

# **SENATE JOURNAL**

## **ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE**

### **THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE**

#### **FIRST SESSION**

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Tuesday**

**May 20, 2025**

#### **One Hundred Twentieth Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 8:48 a.m.

The roll showed twenty members present.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Pastor Greg White, First Baptist Church Juneau. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Heavenly Father, in Jesus' name I come to you. I pray that during these closing days of this session that you fill the Senators with the "knowledge of your will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding" (Col 1:9), that they serve as a blessing to you and the people of Alaska. Father, I ask your grace be poured out upon the Senators that they are truly empowered to effectively "run the race set before them" (Hebrews 12:1b). In Jesus' name, Amen.

Senator Cronk led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Certification**

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

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**Recess**

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in recess to the Joint Session. Without objection, the Senate recessed at 8:51 a.m.

**After Recess**

**Joint Session in the House**

Speaker Edgmon called the House to order and in accordance with Uniform Rule 51 turned the gavel over to President Stevens, who called the Joint Session to order at 9:00 a.m.

**HB 57**

The purpose of the Joint Session was to consider the Governor's veto of SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 57(FIN) am S(reengrossed) (Schools: Comm. Devices/Class Size/Funding).

The roll of the Senate was called and showed twenty members present.

The roll of the House was taken and showed forty members present.

Senator Giessel moved SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 57(FIN) am S(reengrossed) become law notwithstanding the Governor's veto.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 57(FIN) am S(reengrossed) "An Act relating to maximum classroom sizes in public schools; relating to education reports; relating to charter schools; relating to student transportation funding; relating to secondary school vocational and technical instruction funding; relating to the base student allocation; relating to reading proficiency incentive grants; relating to wireless telecommunications devices in public schools; relating to the use of tax revenue from highly digitized businesses; relating to the duties of the Department of Labor and Workforce Development; establishing the Task Force on Education Funding; and providing for an effective date" become law notwithstanding the Governor's veto?" The roll of the Senate was taken with the following result:

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SCS CSHB 57(FIN) am S(reengrossed)

Veto Override

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

Yea: Bjorkman, Claman, Cronk, Dunbar, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kaufman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Merrick, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Tobin, Wielechowski, Yundt

Nay: Hughes, Myers, Shower

Olson changed from "NAY" to "YEA"

The roll of the House was taken with the following result:

HOUSE

SCS CSHB 57(FIN) am S(reengrossed)

Veto Override

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

Yea: Burke, Bynum, Carrick, Costello, Coulombe, Dibert, Edgmon, Eischeid, Elam, Fields, Foster, Galvin, Gray, Hall, Hannan, Himschoot, Holland, Jimmie, Josephson, Kopp, Mears, Mina, Nelson, Ruffridge, Saddler, Schrage, Stapp, Story, Stutes

Nay: Allard, Johnson, McCabe, Moore, Prax, Rauscher, Schwanke, Tilton, Tomaszewski, Underwood, Vance

**TOTALS: YEAS: 46 NAYS: 14 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

and so, the Governor's veto of SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 57(FIN) am S(reengrossed) was overridden.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the Joint Session stand in adjournment. Without objection, the Joint Session adjourned at 9:04 a.m.

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**After Recess**

**In the Senate**

The Senate reconvened at 11:04 a.m.

President Stevens stated in accordance with Rule 30, Alaska State Legislature Uniform Rules, reconsideration is not available today.

**Special Committee Reports**

**HB 53**

Senator Giessel moved the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on HB 53, which had been read (page 1342).

The question being: "Shall the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CCS HB 53

Shall the Senate Adopt the Conference Committee Report?

Effective Date(s)

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

Yeas: Bjorkman, Claman, Cronk, Dunbar, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kaufman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Merrick, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, Tobin, Wielechowski, Yundt

Nays: Hughes, Myers, Shower

and so, the report was adopted, thus adopting:

CONFERENCE CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 53 "An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; amending appropriations; 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."

(technical title change)

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Senator Giessel moved for the adoption of the constitutional budget reserve fund section(s).

The question being: "Shall the constitutional budget reserve fund sections (Article IX, Section 17(c) Constitution of the State of Alaska) be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CCS HB 53

Adopt Constitutional Budget Reserve Fund Section(s)?

**YEAS: 18 NAYS: 2 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

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

Nay: Hughes, Myers

and so, the constitutional budget reserve fund section(s) were adopted.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the vote on the adoption of the Conference Committee Report be considered the vote on the effective date clause(s). Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

**HB 55**

Senator Giessel moved the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on HB 55, which had been read (page 1343).

The question being: "Shall the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CCS HB 55

Shall the Senate Adopt the Conference Committee Report?

Effective Date(s)

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

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

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and so, the report was adopted, thus adopting:

CONFERENCE CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 55 "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."

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the vote on the adoption of the Conference Committee Report be considered the vote on the effective date clause(s). Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

**HJR 14**

Senator Shower moved and asked unanimous consent CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14 (TRA) Supporting the completion of the Port MacKenzie Rail Extension and the Northern Rail Extension; supporting the increase in defensive capabilities at Fort Greely, Alaska; encouraging a renewed commitment by the Alaska Railroad to a community-minded approach to future rail expansion; and encouraging the development of critical Arctic infrastructure, be discharged from the Rules Committee. Senator Giessel objected.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14 (TRA) be discharged from the Rules Committee?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHJR 14(TRA)

Discharge from Rules Committee?

**YEAS: 6 NAYS: 14 EXCUSED: 0 ABSENT: 0**

Yeas: Cronk, Hughes, Kaufman, Myers, Shower, Yundt

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

and so, CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 14 (TRA) failed to be discharged from the Rules Committee.

**Consideration of the Calendar****Second Reading of House Bills****HB 70**

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 70(L&C) am "An Act relating to emergency medical services for operational canines; relating to the powers, duties, and liability of emergency medical technicians and mobile intensive care paramedics; relating to the practice of veterinary medicine; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Dunbar, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Health and Social Services Senate Committee Substitute offered on page 1301. Without objection, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 70(HSS) "An Act relating to emergency medical services for operational canines; relating to the powers, duties, and liability of emergency medical technicians and mobile intensive care paramedics; relating to the practice of veterinary medicine; relating to civil liability of veterinarians; and providing for an effective date" was adopted.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the bill be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Without objection, it was so ordered.

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 70(HSS) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 70(HSS) "An Act relating to emergency medical services for operational canines; relating to the powers, duties, and liability of emergency medical technicians and mobile intensive care paramedics; relating to the practice of veterinary medicine; relating to civil liability of veterinarians; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 70(HSS)  
Third Reading - Final Passage  
Effective Date(s)

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

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

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 70(HSS) passed the Senate.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the vote on the passage of the bill be considered the vote on the effective date clause(s). Without objection, it was so ordered and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

**SCR 9**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 was before the Senate on final passage.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No. 70, relating to emergency medical services for operational canines; relating to the powers, duties, and liability of emergency medical technicians and mobile intensive care paramedics; and relating to the practice of veterinary medicine, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCR 9

Final Passage

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

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

and so, SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

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### **HB 174**

HOUSE BILL NO. 174 "An Act relating to the regional educational attendance area and small municipal school district fund; relating to Mt. Edgecumbe High School; and relating to teacher housing" was read the second time.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the bill be advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Without objection, it was so ordered.

HOUSE BILL NO. 174 was read the third time.

Senators Hoffman, Stedman, Cronk, Gray-Jackson, Claman, Giessel, Shower, Tobin, Olson, Dunbar, Stevens moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on the bill. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall HOUSE BILL NO. 174 "An Act relating to the regional educational attendance area and small municipal school district fund; relating to Mt. Edgecumbe High School; and relating to teacher housing" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 174

Third Reading - Final Passage

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

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

and so, HOUSE BILL NO. 174 passed the Senate, was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

### **Third Reading of House Bills**

### **HB 16**

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 16(STA) "An Act requiring a group supporting or opposing a candidate or ballot proposition in a state or local election to maintain an address in the state; amending campaign contribution limits for state and local office; directing the Alaska Public Offices Commission to adjust campaign contribution limits for

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state and local office once each decade beginning in 2031; relating to campaign contribution reporting requirements; relating to administrative complaints filed with the Alaska Public Offices Commission; relating to state election expenditures and contributions made by a foreign-influenced corporation or foreign national; and providing for an effective date" was read the third time.

Senator Wielechowski, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 16(STA) be returned to the Rules Committee. Without objection, the bill was returned to the Rules Committee.

### **HB 31**

HOUSE BILL NO. 31 "An Act relating to the registration of commercial vessels; and relating to the derelict vessel prevention program fund" was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall HOUSE BILL NO. 31 "An Act relating to the registration of commercial vessels; and relating to the derelict vessel prevention program fund" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

HB 31

Third Reading - Final Passage

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

Yeas: Bjorkman, Claman, Cronk, Dunbar, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Hughes, Kaufman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Merrick, Myers, Shower, Stedman, Stevens, Tobin, Wielechowski, Yundt

Absent: Olson

and so, HOUSE BILL NO. 31 passed the Senate, was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

### **HB 35**

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 35(JUD) "An Act relating to the use and possession of electronic devices by prisoners; and relating to identification cards" was read the third time.

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The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 35(JUD) "An Act relating to the use and possession of electronic devices by prisoners; and relating to identification cards" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 35(JUD)

Third Reading - Final Passage

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

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

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 35(JUD) passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

**SCR 8**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8 was before the Senate on final passage.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8 Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No. 35, relating to the use and possession of electronic devices by prisoners, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCR 8

Final Passage

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

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

and so, SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8 passed the Senate and was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

**HB 123**

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 123(FIN) "An Act relating to vehicle rental taxes; relating to the issuance of subpoenas related to tax records; and providing for an effective date" was read the third time.

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Senators Dunbar, Cronk, Claman, Yundt moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on the bill. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 123(FIN) "An Act relating to vehicle rental taxes; relating to the issuance of subpoenas related to tax records; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 123(FIN)

Third Reading - Final Passage

Effective Date(s)

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

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

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 123(FIN) passed the Senate.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the vote on the passage of the bill be considered the vote on the effective date clause(s). Without objection, it was so ordered and the bill was referred to the Secretary for engrossment.

**Third Reading of House Resolutions**

**HJR 13**

CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13(MLV) Urging the President of the United States to expand evacuation efforts for applicants with approved Special Immigrant Visas, including resumption of evacuation flights organized by the Coordinator for Afghan Relocation Efforts; urging the United States Department of State to secure legal protections and humanitarian assistance for Special Immigrant Visa applicants; urging the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services in the United States Department of Homeland Security to expedite the review of applications for

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Special Immigrant Visas; and requesting that the United States Secretary of State provide a report to Congress regarding efforts to reinstate evacuation flights for applicants with approved Special Immigrant Visas, was read the third time.

Senators Tobin, Dunbar, Shower, Merrick, Bjorkman, Yundt, Claman, Kaufman, Myers, Stedman, Cronk moved and asked unanimous consent to be shown as cross sponsors on the resolution. Without objection, it was so ordered.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13(MLV) Urging the President of the United States to expand evacuation efforts for applicants with approved Special Immigrant Visas, including resumption of evacuation flights organized by the Coordinator for Afghan Relocation Efforts; urging the United States Department of State to secure legal protections and humanitarian assistance for Special Immigrant Visa applicants; urging the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services in the United States Department of Homeland Security to expedite the review of applications for Special Immigrant Visas; and requesting that the United States Secretary of State provide a report to Congress regarding efforts to reinstate evacuation flights for applicants with approved Special Immigrant Visas, pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHJR 13(MLV)

Third Reading - Final Passage

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

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

and so, CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13(MLV) passed the Senate, was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

**Special Order of Business**

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the following Citation Calendar be made a special order of business. Without objection, it was so ordered.

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**Citation Calendar**

Honoring - Luke and Rachel Johnson  
Senator(s) Bjorkman

Honoring - Peggy Arness  
Senator(s) Bjorkman

Honoring - Lynnie Einerson  
Senator(s) Bjorkman

Honoring - Julie Husmann  
Senator(s) Shower  
Representative(s) McCabe

Honoring - Hallie Clark  
Representative(s) Moore

Honoring - Tom Lytle  
Representative(s) Moore  
Senator(s) Yundt

Honoring - Josiah Samuel Ruse  
Representative(s) Schwanke, Tomaszewski  
Senator(s) Cronk

In Memoriam - Edward "Ed" Leach  
Senator(s) Dunbar, Wielechowski  
Representative(s) Eischeid

In Memoriam - Wayne Carroll  
Senator(s) Bjorkman

In Memoriam - Jeffrey John Overstreet  
Representative(s) Tilton  
Senator(s) Hughes

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

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate return to Messages from the House. Without objection, the Senate returned to:

### **Messages from the House**

#### **HB 121**

Message dated May 20 was read stating the House concurred in the Senate amendment(s) to HOUSE BILL NO. 121 "An Act relating to the practice of accounting; and providing for an effective date", thus adopting:

SENATE CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 121(STA)  
"An Act relating to the practice of accounting;  
relating to private professional conservators;  
amending Rule 17(e), Alaska Rules of Probate  
Procedure; and providing for an effective date."

#### **SB 39**

Message dated May 20 was read stating the House passed and returned:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 39(FIN) "An Act  
relating to loans in an amount of \$25,000 or less;  
relating to financial institutions; relating to the  
Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and  
Registry; relating to pawnbroker licensing  
exemptions; relating to deferred deposit advances;  
relating to computing interest; and providing for an  
effective date."

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

#### **SB 54**

Message dated May 20 was read stating the House passed and returned:

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE  
BILL NO. 54(FIN) "An Act relating to registered  
interior designers and interior design; relating to  
project costs for the construction, enlargement, or  
improvement of airports; extending the termination

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date of the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors; relating to the State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors; establishing requirements for the practice of registered interior design; relating to the practice of architecture, engineering, land surveying, landscape architecture, and registered interior design; relating to the scope of the certification requirements for architects, engineers, land surveyors, landscape architects, and registered interior designers; relating to immunity for design professionals; relating to the cost of construction for recreation centers; relating to liens for labor or materials furnished; relating to the procurement of landscape architectural and interior design services; relating to the cost of construction of safe water and hygienic sewage disposal facilities in villages; and providing for an effective date."

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

**SB 137**

Message dated May 20 was read stating the House passed and returned:

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 137(FIN) "An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives; extending the termination date of the Board of Nursing; extending the termination date of the Board of Veterinary Examiners; extending the termination date of the Board of Parole; and providing for an effective date."

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

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**SCR 6**

Message dated May 20 was read stating the House passed and returned:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6  
Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e),  
Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature,  
concerning House Bill No. 121, relating to the  
practice of accounting.

The resolution was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

**SJR 17**

Message dated May 20 was read stating the House passed and returned:

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17  
Recognizing and honoring the 50th anniversary of  
The Energy Council.

The resolution was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

**Concur Messages**

**SB 156**

Message dated May 20 was read stating the House passed and returned for consideration CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 156(FIN) "An Act relating to the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development; relating to the Alaska Commercial Fishing and Agriculture Bank; relating to certain loans made by the Alaska Commercial Fishing and Agriculture Bank; relating to certain commercial fishing loans; providing for an effective date by amending the effective date of sec. 4, ch. 25, SLA 2024; and providing for an effective date" with the following amendment(s):

HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL  
NO. 156(FSH) "An Act relating to the Department of  
Commerce, Community, and Economic  
Development; relating to the Alaska Commercial  
Fishing and Agriculture Bank; relating to certain

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loans made by the Alaska Commercial Fishing and Agriculture Bank; relating to certain commercial fishing loans; and providing for an effective date." (technical title change)

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 CSSB 156(FSH)

Shall the Senate Concur in the House Amendment(s) to CSSB 156(FIN)? Effective Date(s)

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

Yeas: Bjorkman, Claman, Cronk, Dunbar, Giessel, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Hughes, Kaufman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Merrick, Myers, Olson, Shower, Stevens, Tobin, Wielechowski, Yundt

Nays: Stedman

and so, the Senate concurred in the House amendment(s), thus adopting HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 156(FSH) "An Act relating to the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development; relating to the Alaska Commercial Fishing and Agriculture Bank; relating to certain loans made by the Alaska Commercial Fishing and Agriculture Bank; relating to certain commercial fishing loans; and providing for an effective date."

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the vote on concurrence be considered the vote on the effective date clause(s). Without objection, it was so ordered.

The Secretary was requested to notify the House.

The bill was referred to the Secretary for enrollment.

**Unfinished Business**

Senator Claman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate on the following dates:

from June 13 through June 28  
from August 8 through September 5  
from September 14 through September 22

Without objection, Senator Claman was excused.

**Announcements**

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

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

**Engrossment****HB 35**

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 35(JUD) "An Act relating to the use and possession of electronic devices by prisoners; and relating to identification cards" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

**HB 70**

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 70(HSS) "An Act relating to emergency medical services for operational canines; relating to the powers, duties, and liability of emergency medical technicians and mobile intensive care paramedics; relating to the practice of veterinary medicine; relating to civil liability of veterinarians; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

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**HB 123**

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 123(FIN) "An Act relating to vehicle rental taxes; relating to the issuance of subpoenas related to tax records; and providing for an effective date" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

**SCR 8**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8 Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No. 35, relating to the use and possession of electronic devices by prisoners, was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

**SCR 9**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9 Suspending Rules 24(c), 35, 41(b), and 42(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, concerning House Bill No. 70, relating to emergency medical services for operational canines; relating to the powers, duties, and liability of emergency medical technicians and mobile intensive care paramedics; and relating to the practice of veterinary medicine, was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and transmitted to the House for consideration.

**Adjournment**

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 1:00 p.m., January 20, 2026. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 1:20 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

### COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS

<b>May 20</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
		-- MEETING CANCELED --	
+ =	HB 26	STATEWIDE PUBLIC & COMMUNITY TRANSIT PLAN	
+ =	SB 192	EVACUATION DESIGNATION LEVELS	
		<Bill Hearing Canceled>	
		Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	
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### EDUCATION

<b>May 21</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
		-- MEETING CANCELED --	
+		Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled	
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<b>May 23</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
		No Meeting Scheduled	

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### FINANCE

<b>May 20</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Senate Finance 532</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
		No Meeting Scheduled	

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<b>May 21</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
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<b>May 23</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>1:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		

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**RESOURCES**

<b>May 21</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
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**OTHER MEETINGS**

**JOINT SESSION**

<b>May 20</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>House Chamber</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
+	Consideration of the Governor's Veto of HB 57 (SCHOOLS: COMM. DEVICES/CLASS SIZE/FUNDING)		