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Eightieth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the House was called to order by Speaker Edgmon at 10:49 a.m.

Roll call showed 39 members present. Representative Fields was absent, and his presence was noted later.

The invocation was offered by the Chaplain, Maranathà Henderson, Senate Page. Representative Story moved and asked unanimous consent that the invocation be spread on the journal. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Lord, thank you for bringing us together today. As we mark day eighty in this legislature, help us stay focused and do our work well. Give us patience, good judgement, and respect for one another.

We're also ready for more sunshine - both in the weather and in our hearts as we get through the busy agendas for the day. Help us bring a positive spirit into this place and work together in a way that's honest and fair.

In your name I pray, Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Foster.

CERTIFICATION OF THE JOURNAL

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that the journal for the 79th legislative day and House Journal Supplement

No. 14 be approved as certified by the Chief Clerk. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

A message dated April 8 was read stating the Senate passed the following, and it is transmitted for consideration:

**FIRST READING AND REFERENCE
OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS**

SJR 30

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 30(STA) by the Senate State Affairs Committee:

Expressing gratitude for the United States military and supporting increased defense readiness through infrastructure development and public-military partnerships.

was read the first time and referred to the House Special Committee on Military & Veterans' Affairs and the State Affairs Committee.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HJR 37

The House Special Committee on Tribal Affairs considered:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 37

Supporting federal, state, and local efforts to clean up and remove marine debris from the state; urging the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency to provide additional funding for those efforts and to remove barriers faced by tribes and rural communities in accessing those funds; and urging the Alaska Congressional delegation to advocate for increased federal funding and support for marine debris prevention, clean up, removal, backhaul, and education.

The report was signed by Representative Dibert, Chair, with the following individual recommendations:

Do pass (1): Schwanke

Amend (3): Frier, Story, Dibert

The following fiscal note(s) apply:

1. Zero, House Special Committee on Tribal Affairs/Office of the Governor

HJR 37 was referred to the Resources Committee.

INTRODUCTION OF CITATIONS

The following citations were introduced and referred to the Rules Committee for placement on the calendar:

Honoring - Alaska Aerospace Corporation, 35th Anniversary
By Representatives Galvin, Stutes, D. Nelson

Honoring - Stacey Fuccillo
By Senator Merrick

Honoring - Blake Fazio
By Senator Merrick; Representative Saddler

Honoring - Eagle River High School Girls Swim Team, 2025 Swim & Dive State Champions
By Senator Merrick

In Memoriam - Thomas Earl Robinson
By Representative Galvin; Senator Gray-Jackson

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING, AND REFERENCE OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 385

HOUSE BILL NO. 385 by the House Labor and Commerce Committee, entitled:

"An Act relating to a simplified rate filing procedure for public utilities."

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

**The presence of Representative Fields was noted.

CONSIDERATION OF THE DAILY CALENDAR

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 265

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the following, which was held from the April 8 calendar (page 2073), would be moved to the bottom of the calendar:

HOUSE BILL NO. 265

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

HOUSE BILLS IN SECOND READING

HB 263

The following, which was held in second reading from the April 8 calendar (page 2073), was before the House:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 263(FIN) am

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; making supplemental appropriations; 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."

Amendment No. 29 was offered by Representative Elam:

Amendment No. 29 was published in House Journal Supplement No. 15.

Representative Elam moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 29 be adopted.

Representative Galvin objected.

Representative Saddler, citing Section 101 of Mason's Manual, rose to a point of order regarding confining remarks to the motion before the body.

The Speaker ruled the point out of order and directed the member to continue.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 29 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 29

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. 29 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 30 was not offered.

Amendment No. 31 was offered by Representative Bynum:

Page 66, line 27:

Delete "\$158,599,800"

Insert "\$147,675,882"

Page 67, following line 4:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(g) The sum of \$10,923,918 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education and Early Development for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, to be distributed as grants to school districts that are proportional to the amount each school district

receives from the state to operate the student transportation system under AS 14.09.010."

Representative Bynum moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 31 be adopted.

Representative Jimmie objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 31 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 31

YEAS: 33 NAYS: 7 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Allard, Bynum, Carrick, Costello, Coulombe, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Elam, Fields, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Himschoot, Johnson, Kopp, McCabe, Mears, Mina, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Prax, Saddler, Schrage, Schwanke, St. Clair, Stapp, Story, Stutes, Tomaszewski, Underwood, Vance

Nays: Foster, Hannan, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Moore, Ruffridge

And so, Amendment No. 31 was adopted.

Amendment No. 32 was offered by Representatives Vance, McCabe, Elam, St. Clair, D. Nelson, Costello, Johnson, Allard, Moore, Coulombe, G. Nelson, Schwanke, Stapp, Saddler, Tomaszewski, Prax, Underwood, Bynum, and Ruffridge:

Page 24, following line 26:

Insert new material to read:

"No money appropriated in this appropriation may be expended for an abortion that is not a mandatory service required under AS 47.07.030(a). The money appropriated for the Department of Health may be expended only for mandatory services required under Title XIX of the Social Security Act, unless a U.S. Supreme Court decision provides new precedent, and for optional services offered by the state under the state plan for medical assistance that has been approved by the United States Department of Health and Human Services."

Representative Vance moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 32 be adopted.

Representative Mina objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 32 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 32

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. 32 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 33 was offered by Representative Vance:

Page 10, line 9:

Delete "**90,608,600**"

Insert "**88,608,600**"

Delete "**83,426,300**"

Insert "**81,426,300**"

Page 10, line 12:

Delete "76,287,900"

Insert "74,287,900"

Page 39, line 7:

Delete "**183,697,400**"

Insert "**185,697,400**"

Delete "**138,551,800**"

Insert "**140,551,800**"

Page 39, line 22:

Delete "48,948,700"

Insert "50,948,700"

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Representative Vance moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 33 be adopted.

Representative Hannan objected.

Representative Vance moved and asked unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment No. 33. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, Amendment Nos. 34 through 43 would be moved to the bottom of the amendments.

Amendment No. 44 was offered by Representative Bynum:

Page 4, line 29:

Delete "**19,774,100**"

Insert "**20,274,100**"

Delete "**8,260,800**"

Insert "**8,760,800**"

Page 4, line 30:

Delete "13,514,700"

Insert "14,014,700"

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Representative Bynum moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 44 be adopted.

Representative Hannan objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 44 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 44

YEAS: 9 NAYS: 31 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Allard, Bynum, Elam, Himschoot, Johnson, McCabe, Saddler, St. Clair, Underwood

Nays: Carrick, Costello, Coulombe, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Mina, Moore, D.Nelson, G.Nelson, Prax, Ruffridge, Schrage, Schwanke, Stapp, Story, Stutes, Tomaszewski, Vance

Allard changed from "NAY" to "YEA"
Stapp changed from "YEA" to "NAY"

And so, Amendment No. 44 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 45 was offered by Representative McCabe:

Page 34, following line 5:

Insert new material to read:

	"APPROPRIATION ALLOCATIONS	ITEMS	GENERAL FUND
Agency Unallocated Reduction		-839,300	-839,300
Agency Unallocated Reduction		-839,300	

It is the intent of the legislature that the unallocated reduction set out in this section be allocated among the appropriations made in this section to reduce travel for the Department of Revenue from the \$2,167,300 amount proposed in the governor's amended budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, to \$1,328,000, which was the amount actually expended in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025."

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Representative McCabe moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 45 be adopted.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 45 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 45

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. 45 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 46 was offered by Representative McCabe:

Page 29, following line 22:

Insert new material to read:

	"APPROPRIATION ALLOCATIONS	GENERAL ITEMS FUND
Agency Unallocated Reduction	-3,993,500	-3,993,500
Agency Unallocated Reduction	-3,993,500	

It is the intent of the legislature that the unallocated reduction set out in this section be allocated among the appropriations made in this section to reduce travel for the Department of Natural Resources from the \$6,295,800 amount proposed in the governor's amended budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, to \$2,302,300, which was the amount actually expended in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025."

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Representative McCabe moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 46 be adopted.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 46 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am
 Second Reading
 Amendment No. 46

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. 46 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 47 was offered by Representative McCabe:

Page 4, following line 18:

Insert new material to read:

	"APPROPRIATION ALLOCATIONS	ITEMS	GENERAL FUND
Agency Unallocated Reduction	-2,080,100	-2,080,100	-2,080,100
Agency Unallocated Reduction	-2,080,100		

It is the intent of the legislature that the unallocated reduction set out in this section be allocated among the appropriations made in this section to reduce travel for the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development from the \$4,163,300 amount proposed in the governor's amended budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, to \$2,083,200, which was the amount actually expended in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025."

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Representative McCabe moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 47 be adopted.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 47 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am
 Second Reading
 Amendment No. 47

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. 47 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 48 was offered by Representative McCabe:

Page 13, following line 3:

Insert new material to read:

	"APPROPRIATION ALLOCATIONS	ITEMS	GENERAL FUND
Agency Unallocated Reduction		-250,900	-250,900
Agency Unallocated Reduction		-250,900	

It is the intent of the legislature that the unallocated reduction set out in this section be allocated among the appropriations made in this section to reduce travel for the Department of Environmental Conservation from the \$2,032,700 amount proposed in the governor's amended budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, to \$1,781,800, which was the amount actually expended in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025."

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Representative McCabe moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 48 be adopted.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 48 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 48

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. 48 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 49 was offered by Representative McCabe:

Page 17, following line 12:

Insert new material to read:

	"APPROPRIATION ALLOCATIONS	GENERAL ITEMS FUND
Agency Unallocated Reduction	-2,347,500	-2,347,500
Agency Unallocated Reduction	-2,347,500	

It is the intent of the legislature that the unallocated reduction set out in this section be allocated among the appropriations made in this section to reduce travel for the Department of Fish and Game from the \$5,827,500 amount proposed in the governor's amended budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, to \$3,480,000, which was the amount actually expended in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025."

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Representative McCabe moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 49 be adopted.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 49 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 49

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. 49 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 50 was offered by Representative McCabe:

Page 36, following line 26:

Insert new material to read:

	"APPROPRIATION ALLOCATIONS	ITEMS	GENERAL FUND
Agency Unallocated Reduction		-3,662,300	-3,662,300
Agency Unallocated Reduction		-3,662,300	

It is the intent of the legislature that the unallocated reduction set out in this section be allocated among the appropriations made in this section to reduce travel for the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities from the \$7,656,600 amount proposed in the governor's amended budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, to \$3,994,300, which was the amount actually expended in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025."

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Representative McCabe moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 50 be adopted.

Representative Carrick objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 50 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 50

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. 50 was not adopted.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the House would recess to 3:00 p.m.; and so, the House recessed at 1:06 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

The Speaker called the House back to order at 3:10 p.m.

HOUSE BILLS IN SECOND READING

HB 263

The following was before the House in second reading:

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 263(FIN) am

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; making supplemental appropriations; 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."

Amendment No. 51 was offered by Representative Schwanke:

Page 11, line 4:

Delete "**318,714,800**"

Insert "**316,261,850**"

Delete "**71,968,300**"

Insert "**69,515,350**"

Page 11, line 19:

Delete "19,060,000"

Insert "16,607,050"

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Representative Schwanke moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 51 be adopted.

Representative Galvin objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 51 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am

Second Reading

Amendment No. 51

YEAS: 15 NAYS: 25 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

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

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

And so, Amendment No. 51 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 52 was offered by Representative Schwanke:

Page 11, line 21:

Delete "**4,239,300**"

Insert "**4,729,300**"

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Delete "927,500"
 Insert "1,417,500"

Page 11, line 22:

Delete "4,239,300"
 Insert "4,729,300"

Page 26, line 12:

Delete "56,640,500"
 Insert "56,150,500"
 Delete "5,033,400"
 Insert "4,543,400"

Page 26, line 19:

Delete "27,439,300"
 Insert "26,949,300"

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Representative Schwanke moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 52 be adopted.

Representative Galvin objected.

Representative Stutes, citing Section 101 of Mason's Manual, rose to a point of order regarding confining remarks to the amendment.

The Speaker stated that the point was well taken.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 52 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am
 Second Reading
 Amendment No. 52

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. 52 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 53 was offered by Representative Bynum:

Page 82, line 12:

Delete "\$5,265,885"

Insert "\$7,861,885"

Representative Bynum moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 53 be adopted.

There was objection.

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 53 was offered by Representatives Bynum and Story:

Page 1, line 3 of the amendment:

Delete "7,861,885"

Insert "14,594,860"

Representative Bynum moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 53 be adopted.

There was objection.

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 53 be tabled. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 53 be tabled. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 54 was offered by Representative Bynum:

Page 66, following line 4:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(l) The sum of \$16,300,000 is appropriated from the general

fund to the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development to be distributed as grants to employers to offset employer costs associated with providing retirement benefits to employees in the public employees' retirement system (AS 39.35) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027."

Page 67, following line 4:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(g) The sum of \$49,500,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education and Early Development to be distributed as grants to school districts to offset employer costs associated with providing retirement benefits to employees in the teachers' retirement system (AS 14.25) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027."

Page 89, following line 2:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(b) The appropriation made in sec. 12(*l*) of this Act is contingent on passage by the Thirty-Fourth Alaska State Legislature during the Second Regular Session and enactment into law of SB 55 or a similar bill requiring employees in the public employees' retirement system (AS 39.35) to participate in the State of Alaska Supplemental Annuity Plan or in the federal social security system."

Reletter the following subsections accordingly.

Page 89, following line 6:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(d) The appropriation made in sec. 13(g) of this Act is contingent on passage by the Thirty-Fourth Alaska State Legislature during the Second Regular Session and enactment into law of SB 55 or a similar bill requiring employees in the teachers' retirement system (AS 14.25) to participate in the State of Alaska Supplemental Annuity Plan or in the federal social security system."

Reletter the following subsection accordingly.

Representative Bynum moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 54 be adopted.

Representative Josephson objected.

Representative Bynum, citing Section 122 of Mason's Manual, rose to a point of order regarding impugning the motives of members of the body.

The Speaker cautioned members to refrain from impugning the motives of others.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 54 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 54

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

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

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

And so, Amendment No. 54 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 55 was offered by Representative Johnson:

Page 71, following line 30:

Insert a new bill section to read:

**** Sec. 23. ALASKA COURT SYSTEM.** The sum of \$680,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Judiciary, Alaska Court System, trial courts, for the addition of a superior court judge in the Third Judicial District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 88, lines 14 - 15:

Delete "24(b), (c), and (i), 26, 27(a) - (h) and (j) - (p), 28(a) and (b), and 32(a)"

Insert "25(b), (c), and (i), 27, 28(a) - (h) and (j) - (p), 29(a) and (b), and 33(a)"

Page 88, line 21:

Delete "Sections 27(m)"

Insert "Sections 28(m)"

Page 88, line 22:

Delete "Sections 1 - 26, 27(a) - (l) and (q), 28 - 31, 33, 34, and 36"

Insert "Sections 1 - 27, 28(a) - (l) and (q), 29 - 32, 34, 35, and 37"

Page 90, following line 11:

Insert a new subsection to read:

"(d) The appropriation made in sec. 23 of this Act is contingent on passage by the Thirty-Fourth Alaska State Legislature during the Second Regular Session and enactment into law of a version of HB 262 or a similar bill adding a superior court judge in the Third Judicial District."

Page 89, line 12:

Delete "Sections 27(m)"

Insert "Sections 28(m)"

Page 89, line 13:

Delete "Sections 27(o) and (p) and 32"

Insert "Sections 28(o) and (p) and 33"

Page 89, line 14:

Delete "Section 35"

Insert "Section 36"

Page 89, line 15:

Delete "secs. 37 - 39"

Insert "secs. 38 - 40"

Representative Johnson moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 55 be adopted.

Representative Josephson objected.

Representative Johnson moved and asked unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment No. 55. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 56 was offered by Representative G. Nelson:

Page 8, line 7:

Delete "**361,054,000**"

Insert "**359,376,820**"

Delete "**351,625,300**"

Insert "**349,948,120**"

Page 9, line 20:

Delete "14,500,000"

Insert "12,822,820"

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Representative G. Nelson moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 56 be adopted.

Representative Hannan objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 56 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am

Second Reading

Amendment No. 56

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

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

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

And so, Amendment No. 56 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 57 was offered by Representative Schwanke:

Page 11, line 4:

Delete "**318,714,800**"
 Insert "**318,214,800**"
 Delete "**71,968,300**"
 Insert "**71,468,300**"

Page 11, line 8:

Delete "20,587,300"
 Insert "20,087,300"

Page 11, following line 20:

Insert new material to read:

	" APPROPRIATION	GENERAL
	ALLOCATIONS	FUND
Alyeska Reading Academy and Institute	500,000	500,000
Alyeska Reading Academy and Institute"	500,000	

Adjust fund sources and totals accordingly.

Representative Schwanke moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 57 be adopted.

Representative Galvin objected.

Representative Schwanke moved and asked unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment No. 57. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Amendment No. 58 was offered by Representative Schwanke:

Page 58, before line 1:

Insert a new bill section to read:

"* **Sec. 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT.** (a) It is the intent of the legislature that appropriations made in this Act to a department, agency, or commission for the payment of salary and benefits for unfilled positions be used only for the payment of overtime or bonuses for employees, or for salary and benefits for seasonal employee

positions, that are within the same division or section of the department, agency, or commission funded by the appropriation. Appropriations made in this Act for the payment of salary and benefits for unfilled positions may not be used for any other purpose, including contracting for services, purchasing supplies or equipment, or transferring money to any other line item or fund. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any unexpended and unobligated balance of an appropriation restricted under this section at the end of the fiscal year shall lapse into the fund from which the appropriation originated. This restriction applies to all appropriations made in this Act to any department, agency, or commission.

(b) It is the intent of the legislature that, if a department, agency, or commission uses appropriations made to the department, agency, or commission in a fiscal year for overtime or bonuses for employees, or for seasonal employee salary or benefits, the department, agency, or commission prepare a report for the legislature that describes the use of the funds, including a list of the specific positions funded by the appropriation and a description of how the department, agency, or commission plans to recruit and fill the vacant positions, and, not later than December 15 following the close of that fiscal year, submit the report to the senate secretary and the chief clerk of the house of representatives and notify the legislature that the report is available."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 70, line 31:

Delete "secs. 11(c) - (e)"

Insert "secs. 12(c) - (e)"

Page 80, line 12:

Delete "sec. 12(e)"

Insert "sec. 13(e)"

Page 84, line 7:

Delete "20"

Insert "21"

Page 88, lines 11 - 12:

Delete "sec. 8(d)(2)"

Insert "sec. 9(d)(2)"

Page 88, lines 13 - 15:

Delete "secs. 8(a), (b), and (d) - (f), 9(d), 11(c) - (e), 16(i), 24(b), (c), and (i), 26, 27(a) - (h) and (j) - (p), 28(a) and (b), and 32(a)"

Insert "secs. 9(a), (b), and (d) - (f), 10(d), 12(c) - (e), 17(i), 25(b), (c), and (i), 27, 28(a) - (h) and (j) - (p), 29(a) and (b), and 33(a)"

Page 88, line 21:

Delete "Sections 27(m) and (n)"

Insert "Sections 28(m) and (n)"

Page 88, line 22:

Delete "Sections 1 - 26, 27(a) - (l) and (q), 28 - 31, 33, 34, and 36"

Insert "Sections 1 - 27, 28(a) - (l) and (q), 29 - 32, 34, 35, and 37"

Page 89, line 2:

Delete "sec. 10(b)(1)"

Insert "sec. 11(b)(1)"

Page 89, line 3:

Delete "sec. 13(f)"

Insert "sec. 14(f)"

Page 89, line 7:

Delete "sec. 22(c)"

Insert "sec. 23(c)"

Page 89, line 12:

Delete "Sections 27(m) and (n)"

Insert "Sections 28(m) and (n)"

Page 89, line 13:

Delete "Sections 27(o) and (p) and 32"

Insert "Sections 28(o) and (p) and 33"

Page 89, line 14:

Delete "Section 35"

Insert "Section 36"

Page 89, line 15:

Delete "secs. 37 - 39"

Insert "secs. 38 - 40"

Representative Schwanke moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 58 be adopted.

There was objection.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 58 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

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Second Reading
Amendment No. 58

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. 58 was not adopted.

Amendment No. 59 was offered by Representative Bynum:

Page 36, line 27:

Delete "**112,761,000**"

Insert "**112,776,000**"

Delete "**23,184,400**"

Insert "**23,199,400**"

Page 36, line 31:

Delete "**62,122,000**"

Insert "**62,137,000**"

Representative Bynum moved and asked unanimous consent that Amendment No. 59 be adopted.

Representative Hannan objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 59 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 263(FIN) am
Second Reading
Amendment No. 59

YEAS: 11 NAYS: 29 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bynum, Costello, Coulombe, Elam, Johnson, D.Nelson, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schwanke, Stapp, Underwood

Nays: Allard, Carrick, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Fields, Foster, Frier, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Kopp, McCabe, Mears, Mina, Moore, G.Nelson, Prax, Schrage, St. Clair, Story, Stutes, Tomaszewski, Vance

And so, Amendment No. 59 was not adopted.

The Speaker stated that, without objection, CSHB 263(FIN) am would be held in second reading to the April 10 calendar.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 265

The Speaker stated that, without objection, the following, which was moved to the bottom of the calendar (page 2080), would be held to the April 10 calendar:

HOUSE BILL NO. 265

"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

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 Prax – from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., April 10

HJR 33

Representative Himschoot added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 33

Encouraging the United States Congress to provide a legal resolution to inequitable aboriginal land claims in the state; and encouraging the Alaska delegation in Congress to work with affected communities in the state.

HB 301

Representative Mina added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 301

"An Act relating to and prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression."

HB 303

Representative Mina added as a cosponsor to:

HOUSE BILL NO. 303

"An Act relating to the registration and titling of legally imported motor vehicles; and providing for an effective date."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

House committee schedules are published under separate cover.

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Kopp moved and asked unanimous consent that the House adjourn until 10:30 a.m., April 10. There being no objection, the House adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Crystaline Jones
Chief Clerk