - 11.41.458;

(iv) AS 11.41.460 or AS 26.05.900(c) if the indecent exposure is before a person under 16 years of age and the offender has previously been convicted under AS 11.41.460 or AS 26.05.900(c);

(v) AS 11.61.125 - 11.61.128;

(vi) AS 11.66.130(a)(2)(B) or AS 26.05.900(b) if the person who was induced or caused to engage in prostitution was under 20 years of age at the time of the offense;

(vii) former AS 11.15.120, former 11.15.134, or assault with the intent to commit rape under former AS 11.15.160, former AS 11.40.110, or former 11.40.200;

(viii) **AS 11.61.118(a)(1)(B) or former** AS 11.61.118(a)(2) if the offender has a previous conviction for that offense;

(ix) AS 11.66.100(a)(2) if the offender is subject to punishment under former AS 11.66.100(e);

(x) AS 26.05.890 if the person engaged in sexual penetration or sexual contact with the victim;

(xi) AS 26.05.890 if, at the time of the offense, the victim is under a duty to obey the lawful orders of the offender, regardless of whether the offender is in the direct chain of command over the victim;

(xii) AS 26.05.893 if the person engaged in sexual penetration or sexual contact with the victim;

(xiii) AS 26.05.900(a) if the victim is under 18 years of age at the time of the offense;

(xiv) AS 26.05.900 if, at the time of the offense, the victim is under a duty to obey the lawful orders of the offender, regardless of whether the offender is in the direct chain of command over the victim;

(xv) AS 11.61.123 if the offender is subject to punishment under AS 11.61.123(g)(1) or (2);

(xvi) AS 11.66.137;

(xvii) AS 11.61.130(a)(2); or

(xviii) AS 11.66.110 and 11.66.120;

(D) an offense, or an attempt, solicitation, or conspiracy to commit an offense, under AS 26.05.935(b), or a similar law of another jurisdiction, if the member of the

militia commits one of the following enumerated offenses punishable under Article 134, 10 U.S.C. 934 (Uniform Code of Military Justice):

- (i) child sexual abuse material; or
- (ii) pandering and prostitution if the person who is induced, enticed, caused, or procured to engage in a sexual act is under 20 years of age at the time of the offense; or
- (E) an offense in which the person is required to register as a sex offender under the laws of another jurisdiction;"

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 16, following line 29:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"\* **Sec. 24.** AS 47.17.020(e) is amended to read:

- (e) The department shall immediately notify the nearest law enforcement agency if the department
  - (1) concludes that the harm was caused by a person who is not responsible for the child's welfare;
  - (2) is unable to determine
    - (A) who caused the harm to the child; or
    - (B) whether the person who is believed to have caused the harm has responsibility for the child's welfare; or
  - (3) concludes that the report involves
    - (A) possible criminal sex abuse or sex offenses under AS 11.41.410 - 11.41.458, AS 11.61.116, **11.61.118(a)(1)(B)** [11.61.118(a)(2)], 11.61.120(a)(6), 11.61.123, or 11.61.128, including sex offenses committed by a minor against a minor; or
    - (B) abuse or neglect that results in the need for medical treatment of the child."

Renumber the following bill section accordingly.

Page 17, following line 2:

Insert new paragraphs to read:

- "(1) AS 11.61.117, enacted by sec. 1 of this Act;
- (2) AS 11.61.118(a), as amended by sec. 2 of this Act;"

Renumber the following paragraphs accordingly.

Page 17, following line 15:

Insert a new paragraph to read:

"(6) AS 12.63.100(7), as amended by sec. 18 of this Act;"

Renumber the following paragraph accordingly.

Page 17, line 3:

Delete "sec. 1"

Insert "sec. 3"

Page 17, line 4:

Delete "sec. 3"

Insert "sec. 5"

Page 17, line 5:

Delete "sec. 4"

Insert "sec. 6"

Page 17, line 6:

Delete "sec. 5"

Insert "sec. 7"

Page 17, line 7:

Delete "sec. 6"

Insert "sec. 8"

Page 17, line 8:

Delete "sec. 7"

Insert "sec. 9"

Page 17, line 11:

Delete "sec. 9"

Insert "sec. 11"

Page 17, line 12:

Delete "sec. 10"

Insert "sec. 12"

Page 17, line 13:

Delete "sec. 12"

Insert "sec. 14"

Page 17, line 14:

Delete "sec. 14"

Insert "sec. 16"

Page 17, line 15:

Delete "sec. 15"

Insert "sec. 17"

Page 17, line 16:

Delete "sec. 16"

Insert "sec. 19"

Representative Fields moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 3 be adopted.

Representative Vance objected and withdrew the objection. There being no further objection, Amendment No. 3 was adopted and the new title follows:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 47(JUD) am

"An Act relating to crime and criminal procedure; relating to distribution of a generated sexual depiction; relating to generated obscene child sexual abuse material; relating to teaching certificates; and relating to licensing of school bus drivers."

Amendment No. 4 was offered by Representative Fields:

Page 1, line 1, following "Act" (title amendment):

Insert "**relating to distribution of a forged digital likeness;**"

Page 1, following line 4:

Insert a new bill section to read:

**\*\* Section 1.** AS 11.46 is amended by adding a new section to read:

**Sec. 11.46.575. Distribution of a forged digital likeness.** (a)

A person commits the crime of distribution of a forged digital likeness if the person

(1) knowingly distributes a forged digital likeness of a person with the intent to defraud, harass, threaten, or intimidate another person; and

(2) knows or reasonably should know the forged digital likeness is not authentic.

(b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the distribution of a visual representation or audio recording for a matter of cultural, historical, political, religious, educational, newsworthy, or public interest, including for use in a work of art, commentary, satire, or parody.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to impose liability on an interactive computer service, mobile telecommunications service provider, or telecommunications network or broadband provider as a result of content provided by another person.

(d) In this section,

(1) "forged digital likeness" means a visual representation of an actual and identifiable individual or an audio recording of an actual and identifiable individual's voice that has been digitally created, adapted, altered, or made indistinguishable from an authentic visual representation or recording of the individual, that misrepresents the appearance, speech, or conduct of the individual, and that is likely to deceive a reasonable person into believing the visual representation or audio recording is authentic;

(2) "interactive computer service" has the meaning given in AS 11.61.127(b);

(3) "visual representation" means any pictorial or motion picture representation, regardless of the media format that is used.

(e) Distribution of a forged digital likeness is a class A misdemeanor."

Page 1, line 5:

Delete "**Section 1**"

Insert "**Sec. 2**"

ReNUMBER the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 17, following line 2:

Insert a new paragraph to read:

"(1) AS 11.46.575, enacted by sec. 1 of this Act;"

Renumber the following paragraphs accordingly.

Page 17, line 3:

Delete "sec. 1"

Insert "sec. 2"

Page 17, line 4:

Delete "sec. 3"

Insert "sec. 4"

Page 17, line 5:

Delete "sec. 4"

Insert "sec. 5"

Page 17, line 6:

Delete "sec. 5"

Insert "sec. 6"

Page 17, line 7:

Delete "sec. 6"

Insert "sec. 7"

Page 17, line 8:

Delete "sec. 7"

Insert "sec. 8"

Page 17, line 11:

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Page 17, line 12:

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Page 17, line 13:

Delete "sec. 12"

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Page 17, line 14:

Delete "sec. 14"

Insert "sec. 15"

Page 17, line 15:

Delete "sec. 15"

Insert "sec. 16"

Page 17, line 16:

Delete "sec. 16"

Insert "sec. 17"

Representative Fields moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 4 be adopted.

Representative Vance objected and withdrew the objection. There being no further objection, Amendment No. 4 was adopted and the new title follows:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 47(JUD) am

"An Act relating to distribution of a forged digital likeness; relating to crime and criminal procedure; relating to distribution of a generated sexual depiction; relating to generated obscene child sexual abuse material; relating to teaching certificates; and relating to licensing of school bus drivers."

Amendment No. 5 was offered by Representative Fields:

Page 1, line 2 (title amendment):

Delete "**and**"

Page 1, line 3, following "**drivers**":

Insert "**; relating to social media and minors; and providing for an effective date**"

Page 15, following line 9:

Insert new bill sections to read:

**\*\* Sec. 19.** AS 45.50 is amended by adding new sections to read:

**Article 5A. Social Media Platforms and Minors.**

**Sec. 45.50.650. User age verification and parental consent.**

(a) A social media platform may not allow a minor who is a resident of the state to create or maintain an account on the platform without first obtaining written consent for the minor to create and maintain the account from the minor's parent or another

person who has legal custody of the minor. When obtaining written consent for a minor to create or maintain an account, the social media platform shall verify the identity of the person consenting and the relationship of the consenting person to the minor.

(b) A social media platform shall verify the age of each user of the platform in the state.

(c) A social media platform shall provide a mechanism for a consenting parent to

(1) revoke consent for a minor user to create and maintain an account at any time; and

(2) delete the minor user's account and all associated data.

**Sec. 45.50.660. Parental access to minor user's account.** (a)

A social media platform shall provide a consenting parent with full access to the minor user's account, including all of the minor user's posts, messages, comments, likes, shares, and other interactions on the platform.

(b) A social media platform may not restrict, limit, or interfere with a consenting parent's ability to monitor, modify, or delete any content or activity on the minor user's account.

(c) A social media platform shall notify a minor user when the minor's consenting parent accesses the minor user's account or makes any changes to the account settings or preferences.

**Sec. 45.50.670. Advertising to minor users prohibited.** A social media platform may not display, send, or target an advertisement to a minor user or use data collected from a minor user for an advertising purpose.

**Sec. 45.50.680. Content targeting minor users prohibited.** A social media platform may not use an algorithm, artificial intelligence, machine learning, or other technology to select, recommend, rank, or personalize content for a minor user based on the minor user's profile, preferences, behavior, location, or other data.

**Sec. 45.50.690. Addictive features for minor users prohibited.** A social media platform may not employ a feature, design, or mechanism that encourages or rewards a minor user's excessive or compulsive use of the platform or that exploits the psychological vulnerabilities of a minor user.

**Sec. 45.50.700. Curfew for minor users.** A social media

platform may not allow a minor user to access or use the platform between 10:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. in the time zone where the user is accessing or using the platform unless the consenting parent modifies these hours in the account settings.

**Sec. 45.50.710. Enforcement and penalties.** (a) If a social media platform violates AS 45.50.650 - 45.50.740, the attorney general may bring an action in superior court to seek injunctive relief, civil penalties, or other appropriate remedies.

(b) A social media platform that violates AS 45.50.650 - 45.50.740 is subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$10,000 for each violation.

**Sec. 45.50.720. Private right of action.** If a social media platform violates AS 45.50.650 - 45.50.740, a parent or other person with legal custody of a minor user who is harmed by the violation may bring an action against the platform in superior court to seek actual damages, punitive damages, attorney fees, and costs.

**Sec. 45.50.730. Definitions.** In AS 45.50.650 - 45.50.740,

(1) "consenting parent" means a parent or other person who has legal custody of a minor who has consented to the minor's use of a social media platform;

(2) "minor" means a person under 18 years of age;

(3) "minor user" means a resident of the state under 18 years of age who accesses or uses a social media platform;

(4) "social media platform" means an online service, application, or Internet website that allows users to create, share, or view user-generated content, including text, images, videos, or audio;

(5) "user" means a person who accesses or uses a social media platform.

**Sec. 45.50.740. Short title.** AS 45.50.650 - 45.50.740 may be known as the Alaska Social Media Regulation Act."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 16, following line 29:

Insert a new bill section to read:

**\*\* Sec. 22.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE. The attorney general shall

prepare a report to the legislature on the regulations adopted to implement sec. 19 of this Act. The report must include the text of the adopted regulations. The attorney general shall submit the report to the senate secretary and the chief clerk of the house of representatives on or before January 1, 2028, and notify the legislature that the report is available."

Renumber the following bill section accordingly.

Page 17, following line 16:

Insert new material to read:

"(c) Section 19 of this Act applies to a contract entered into on or after the effective date of sec. 19 of this Act.

\* **Sec. 24.** Sections 19, 22, and 23(c) of this Act take effect January 1, 2027."

Representative Fields moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 5 be adopted.

Representative Vance objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 5 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 47(JUD) am  
Second Reading  
Amendment No. 5

**YEAS: 28 NAYS: 12 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Allard, Costello, Coulombe, Dibert, Edgmon, Elam, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Johnson, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Moore, G.Nelson, Prax, Ruffridge, Schrage, Stapp, Story, Stutes, Tomaszewski, Underwood

Nays: Bynum, Carrick, Eischeid, Hall, Hannan, McCabe, Mina, D.Nelson, Saddler, Schwanke, St. Clair, Vance

And so, Amendment No. 5 was adopted and the new title follows:

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a generated sexual depiction; relating to generated obscene child sexual abuse material; relating to teaching certificates; relating to licensing of school bus drivers; relating to social media and minors; and providing for an effective date."

Amendment No. 6 was offered by Representative Schrage:

Page 1, line 2 (title amendment):

Delete "**and**"

Page 1, line 3, following "**drivers**":

Insert "**; and relating to civil penalties for an organization that facilitates the generation of child sexual abuse material**"

Page 15, following line 9:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"\* **Sec. 19.** AS 45.50 is amended by adding a new section to article 5 to read:

**Article 5A. Civil Penalties for Generated Child Sexual Abuse Material.**

**Sec. 45.50.620.** (a) An organization may be sentenced to pay a fine in an amount of \$1,000,000 for each instance in which a user of the organization's artificial intelligence system created generated child sexual abuse material as described under AS 11.61.122(a).

(b) In this section, "artificial intelligence" means a machine-based system that, for explicit or implicit objectives, infers, from the input the system receives, how to generate outputs, including predictions, content, recommendations, and decisions that can influence physical or virtual environments, with different artificial intelligence systems varying in levels of autonomy and adaptiveness after deployment."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Representative Schrage moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 6 be adopted.

Representative Saddler objected and withdrew the objection.

There being no further objection, Amendment No. 6 was adopted and the new title follows:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 47(JUD) am

"An Act relating to distribution of a forged digital likeness; relating to crime and criminal procedure; relating to distribution of a generated sexual depiction; relating to generated obscene child sexual abuse material; relating to teaching certificates; relating to licensing of school bus drivers; relating to civil penalties for an organization that facilitates the generation of child sexual abuse material; relating to social media and minors; and providing for an effective date."

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that CSHB 47(JUD) am be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading, and placed on final passage.

There was objection.

CSHB 47(JUD) am will advance to third reading on the February 27 calendar.

### LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that the House approve the citations on the calendar. There being no objection, the following citations were approved and sent to enrolling:

Honoring - Jeff Regnart

By Representative Stutes; Senator Stevens

Honoring - Nathan Howard

By Representatives Frier, Carrick, Hannan

Honoring - Judge Pamela S. Washington

By Senators Giessel, Claman, Gray-Jackson

Honoring - Peter Kaiser

By Senator Hoffman; Representative Jimmie

Honoring - Pete McCall  
By Senator Gray-Jackson

Honoring - The Alaska State Fair, 90th Anniversary  
By Senator Tilton; Representative Johnson

In Memoriam - Donald Leroy Edwards  
By Representative Allard

In Memoriam - Laurence "Larry" N. Graham  
By Senator Wielechowski; Representative Mears

In Memoriam - George Heywood  
By Senator Giessel

In Memoriam - Dr. John Michael James  
By Senator Giessel; Representative Costello

In Memoriam - Margaret "Peggy" Theresa Bjorgan  
By Senator Tilton; Representative Gray

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that the following member be excused from a call of the House. There being no objection, the member was excused as noted:

Representative Foster – from 9:30 p.m., February 25 to 10:30 a.m., March 2

#### **HCR 9**

Representative Eischeid added as a cosponsor to:

#### **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9**

Honoring the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence and celebrating the 250th birthday of the United States of America.

#### **HJR 22**

Representative Vance added as a cosponsor to:

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 22**

Requesting the United States Congress to propose an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States House of Representatives and as a member of the United States Senate; and requesting the United States Congress to call for a constitutional convention of the states to propose a single amendment to the Constitution of the United States to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States House of Representatives and as a member of the United States Senate.

**HJR 35**

Representative Foster added as a cosponsor to:

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 35**

Urging federal fisheries managers to reduce trawl bycatch, maintain existing bycatch limits, and strengthen enforcement; and supporting federal efforts aimed at reducing bycatch and benthic habitat contact.

**HB 47**

Representatives Johnson, Coulombe, Tomaszewski, and Carrick added as cosponsors to:

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**HB 48**

Representatives Frier and Mina added as cosponsors to:

**HOUSE BILL NO. 48**

"An Act relating to appropriations to the civil legal services fund."

**HB 184**

Representatives Galvin and Gray added as cosponsors to:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 184(CRA)

"An Act relating to financing by the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority for workforce housing development projects."

**HB 256**

Representative Gray added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 256

"An Act relating to public school students connected to the military; relating to school funding for purple star designations; and providing for an effective date."

**HB 278**

Representative Vance added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 278

"An Act establishing the Alaska-Ireland Trade Commission; and providing for an effective date."

**HB 291**

Representative Bynum added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 291

"An Act relating to municipal exemptions from fees for landfills or dumping areas; and relating to optional municipal property tax exemptions."

**HB 293**

The Speaker removed the Health & Social Services Committee referral and added a Finance Committee referral for the following:

HOUSE BILL NO. 293

"An Act relating to the practice of genetic counseling; relating to the licensure of genetic counselors; establishing the Genetic Counseling Advisory Council; relating to the duties of the State Medical Board; relating to telehealth by licensed genetic

counselors; relating to medical malpractice liability of licensed genetic counselors; relating to immunity from civil liability for a licensed genetic counselor providing free health care services; and prohibiting unfair discrimination under group health insurance against genetic counselors."

HB 293 was removed from the Health & Social Services Committee and referred to the Finance Committee.

### **HB 326**

Representative St. Clair added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 326

"An Act relating to abortion-inducing drugs."

### **ENGROSSMENT**

#### **HB 48**

HB 48 was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

#### **HB 289**

CSHB 289(FIN)(brf sup maj fld) was engrossed, signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk, and transmitted to the Senate for consideration.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

The following meetings today were changed:

Judiciary Committee

CHANGED TO

15 min. after adjournment

Labor & Commerce Committee

CANCELED

Resources Committee

CANCELED

**ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., February 27. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Crystalline Jones  
Chief Clerk