

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

**Juneau, Alaska**

**Wednesday**

**March 11, 2026**

**Fifty-first Day**

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Stevens at 11:13 a.m.

The roll showed twenty members present.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rabbi Mendy Greenberg, Mat-Su Jewish Center Chabad Lubavitch. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

B”H

Almighty G-d, Master of the Universe, I stand before you, in prayer.

While many around the world are currently facing deep hardship, I am also witnessing extraordinary and miraculous events. To express my feelings about these unique times, I turn to the words of King David in Psalm 124

לולי ה' שהיה לנו, בקום עלינו אדם. אזי חיים בלענו בחרות אפם בנו.

“Were it not for the L-rd who was with us when men rose up against us, then they would have swallowed us alive in their burning rage against us.”

Almighty G-d, grant the members of the Alaska State Senate, wisdom and understanding, to bring true healing to our world through embodying the universal values of the Seven Noahide Commandments communicated to humanity from G-d through Moses at Mount Sinai.

Briefly, they include the requirements to honor the Creator, respect life, reject violence, act honestly, value family, promote generosity, and build a just and moral society.

Almighty G-d, bless this group assembled here today to fulfil one of Your seven commandments, which is to govern by just laws.

May I be graced by the merit of the global spiritual giant and leader, Your servant, the Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, whose 124th birthday will be celebrated on the 11th day of Nissan, Sunday, March 29, four days before Passover. It is observed as Education and Sharing Day.

In tribute to his commitment to promoting the importance of moral and ethical education as the foundation of a brighter and better future for all.

From his early childhood, the Rebbe envisioned a world of peace and tranquility and emphasized how one good action, spoken word or thought can tip the scales to usher in this reality.

Passover is the festival of liberty, commemorating the Israelite exodus from Egypt, through Moses. The Rebbe teaches that Egypt represents not only a physical location at the northern tip of Africa. The Hebrew name for Egypt is Mitzrayim, which also means constraints and limitations. The Israelite redemption, which occurred over three thousand years ago, empowers me to free myself from all internal and external pressures that keep me from realizing our true potential.

Like Moses in his generation, the Rebbe in our generation continues to guide millions through his teachings to utilize their inherent goodness and light to change the world for the better.

Almighty G-d, in the merit of realizing this great vision for humanity, may I merit to see the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy, "nation shall not lift the sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore." With the coming of

Moshiach when the hallowed words of King David in psalm 125 will be fulfilled

שיר המעלות הבוטחים בה', כהר ציון לא ימוט, לעולם ישב. ירושלים  
הרים סביב לה, וה' סביב לעמו, מעתה ועד עולם.

“Those who trust in the L-rd, are as Mount Zion which never falters, but abides forever. Mountains surround Jerusalem, and the Lord surrounds his people from this time and forever”

May this happen very soon. And let me say, Amen!

Senator Merrick led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Certification**

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the journal for the fiftieth legislative day and House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 16 be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

### **Communications**

Memorandum dated March 11 from Hilary V. Martin, Revisor of Statutes, Legislative Affairs Agency, Division of Legal Services was received stating:

Section 35, ch. 14, SLA 2025, directed the Department of Health to "amend and submit for federal approval the state plan for the state's child care assistance program under the federal child care and development fund program, consistent with AS 47.25.001(a), as amended by sec. 6 . . . ." Under sec. 37(a), ch. 14, SLA 2025:

Section 6 of this Act takes effect only if, on or before January 1, 2026, the United States Department of Health and Human Services

(1) approves the amendment to the state plan for the child care assistance program under the federal child care and development fund program,

consistent with AS 47.25.001(a), as amended by sec. 6 of this Act; or

(2) determines that approval of the amendment to the state plan for the child care assistance program is not necessary.

Section 38 provides that if sec. 6 takes effect, it takes effect "on the day after the date the United States Department of Health and Human Services approves the corresponding amendment to the state plan or determines that approval is not necessary." I received notice from the commissioner of health on November 4, 2025, that the United States Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care, determined that an amendment to the state plan for the child care assistance program was not necessary on September 17, 2025. Therefore, sec. 6, ch. 14, SLA 2025, took effect on September 18, 2025.

Please publish this in the journal to provide notice that the condition has been satisfied.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

#### **SB 193**

The Health and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 193 "An Act relating to the practice of naturopathy."

Signing no recommendation: Senator Dunbar, Chair; Senator Tobin.  
Signing do pass: Senators Myers, Giessel.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

#### **SB 206**

The Health and Social Services Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 206 "An Act relating to reports of harassment, intimidation, or bullying in schools; relating to parental notification of incidents of harassment, intimidation, or bullying involving students and threats of suicide by students; and establishing the firearm safe storage grant fund" and recommended it be replaced with

**CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 206(HSS)**

"An Act relating to parental notification of incidents of harassment, intimidation, or bullying involving students and threats of suicide by students; and establishing the firearm safe storage grant fund."

Signing no recommendation: Senator Dunbar, Chair; Senator Myers.  
Signing do pass: Senators Tobin, Giessel.

The following fiscal information was published today:

Fiscal Note No. 1, Department of Public Safety

Fiscal Note No. 2, zero, Department of Education and Early  
Development

The bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

**Consideration of the Calendar****House Bills in Third Reading****HB 289**

SENATE CS FOR 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" which had been held in third reading (page 1891) was before the Senate.

Senator Hoffman moved the bill be returned to second reading for all amendments offered today. Without objection, the bill was returned to second reading.

Amendments No. 1 and No. 2 were not offered.

Senator Hoffman offered Amendment No. 3:

Page 1, lines 1 - 2:

Delete "making appropriations, including supplemental appropriations, capital appropriations, reappropriations, and other appropriations; amending appropriations;"

Insert "making supplemental appropriations;"

Page 2, line 1, through page 24, line 2:

Delete all material and insert:

"\* Section 1. The following appropriations are for capital projects and grants from the general fund or other funds as set out in sec. 2 of this Act by funding source to the agencies named for the purposes expressed. They lapse under AS 37.25.020, unless otherwise noted.

	Appropriation Items	General Funds	Other Funds
	Allocations		
	*****	*****	

\*\*\*\*\* Department of Transportation and Public Facilities \*\*\*\*\*

	*****	*****	
<b>Federal Program Match</b>	<b>69,695,087</b>	<b>69,695,087</b>	
Federal-Aid Aviation State Match (HD 1-40)		9,807,384	
Federal-Aid Highway State Match (HD 1-40)		58,276,155	
Other Federal Program Match (HD 1-40)		1,611,548	
<b>Statewide Federal Programs</b>	<b>459,000</b>	<b>459,000</b>	
Federal Transit Administration Grants (HD 1-40)		400,000	
Highway Safety Grants Program (HD 1-40)		59,000	

(SECTION 2 OF THIS ACT BEGINS ON THE NEXT PAGE)

\* Sec. 2. The following sets out the funding by agency for the appropriations made in sec. 1 of this Act.

Funding Source	Amount
<b>Department of Transportation and Public Facilities</b>	
1003 General Fund Match	69,695,087
1004 Unrestricted General Fund Receipts	459,000
*** Total Agency Funding ***	70,154,087
***** <b>Total Budget</b> *****	<b>70,154,087</b>

(SECTION 3 OF THIS ACT BEGINS ON THE NEXT PAGE)

\* **Sec. 3.** The following sets out the statewide funding for the appropriations made in sec. 1 of this Act.

Funding Source	Amount
<b>Unrestricted General</b>	
1003 General Fund Match	69,695,087
1004 Unrestricted General Fund Receipts	459,000
*** Total Unrestricted General ***	70,154,087

(SECTION 4 OF THIS ACT BEGINS ON THE NEXT PAGE)

\* **Sec. 4. FUND CAPITALIZATION.** (a) The sum of \$40,000,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the disaster relief fund (AS 26.23.300(a)).

(b) The sum of \$35,000,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the disaster relief fund (AS 26.23.300(a)).

(c) The sum of \$98,715,900 is appropriated from the general fund to the fire suppression fund (AS 41.15.210) for fire suppression activities.

\* **Sec. 5. FUND TRANSFER.** An amount equal to the amount appropriated from the Alaska higher education investment fund (AS 37.14.750) in sec. 49(b), ch. 10, SLA 2025, estimated to be \$129,598,900, is appropriated from the general fund to the Alaska higher education investment fund (AS 37.14.750).

\* **Sec. 6. CONSTITUTIONAL BUDGET RESERVE FUND.** (a) An amount equal to the appropriations made from the general fund in this Act is appropriated from the budget reserve fund (art. IX, sec. 17, Constitution of the State of Alaska) to the general fund."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 24, line 3:

Delete "appropriations"

Insert "appropriation"

Page 24, line 4:

Delete "are"

Insert "is"

Page 24, lines 6 - 7:

Delete "secs. 4 and 17 - 20"

Insert "sec. 1"

Page 24, line 8:

Delete "secs. 15(b) - (d) and 16"

Insert "secs. 4 and 5"

Page 24, lines 10 - 12:

Delete all material and insert:

"\* **Sec. 8. RETROACTIVITY.** Sections 1 - 7 and 9 of this Act are retroactive to March 1, 2026."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 24, line 13:

Delete "sec. 15(c)"

Insert "sec. 4(b)"

Page 24, lines 17 - 19:

Delete all material and insert:

"\* **Sec. 10.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c)."

Senator Hoffman moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 3.  
Objections were heard.

Senator Rauscher offered the following amendment to Amendment No. 3:

Page 4, lines 20 - 22:

Delete all material.

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Senator Rauscher moved and asked unanimous consent to adopt the amendment to Amendment No. 3. Senator Stedman objected.

Senator Rauscher moved and asked unanimous consent to withdraw the amendment to Amendment No. 3. Without objection, the amendment to Amendment No. 3 was withdrawn.

There being no further objection, Amendment No. 3 was adopted.

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 289(FIN) am S was automatically in third reading.

The question being: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 289(FIN) am S "An Act making supplemental 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" pass the Senate?"  
The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 289(FIN) am S  
Third Reading - Final Passage  
BRF Section(s) - Effective Date(s)

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

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

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 289(FIN) am S passed the Senate.

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

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

SCS CSHB 289(FIN) am S  
Adopt Budget Reserve Fund Section(s)?

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

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

and so, the constitutional budget reserve fund section was adopted.

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.

### **Reconsideration of House Bills**

#### **HB 289**

Senator Hoffman gave notice of reconsideration on SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 289(FIN) am S and moved and asked unanimous consent it be taken up. Without objection, it was so ordered and the bill was before the Senate on reconsideration.

The question to be reconsidered: "Shall SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 289(FIN) am S "An Act making supplemental 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" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SCS CSHB 289(FIN) am S  
Third Reading - On Reconsideration  
BRF Section(s) - Effective Date(s)

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

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

and so, SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 289(FIN) am S passed the Senate on reconsideration.

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

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

SCS CSHB 289(FIN) am S  
Adopt Budget Reserve Fund Section(s)?

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

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

and so, the constitutional budget reserve fund section was adopted.

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the vote on reconsideration 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.

**Citations**

Honoring – North Pole High School Hockey Team 2026 Division II  
State Champions

Representative(s) Prax  
Senator(s) Kawasaki, Myers

Honoring – Pete Daley  
Representative(s) Prax  
Senator(s) Cronk, Myers

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

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

**Special Order of Business**

Honoring – Education and Sharing Day 2026  
Representative(s) Underwood

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the citation be adopted. Without objection, the citation was adopted and referred to the Secretary for transmittal.

**Unfinished Business**

Senator Kaufman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from 1:00 p.m. plane time, March 13 through 1:00 p.m. plane time, March 15. Without objection, Senator Kaufman was excused.

Senator Myers moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from March 15 through March 21. Without objection, Senator Myers was excused.

**SB 129**

Senator Bjorkman, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent SENATE BILL NO. 129 "An Act establishing a 30-day deadline for the payment of contracts under the State Procurement Code;

establishing deadlines for the payment of grants, contracts, and reimbursement agreements to nonprofit organizations, municipalities, and Alaska Native organizations; relating to payment of grants to named recipients that are not municipalities; and providing for an effective date" be waived from the Labor and Commerce Committee. Without objection, the bill was waived from the Labor and Commerce Committee.

Senator Bjorkman moved and asked unanimous consent to add a Finance Committee referral to the bill. Without objection, the bill was referred to the Finance Committee.

### **HB 289**

President Stevens stated in accordance with Uniform Rule 43(b), Alaska State Legislature Uniform Rules, engrossment may be waived on SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 289(FIN) am S.

### **Announcements**

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

### **Engrossment**

### **HB 289**

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 289(FIN) am S "An Act making supplemental 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" was engrossed, signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House for consideration.

### **Adjournment**

Senator Giessel moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment until 10:30 a.m., March 13, 2026. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 12:44 p.m.

Liz Clark  
Secretary of the Senate

**Announcements**

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**STANDING COMMITTEES**

+ indicates teleconference

= indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

**EDUCATION**

<b>Mar 11</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Davis 106</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
	-- Please Note Time & Location Change --		
+	Meeting jointly with the House Education Committee		
	Presentation: 2026 State Board of Education		
	Report to the Alaska Legislature by		
	Deena Bishop, Commissioner, Alaska Department		
	of Education and Early Development		
	Sally Stockhausen, Chair, State Board of		
	Education and Early Development		
	Members of the Alaska Board of Education and		
	Early Development		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
	**Streamed live on AKL.tv**		
<b>Mar 11</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
	-- MEETING CANCELED --		
	-- Testimony <Invitation Only> --		
+	SENATE BILL: PUBLIC EDUCATION FUNDING AND		
	POLICY		
	<Pending Introduction & Referral>		
	Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled		
	**Streamed live on AKL.tv**		
<b>Mar 13</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		
<b>Mar 16</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Beltz 105 (tsbldg)</b>	<b>3:30 PM</b>
	No Meeting Scheduled		

**EDUCATION (continued)**

**Mar 18      Wednesday                      Beltz 105 (tsbldg)                      3:30 PM**

- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
 +            Consideration of Governor's Appointees: Board of Education  
                  and Early Development, Pamela Dupras  
                  Consideration of Governor's Appointees:  
                  Professional Teaching Practices Commission, Michael Robbins  
                  SENATE BILL: PUBLIC EDUCATION FUNDING POLICY  
                  <Pending Introduction & Referral>  
                  Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
                  \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**Mar 20      Friday                                      Beltz 105 (tsbldg)                      3:30 PM**

- +    SB 232    PERSONAL COLLECTION OF CERTAIN FOSSILS  
                  -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
 +    SB 228    PUBLIC SCHOOLS; OPIOID AWARENESS PROGRAM  
                  -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
 +=   SB 187    SCHOOL NUTRITION/MEAL: PROHIBIT FOOD DYES  
                  Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
                  \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

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**FINANCE**

**Mar 11      Wednesday                      Senate Finance 532                      9:00 AM**

- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
 +=   HB 78    RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; DEFINED BENEFIT OPT.  
                  Department of Administration, Division of  
                  Retirement and Benefits,  
                  Legislative Finance Division  
                  Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
                  \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**Mar 11      Wednesday                      Senate Finance 532                      1:30 PM**

- Please Note Time Change --  
 +            State IT - Needs, Challenges and Solutions  
                  Office of Information Technology  
                  Office of Management and Budget  
                  Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:  
 +=   HB 78    RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; DEFINED BENEFIT OPT.  
                  Department of Administration  
                  Division of Retirement and Benefits  
                  Legislative Finance Division  
                  \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

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**FINANCE (continued)**

- Mar 12 Thursday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**  
 + University of Alaska FY 27 Budget Request  
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*
- Mar 12 Thursday Senate Finance 532 1:30 PM**  
 -- Please Note Time Change --  
 + SB 274 PERMANENT FUND POMV AVAILABLE FOR APPROP  
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:  
 += HB 78 RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; DEFINED BENEFIT OPT.  
 Legislative Finance Division  
 -- Invited Testimony --  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*
- Mar 13 Friday Senate Finance 532 9:00 AM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled
- Mar 13 Friday Senate Finance 532 1:30 PM**  
 -- Please Note Time Change --  
 No Meeting Scheduled

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**HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES**

- Mar 12 Thursday Davis 106 3:30 PM**  
 -- Please Note Location Change --  
 + Presentation: Rural Health Transformation Program  
 A National Perspective  
 Kathryn Costanza, National Conference of State Legislatures  
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

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**JUDICIARY**

- Mar 11 Wednesday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
 -- Please Note Time Change --  
 + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled:  
 += SB 237 DATA SHARING; SOCIAL SECURITY  
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
 += SB 233 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*
- Mar 13 Friday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
 No Meeting Scheduled



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STATE AFFAIRS

**Mar 12 Thursday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 3:30 PM**  
 + SB 219 PFAS USE & REMEDIATION, WATER TESTING  
 -- Invited & Public Testimony --  
 += SB 162 SPECIE AS LEGAL TENDER  
 -- Public Testimony --  
 Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

TRANSPORTATION

**Mar 12 Thursday Butrovich 205 1:30 PM**  
 + Presentation: De-icing Roads with Graphite  
 Nanoplatelets by Hannah Leatherman, Seward High School  
 Presentation: DOT&PF Winter Road  
 Maintenance Update (Cont. From Jan 27) by  
 Alaska Department of Transportation & Public  
 Facilities  
 \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEES

ADMINISTRATION

**Mar 16 Monday Senate Finance 532 5:15 PM**  
 + Administration Subcommittee

CORRECTIONS

**Mar 11 Wednesday Beltz 105 (tsbldg) 7:30 AM**  
 + Department of Corrections - Budget Overview

EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENT

**Mar 11 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 5:15 PM**  
 + Education & Early Development Subcommittee

**Mar 18 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 5:15 PM**  
 + Education & Early Development Subcommittee

**Mar 25 Wednesday Senate Finance 532 5:15 PM**  
 + Education & Early Development Subcommittee

**FAMILY & COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**Mar 13**      **Friday**                      **Senate Finance 532**              **7:30 AM**  
 +              Overview: Update on FY26 Budget Items and  
                  Overview of FY27 Budget Request  
                  -- Teleconference <Listen Only> --  
                  \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

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**FISH & GAME**

**Mar 12**      **Thursday**                      **Senate Finance 532**              **8:00 AM**  
 +              Budget Overview

**Apr 15**      **Wednesday**                      **Senate Finance 532**              **8:00 AM**  
 +              Budget Close Out

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**LABOR & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

**Mar 19**      **Thursday**                      **Beltz 105 (tsbldg)**              **5:15 PM**  
 +              Overview: Workers' Compensation by Charlie Collins, Director  
                  Overview: Unemployment Insurance Fund by Paloma Harbour  
                  \*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

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**REVENUE**

**Mar 12**      **Thursday**                      **Senate Finance 532**              **5:15 PM**  
 +              -- MEETING CANCELED --  
                  Revenue Subcommittee

**Mar 19**      **Thursday**                      **Senate Finance 532**              **5:15 PM**  
 +              Revenue Subcommittee

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**TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC FACILITIES**

**Mar 18**      **Wednesday**                      **Senate Finance 532**              **7:30 AM**  
 +              FY27 Request, FY26 Update, & Major Issues

**Mar 25**      **Wednesday**                      **Senate Finance 532**              **7:30 AM**  
 +              Highways & State Equipment Fleet

**Apr 01**      **Wednesday**                      **Senate Finance 532**              **7:30 AM**  
 +              Airports & DFS

**Apr 08**      **Wednesday**                      **Senate Finance 532**              **7:30 AM**  
 +              AMHS

**Apr 15**      **Wednesday**                      **Senate Finance 532**              **7:30 AM**  
 +              Budget Close Out

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UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA

**Mar 12**      **Thursday**                      **Senate Finance 532**                      **9:00 AM**  
+                      University of Alaska Subcommittee

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JOINT COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET & AUDIT

**Mar 18**      **Wednesday**                      **Adams 519**                      **5:15 PM**  
+                      -- Teleconference Listen Only --  
I. Call to Order  
II. Approval of the Agenda  
III. Approval of Minutes  
a. February 11th, 2026, Meeting Minutes  
IV. Sanctioning of Charitable Events  
a. Sham Jam 2026 SEAGLA Fundraiser  
b. Legislative Skits Big Brothers/Big Sisters/AWARE Fundraiser  
V. Committee Business  
a. Fairbanks LIO Lease Extension  
VI. Executive Session  
a. ITB 686--Capitol Carpet Removal and Installation  
\*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

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TASK FORCE ON EDUCATION FUNDING

**Mar 16**      **Monday**                      **Davis 106**                      **3:30 PM**  
+                      -- Testimony <Invitation Only> --  
Presentation: Pupil Transportation Funding by Alaska Department of Education and Early Development  
Presentation: Legislative Funding for Student Transportation by Conor Bell, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Finance Division  
-- Invited Testimony --  
Michael Robbins, Superintendent, Bristol Bay Borough School District  
Presentation: Before and After School Programs by Thomas Azzarella, Executive Director, Alaska Afterschool Network  
\*\*Streamed live on AKL.tv\*\*

**OTHER MEETINGS****JOINT SESSION**

<b>Mar 31</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>House Chamber</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>
+	Annual Address by Lisa Murkowski, U.S. Senator		

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**MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS**

<b>Mar 25</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
	Lunch & Learn Presentation: Presentation: Alaska Comprehensive Forensic Training Academy Dr. Angelia Trujillo Sponsored by Senator Tobin		

<b>Mar 27</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Butrovich 205</b>	<b>12:01 PM</b>
	Lunch & Learn Presentation: The Importance of Energy Data Diane Hirshberg Jeremy Kasper Leasi Vanessa Lee Raymond UAA's Institute of Social and Economic Research and UAF's Alaska Center for Energy and Power Sponsored by Senator Giessel		

<b>Apr 08</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Davis 106</b>	<b>12:00 PM</b>
	Lunch & Learn Presentation: Arctic Winter Games 2026, Team Alaska Updates, Photos, Achievements on Alaska's Performance at Arctic Winter Games 2026 Nicole Morton-Johnson, President Sponsored by Senator Cronk		