

# City of Sand Point Council Meeting



**Workshop: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 – 2:00 p.m.**

**Meeting: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.**

# CALL TO ORDER

# ROLL CALL

# CITY OF SAND POINT

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## MAYOR

Mayor James Smith - Office Exp. 2023

## COUNCIL MEMBERS

Danny Cumberlidge	Seat A - Exp. 2022
Allan Starnes	Seat B - Exp. 2023
Shirley Brown	Seat C - Exp. 2022
Jack Foster Jr.	Seat D - Exp. 2023
Marita Gundersen	Seat E - Exp. 2024
Arlene Gundersen	Seat F - Exp. 2024

## SAND POINT CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA CITY CHAMBERS

**Regular Meeting**

**March 8, 2022 7:00 pm**

### CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#### CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Minutes: Minutes of Regular Meeting February 08, 2022

#### REPORTS:

1. Finance Officer
2. Administrator
3. Police Chief
4. EMS Director
5. Fire Chief
6. Public Works Director
7. Water / Sewer Supervisor
8. Harbor Master
9. Student Representative

#### HEARINGS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. Ordinance 2022-01: Address Mapping System – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

#### OLD BUSINESS:

#### NEW BUSINESS

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS COUNCIL COMMENTS ADJOURNMENT

*Note: Due to concerns about the COVID-19 virus and to follow best practices in order to prevent the spread of the virus, the meeting will also be held telephonically. Please call 1-800-315-6338 and use the passcode 26961 followed by the # key.*

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The regular meeting of the Sand Point City Council was held Tuesday, February 8, 2022 in the City Chambers and telephonically. Mayor James Smith called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

James Smith	Mayor	Present
Danny Cumberlidge	Seat A	Present via telephonically
Allan Starnes	Seat B	Present via telephonically
Shirley Brown	Seat C	Present
Jack Foster Jr.	Seat D	Absent
Marita Gundersen	Seat E	Present via telephonically
Arlene Gundersen	Seat F	Present

A quorum was established.

**Staff in attendance:**

- Jordan Keeler, Administrator
- Kurtis Gundersen, Finance Officer
- Dave Anderson, Police Chief
- Julius Karlsen, Public Works Director
- Dylan Jacobsen, Water & Sewer Supervisor
- Allen Kuchenoff Jr., Harbor Master
- Carmen Holmberg, EMS Director
- Robert Gdadotti, Fire Chief

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Mayor James Smith requested a motion to approve the agenda, with addition of New Item of SWAMC travel and corrections.

MOTION: Councilmember Marita Gundersen made a motion to approve the agenda.

SECOND: Councilmember Arlene Gundersen seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mayor James Smith requested a motion to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION: Councilmember Arlene Gundersen made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2022, as amended.

SECOND: Councilmember Marita Gundersen seconded the motion.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

**REPORTS:**

Finance Officer – Kurtis Gundersen

Finance Officer Kurtis Gundersen reported for the month of December 2021 Raw Fish Tax was \$480.71 and Sales Tax was \$83,784.18.

Councilmember Arlene Gundersen asked Finance Office Gundersen if he had an answer on a line and he asked if she could stop by tomorrow to explain and she agreed.

Administrator – Jordan Keeler

Administrator Keeler reported the current the engineers and architects would be out this weekend to survey the building. Worked with Trident and Dylan on the possibility of taking over water production for their bunkhouses and production line. Stated that he submitted a CAPSIS project for funding for a new incinerator. He stated he asked EAT for funding for the drug task force position and that it is externally funded and he should have an answer before the next week. The travel lift is slated to ship on April 5, 2022 and stated that there will be a downtime when the old one is being dismantled and new one is constructed, the City needs to send out a notice that they cannot move boats at that time. Administrator Keeler said shipping has gone up in price and the options are to pay \$15,000 to get it shipped on time or wait until the fall. Administrator Keeler asked for a motion to approve the additional cost. Councilperson Brown asked if polling as a good way do it. Administrator Keeler polled all the council and they approved to pay the extra \$15,000 for the Travelift shipping.

Administrator Keeler stated that the dam/reservoir inspection had revealed damage from seismic activity and the insurance and DHS + EM would not assist. He did state that the Aleutians East Borough admin thought it would be an allowable use of funds for the repair. Administrator Keeler stated that the airline in his report was Aleutian Airways. Administrator Keeler, when asked by Councilperson Gundersen about the recommendations, stated that they were being followed.

Councilperson Jack Foster Jr. stated he is supportive of challenging the census figures.

Police Chief – David Anderson

Chief Andersen reported there was statistical information included in the report. He stated that tomorrow a new Police Officer Dwayne Korthuis-Smith will join the department and gave a background on him. He also pointed out the AAIT report from Investigator Lowery's report and that Merrill Field is an active focus.

EMS Director– Carmen Holmberg

EMS Chief Carmen Holmberg gave her report for the month of January 2022 and indicated they received 8 new radios.

Fire Chief – Robert Gaddotti

Fire Chief Robert Gadotti introduced himself, is looking forward to working with EMS Director Holmberg and volunteers.

Councilperson Brown welcomed Fire Chief Gadotti as the new Fire Chief.

Public Works Director – Julius Karlsen

Public Works Director Karlsen said he had been absent most of the month. In his absence, John Jacobsen mainly single-handedly continued road maintenance and taking care of shop. He read the report and stated that they were low on sand.

Councilperson A. Gundersen asked where does Public Works get sand from. Public Works Director Karlsen replied that they send over two dump trucks each summer to Cold Bay.

Water & Sewer Supervisor – Dylan Jacobsen

Water & Sewer Supervisor Dylan Jacobsen reported that he passed his Water Distribution Level 2 test and still needs some field time for certification. He gave a summary of his report including taking over production for Trident.

Councilperson A. Gundersen congratulated Water & Sewer Supervisor Jacobsen on his test and Councilperson Starnes also congratulated him.

Harbor Master – Allen Kuchenoff Jr.

Harbor Master Allen Kuchenoff Jr. recapped his report including launching boats, cleaning up the wall, equipment maintenance, oil bin and got batteries ready to ship out.

Councilperson A. Gundersen asked about haul out fees. Finance Officer Gundersen asked Harbor Master Kuchenoff if he had any bills to send out and he stated that he did and some were overdue to go out.

Student Representative – Ashton Gundersen

Student Representative Gundersen not in attendance.

**HEARINGS, ORDINANCES, AND RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Ordinance 2022-01: Address Mapping System

Administrator Keeler stated the addressing system would help with 9/11 consolidation, records keeping and Real ID. He stated that billing and mail wouldn't change.

Councilperson A. Gundersen expressed concern on the fine amounts and replacements. Councilperson Brown noted that this was the first reading the fines could be changed before adopting. Councilperson Starnes was concerned about the color and suggested a tiered fine system for violators. Chief Anderson stated that some examples were already up.

MOTION: Councilmember Marita Gundersen made a motion to put Ordinance 2022-01 Address Mapping System on the floor for the 1<sup>st</sup> reading.

SECOND: Councilmember Shirley Brown seconded the motion.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Resolution 22-01: Remote Sales Tax ordinance.

Administrator Keeler asked council to take a look at how other communities have exemptions for ideas on how it could be done.

No action was taken and tabled until a further date.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. 2022 SWAMC

Administrator Keeler stated the City was a member of the Southwest Alaska Municipal Conference (SWAMC) and explained they have an annual conference as well as the constituent members. He stated that legislators would be there depending on schedule and he asked for City Council members to attend and noted that he and the Mayor would be in attendance. Mayor Smith asked for interest and Administrator Keeler noted that officials and councils from other areas would be there as well.

Councilpersons indicated they would have to check their schedules but was interested in going.

2. 2022 Board of Fish Meeting

Mr. Keeler stated that City had contributed to the Area M effort including travel to the 2019 cycle and noted the effectiveness of in-person testimony and that the City was contributing again including to the war room. He said this was an extremely important meeting and asked for volunteers. Administrator Keeler deferred to Councilperson on the exact dates of the meeting and he said it would start March 23, 2022 but the times for testimony was not set yet. There was a discussion of the agenda contents for the meeting. Mayor Smith asked for volunteers to attend.

3. FY23 AEB Community Budget Request

Administrator Keeler explained the program and what the City had requested in the past and what type of projects the Borough was looking to fund. He stated that he spoke with the Borough Administrator and she was open to funding the dam repair as part of this request. Council gave direction to Administrator Keeler to apply for funding for the dam.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Administrator Keeler thanked the EMS volunteers for their efforts as well as staff working through unforeseen shortages.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilperson Brown echoed Administrator Keeler and acknowledged the hard work and positive feedback she sees from community members.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: Councilperson A. Gundersen made a motion to adjourn.

SECOND: Councilperson Shirley Brown seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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James Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Shannon Sommer, City Clerk

# REPORTS

# FINANCE OFFICER

No report given at this time.

**TO:** Mayor Smith  
City Council Members

**FROM:** Jordan Keeler  
City Administrator

**DATE:** March 3, 2022

**SUBJ:** Monthly Report for March 2022



Here is a summary of items since our February 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

- The engineers and architects visited Sand Point on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of February to assess and inspect the City building for water infiltration and other structural issues.
- Continued communication with Trident and Dylan on the feasibility of the City becoming their sole water provider,
- The City was awarded \$404,000 from the State's Local Government Lost Revenue program. I applied for this back in November and was able to quantify the extent of the economic impact due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We did not get the full loss reimbursed but still came out pretty well compared to most communities.
- Attended the winter AML meeting in Juneau as well as the board meeting on the last day of the event. I did have a chance to meet with our lobbyist and then visit with Representative Edgmon and Senator Hoffman to pitch our CAPSIS request for a new incinerator as well as push for full funding for boat harbors grant program that the AEB submitted for CAPSIS. I also let them know of the issue with the reservoir.
- Reached out to ANTHC for guidance on the reservoir and they think they will be able to assist. Both he and the State's dam safety supervisor reviewed the report and said it's not good, but certainly not as bad as I first thought. He tentatively will be in town in April to review it and the water system as a whole
- The City was allotted just over \$11,000 of the 2018 Gulf of Alaska Pacific Cod and I filled out the paperwork to get the funds which must be used in support of the cod industry.
- I should have an update on the funding request for EAT to support the AAIT drug task force position.
- Dug up some old documents for the single federal audit that was triggered by the CARES ACT funding.
- Attended SWAMC with the Mayor



# SAND POINT POLICE DEPARTMENT

Post Office Box 423  
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## MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Jim Smith, Mayor, City of Sand Point  
Mr. Jordan Keeler, City Administrator, City of Sand Point  
Mr. Danny Cumberlidge, City Councilperson, City of Sand Point  
Mr. Allan Starnes, City Councilperson, City of Sand Point  
Ms. Shirley Brown, City Councilperson, City of Sand Point  
Mr. Jack Foster Jr, City Councilperson, City of Sand Point  
Ms. Marita Gundersen, City Councilperson, City of Sand Point  
Ms. Arlene Gundersen, City Councilperson, City of Sand Point

From: Chief David E. Anderson

Date: February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

Ref: Police Department's Monthly Report for February

### Police Department

- Dave Anderson, Chief of Police
- Curt Boyle, Sergeant
- Dwayne Korthuis-Smith, Police Officer
- Vacant Position, Police Officer (Currently searching)
- Richard Lowery, Investigator Anchorage Airport Interdiction Team.

#### **Administrative Assistant**

- Vacant, Accepting applications from qualified individuals.

#### **Dispatchers**

- Anne Christine Nielsen, 911 Dispatcher
- Alfred 'Jesse' Pesterkoff, 911 Dispatcher

## **Police Activity**

February 2022

### **1 person was jailed**

Assault 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> degree

### **29 calls to 911**

1 misdial/pocket dial  
4 MOC request – told to call nurse hotline per clinic  
2 follow up calls regarding issue with nurse hotline  
2 MOC request, seen for immediate issue  
1 Ambulance needed  
2 report of burglary  
1 Drunken person assist, officer gave ride to residence  
1 Noise complaint  
1 DV Assault  
1 family disturbance with child  
1 Agency assist  
1 Trespass  
1 Disturbance  
5 911 hang ups  
1 theft report  
1 welfare check  
2 Suspicious

### **Activity/Calls for service not on 911 line**

3 domestic verbal only  
1 theft  
1 Motorist assist  
1 Burglary  
1 REDDI report  
1 Found property  
1 Drug information  
1 Dogs at large  
3 Welfare checks  
1 violation of conditions of release  
1 agency assist  
2 disturbances

### **Anchorage Airport Interdiction Team**

**Sand Point  
Police Department**

**M E M O R A N D U M**

**TO:** Chief Anderson  
**FROM:** TFO Richard Lowery  
**DATE:** February 22, 2022  
**SUBJECT:** February 2022 – ANC Airport Interdiction Team (AAIT) Supplement

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**Major Incidents:**

TFO Richard Lowery is currently investigating several long-term felony drug cases.

**New Cases:**

**AK22006238**

On 01/20/2022 AAIT seized 19.5 liters of distilled spirits from a cargo facility at the Anchorage International Airport.

**AK22006569**

On 01/21/2022 AAIT seized 36.6 grams of cocaine from a cargo facility at the Anchorage International Airport.

**AK22007793**

On 01/25/2022 AAIT seized 18 liters of distilled spirits from a cargo facility at the Anchorage International Airport.

**AK22007847**

On 01/25/2022 AAIT seized 45 liters of distilled spirits from a cargo facility at the Anchorage International Airport.

**AK22008102**

On 01/26/2022 AAIT seized approximately 1 gram of methamphetamine and 1 gram of amphetamine from a passenger at the Anchorage International Airport.

**AK22008222**

On 01/26/2022 AAIT seized approximately 1.5 grams of heroin from cargo at the Anchorage International Airport.

**AK22010461**

On 02/02/2022 AAIT seized 1000 grams of cocaine from a cargo facility at the Anchorage International Airport.

**AK22010563**

On 02/02/2022 AAIT seized 19.5 liters of distilled spirits from a passenger at the Anchorage International Airport.

**AK22010937**

On 02/02/2022 AAIT seized 107 grams of marijuana from cargo at the Merrill Field Airport.

**AK22012189**

On 02/04/2022 AAIT seized 9 liters of distilled spirits from cargo at the Merrill Field Airport.

**K9 Deployments:**

None

**Total Seizures:**

98 – 750ml bottles distilled spirits  
Approximately 107 grams of marijuana  
Approximately 1 gram of methamphetamine  
Approximately 1 gram of amphetamine  
Approximately 1036.6 grams of cocaine

**Training:**

TFO Lowery is currently on the list to attend undercover surveillance in March.

**City of Sand Point  
Police Department**

**M E M O R A N D U M**

**TO:** Jordan Keeler  
**FROM:** TFO Investigator Lowery  
**DATE:** March 1, 2022  
**SUBJECT:** Drug activity and monetary estimates for 01/2021 – 02/2022

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Mr. Keeler,

This memorandum contains information pertinent to the Eastern Aleutians Borough funded Task Force Officer position. It will contain exact figures of drug/ narcotic quantities seized from the Anchorage International Airport, Merrill Field, and the City of Anchorage from January 2021 – February 2022. All drugs that have been seized in these locations have a known nexus to the Aleutian Chain. The actual dollar amount for illegal drugs and narcotics fluctuates based on the supply available at any given time. The dollar amounts will be posted below based on the current intelligence as of 03/01/2022.

**Methamphetamines by Gram:**

- High value \$2,000
- Average value \$1,500
- Low value \$ 1,000

**Heroin by Gram:**

- High value \$3,000
- Average value \$2,000
- Low value \$1,500

**Cocaine by Gram:**

- High value \$3,000
- Average Value \$2,500
- Low value: \$2,000

**Fentanyl by dose:**

- High value: \$100
- Average value \$75
- Low value \$50

**Marijuana by Gram:**

- High Value \$20
- Average Value \$15
- Low value \$10

Below is the total quantity of above listed drugs seized. Again, weights will be accurate, and prices are based on the most current intelligence. Due to the ongoing nature of drug investigations, I will not be able to provide specifics of locations or persons involved. Listed are the drugs, their quantities, and estimated street values.

**Total Seizures:**

- **Methamphetamine:**
  - 19,106g
  - \$28,659,000
- **Heroin:**
  - 11,179g
  - \$22,358,000
- **Cocaine:**
  - 5,459g
  - \$13,647,500
- **Fentanyl:**
  - 1,372 pills
  - \$102,900
- Marijuana:
  - 11,305
  - \$169,575
- **Total U.S. Currency seized:**
  - \$818,298

- **Total Value of Drugs/ Narcotics seized:**  
- \$64,936,975

The Anchorage Airport Interdiction Team won the International Narcotics Award in 2021 for being the top performing Drug Interdiction Unit throughout the globe. The funding for this position allows for the Eastern Aleutians Borough funded Task Force Officer to focus directly on the Aleutian Chain while further providing working partnerships with both State and Federal support to help combat drug trafficking to the Eastern Aleutians Borough through both tangible and intangible resources. Participation in joint federal operations also provides additional funding through drug money forfeiture programs that can be utilized by the department for funding of equipment and other necessary items.

Respectfully,

Richard Lowery  
TFO Investigator Lowery

# February 2022 EMS Director Report

- Rescue 1 received two calls.
- 0 tone outs.
- 2 medevacs.

Carmen Holmberg  
EMS Director  
EMS office  
Covid  
Event Planning

# **February 2022 Fire Chief Report**

- 1 call Feb 25th. Non-fire.
- Lower tenants smoke detector went off.  
Responded to a pan left on the stove. All clear  
45 minutes from dispatch call.

Robert Gadotti  
Fire Chief

# City of Sand Point Public Works Department

## Monthly Report February 2022

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### Shop

- Plow snow and slush
- Grade Harbor road and City Dock road
- Patched potholes on main road
- Replaced wiper motor Cat 140H
- Repaired Tire chains
- Sand Roads
- Welded cracks on bobcat bucket
- Ordered new bobcat bucket
- Ditched Balboa Ct.
- Maintain shop used oil heaters
- Fill waste oil burners/ haul drums of waste oil
- Fuel buildings/ fill truck
- Found water shutoff in Balboa Ct.
- Replaced two sensors on Trash truck
- Replaced Roll Brush on Sweeper
- Worked on soft spots in roads
- Fixed hydraulic leak on Volvo loader
- New bearings and seals in swing drive of Hitachi 200 excavator
- Ordered new tire changing machine for the shop

# **Robert E. Galovin Small Boat Harbor February 2022 Report**

- Hauled and launched boats.
- Took oil to the Public Works Building.
- Burned waste oil.
- Serviced and maintained equipment
- Received lumber to repair the East wall.
  - Currently making Bilge blocks and wedges.

# STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

# HEARINGS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE 2022-01:  
ADDRESS MAPPING  
SYSTEM – 2<sup>ND</sup> READING

# Memo

**To:** Mayor Smith  
**From:** Jordan Keeler, Administrator  
**cc:** City Council  
**Date:** February 3, 2022  
**Re:** Ordinance 2022-02 – Establishing an Addressing System

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The proposed resolution for Council’s consideration will establish a uniform addressing system for each property located within the City. This proposal has been discussed for well over a year now and the language needed to adopt the addressing system is contained within the language of the proposed ordinance. The Sand Point Police Department originally proposed the addressing system as part of a plan to shift 911 dispatching to an outside entity; however, that proved to be technologically unfeasible due to a lack of reliable telecom service to the City. Regardless, moving forward with this provides three key benefits:

1. **Futureproofing.** The State is moving towards a consolidating dispatch service for smaller communities and the Troopers. When this becomes a reality, both politically and technologically, the City will be ready to participate. By having fully trained dispatchers with access recorded lines, our residents will be able to receive a higher level of service than the City can currently offer. This is not to disparage our current dispatchers, but the level of technology at a consolidated call center is something the City cannot afford or operate.
2. **Records Management:** All incidents are logged by the Police Department in a statewide database managed by the State. By having official addresses, reports can meet state standards and provide future police officers uniform files to reference.
3. **REAL ID:** The proposed addressing system will be adopted by the United States Postal Service and residents can use the new address as their physical address to meet the looming REAL ID requirements on driver licenses, TWIC cards and other sundry federal IDs.

It is important to note that adopting a street address system does not change anyone's existing mailing address for bills like credit cards or utility bills. Nor does it have any impact on mortgage documents; property deeds use lot and block numbers.

Given the above, I ask the Council to adopt Ordinance 2022-02.

# City of Sand Point



## ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 12 OF THE SAND POINT MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH AN ADDRESSING SYSTEM AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS AND FOR TAMPERING WITH POSTED ADDRESS NUMBERS AND AMENDING THE MINOR OFFENSE FINE SCHEDULE.**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAND POINT:**

**Section 1. Legislative Findings.** A uniform system of parcel identification numbers will improve the city 911 communication system and will provide a uniform city-wide addressing system with respect to street or house numbers assigned to all residences and principal buildings and businesses within the city of Sand Point. This will assist fire and rescue companies, law enforcement agencies, the United States Postal Service, parcel delivery companies, utility companies, tax appraisal, public works, planning and the general public in the timely and efficient provision of services to residents and businesses in the City.

**Section 2. Classification.** This is a Code ordinance.

**Section 3. Amendment of Title 12** Title 12 of the Sand Point Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding a new chapter 7 titled ASSIGNED STREET ADDRESSES to read as follows:

### **12.70.010 ASSIGNED ADDRESSES.**

The City Clerk's Office shall maintain maps of assigned 911 address numbers for each building or improved parcel in the city. The maps shall be updated as necessary, in consultation with the Chief of Police. The City Clerk or designee, upon request, will make the maps available for inspection and will provide 911 address numbers based on property descriptions.

Introduction and 1<sup>st</sup> Reading      February 8, 2022  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Adoption      March 8, 2022

### **12.70.020 DISPLAY REQUIRED.**

Every improved parcel or location within the city shall display its assigned 911 address number so that it is visible from the public roadway. Mobile home parks and apartment complexes, including duplex dwelling structures, shall also be required to have each individual pad, lot number or apartment number displayed in a readily visible manner and in compliance with the requirements of this chapter. Such lot, pad or apartment numbers shall be in sequence unless directional signs are provided for numbers not in sequence.

### **12.70.030 METHOD OF DISPLAY.**

Assigned 911 address numbers may be fixed to the house, apartment, business or other location itself, provided that such house, apartment, business or other location is not more than 60 feet from the centerline of the roadway or the road or street in front of such location, and the number must be readily visible from the street or road by persons traveling along the street or road in each direction. 911 address numbers may also be placed on mailboxes or signs located on the premises in front of the location, as long as the mailboxes or signs are on the same side of the road as the house, apartment, business or other building or location. If the addresses or numbers are displayed on signs, such signs must be of a durable type, and must be located not more than 60 feet from the centerline of the street or road in front of the property. The numbers on such signs shall be readily visible from the street by persons traveling along the street in each direction. If not on signs or mailboxes, the address must be located within ten feet of the access from the public road. If the road in front of the location is unpaved, said sign should be located not more than 45 feet from the edge of the road nearest the location.

If the house, apartment, business or other building or location to be numbered is more than 60 feet from the centerline of the street or roadway in front of the property, or if for any reason a street address number affixed to the location would not be readily visible from the street or roadway by persons traveling along the street or roadway in each direction, then the 911 address numbers shall be displayed on a sign or mailbox on the premises next to the public roadway in front of the structure, and comply with the requirements of this section.

### **12.70.040 NUMBER REQUIREMENTS**

Assigned 911 address numbers or characters shall be a minimum of three inches in height and 1 1/2 inches in width. The address numbers or characters shall be reflective white on a contrasting background of blue so as to be clearly visible, uniform and unmistakable.

**12.70.050 MAINTENANCE OF NUMBERS.**

It shall be the responsibility of each property owner to properly maintain their address numbers or sign. Tall grass or bushes are to be kept cut or trimmed so as not to obstruct address signs. Faded or missing numbers or characters shall be replaced so the location may be located easily at all times by emergency personnel.

**12.70.060 DUTY OF OWNER OR CUSTODIAN.**

The obligation of complying with the provisions of this article shall be upon both the owner and custodian of the property. Custodian, as that term is used in this section, shall be construed broadly and includes any person or entity exercising lawful control or possession of a property.

Failure to comply shall constitute a violation of this chapter. Upon such violation, notice shall be given to the owner or custodian of the property, or his agent, specifying the nature of such violation, and requiring that such violation be remedied and brought into compliance within 30 days of the notice.

**12.70.070 REMOVAL OR DAMAGE OF SIGNS OR NUMBERS.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to remove, damage, alter or deface any posted address sign or numbers.

**12.70.080 PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT**

Any person violating any provision of this chapter shall be guilty of a minor offense punishable by a fine as provided in §[1.10.085](#), or if no fine is there established, a fine not to exceed \$500.

**Section 4. Amendment of Section 1.10.085.** The Minor Offense Fine Schedule in Section 1.10.085 is hereby amended to include the following offenses. New entries shall be added to the existing fine schedule in chronological order by subsection number.

Code Section	Offense Description	Fine Amount
12.70.020	Failure to display assigned number.	\$100
12.70.050	Failure to maintain address number or sign.	\$100
12.70.070	Removal or damage of address signs or numbers.	\$100

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This ordinance is effective May 1, 2022.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY A DULY CONSTITUTED QUORUM OF  
THE SAND POINT CITY COUNCIL THIS 8<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2022.**

ATTEST:

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James Smith, Mayor

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Shannon Sommer, City Clerk

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# OLD BUSINESS

# NEW BUSINESS

# PUBLIC COMMENTS

# COUNCIL COMMENTS

# ADJOURNMENT

**FYI**

# LEGISLATIVE REPORT #22-03

## Governor Reiterates FY 2023 Priorities

- **Governor Dunleavy highlighted the legislative priorities reflected in his [FY23 and supplemental budgets](#) at a press briefing on February 17th, including:**
  - **Public Safety:** Dunleavy proposes \$10 million of funding for the “People’s First Initiative” and the Office of Children’s Services and \$24 million for the restoration of previously eliminated Alaska State Troopers positions.
  - **Permanent Fund Dividend:** A \$1,250 spring dividend payment has been included in the supplemental budget to address the discrepancy between the 2021 PFD and Dunleavy’s proposed dividend, in addition to a \$2,500 PFD this fall based on Dunleavy’s “50/50” plan. **[Citing increased state revenues and inflation](#), Dunleavy argues that a higher PFD is sustainable and necessary for Alaskans.**
  - **Education:** The budget fully funds education, school debt reimbursement, certain scholarships, & rural school construction.
  - **Infrastructure:** Dunleavy proposes \$325 million in general obligation bonds for ports, airports, fire stations, and other projects, urging action before interest rates rise due to inflation ([HB 285](#) & [SB 166](#)). **Related information presented at the Alaska Municipal League and Alaska Conference of Mayors’ winter meeting can be found [here](#).**

## New PFD Formula Bills Considered in Senate Finance

- The Senate Finance Committee began hearings on [SB 199](#) & [SB 200](#)—two bills that propose changing the statutory Permanent Fund formula in different ways.
  - [SB 199](#) amends the PFD formula to pay \$1,100 in FY23, \$1,200 in FY24, \$1,300 in FY25, and \$1,300 per recipient, growing with inflation for FY26 and beyond. It also includes a provision that changes the formula to 50% of POMV beginning in FY26 **only if the legislature enacts revenue measures generating at least \$700 million by the end of 2025.**
  - [SB 200](#) amends the PFD formula to 25% of the POMV draw in FY23 and beyond, paying each qualified Alaskan about \$1,250 in 2022 and gradually increasing it to about \$1,600 by 2030, matching the version of [SB 26](#) passed in March of 2017. The remaining 75% would go to state services.
  - Legislative Finance presented a detailed analysis of the two bills. **The nonpartisan agency projects that [SB 200](#) would see budget surpluses over the next 10 years, while [SB 199](#) would eventually result in a 50/50 outcome only if the proposed \$700 million revenue measures were enacted.** The complete analysis can be found [here](#).
- On the House side, the Ways & Means Committee moved [HB 259](#) out of committee this week. This bill also proposes a 75%/25% split of the annual draw from Permanent Fund earnings, with 75% for government services and 25% for the dividend. **The bill also proposes use of 50% of the government service piece to fund K-12, which in time allows for annual increases to offset rising costs.**

## 2021 Redistricting Lawsuits Decision

- Alaska Superior Court Judge Thomas Matthews overturned two decisions made by the Alaska Redistricting Board to create two East Anchorage Senate seats linked with Eagle River, and to alter the boundaries of two House districts in Southeast Alaska. **Judge Matthews cited evidence of “secretive procedures evident in the Board’s consideration and deliberation . . . [and that] some sort of coalition or at least tacit understanding between Members Marcum, Simpson, and Binkley”** was at play.
- The board voted 3-2 to appeal the decision, falling along the same lines as the original vote on the Senate map, with the three Republican-appointed members voting to appeal. **The Alaska Supreme Court must respond with a decision by April 1st to provide candidates enough time to register for the 2022 elections by June 1, 2022.**

## House FY 2023 Operating Budget Progress

- The House is moving to close out all FY 2023 finance budget subcommittees by early next week. **The next step will be a public hearing by the full House Finance Committee, which is scheduled for March 3 & 4 (starting at 1:30 PM) and March 5 (starting at 11 AM). The specific schedule has been sent out by separate e-mail.** Final action by the committee should happen shortly after, followed by House floor consideration.
- The House Finance Education Budget Subcommittee completed its work on February 23. An amendment was adopted to **increase pre-K grants by \$2.5 million for FY 2023 and FY 2024.** Another proposal was approved recommending the House Finance Committee **add \$50 million of one-time money for K-12 in FY 2023** to be allocation using the Base Student Allocation formula.

## School Bond Debt Reimbursement Proposal

- Rep. Harriet Drummond (*D-Anchorage*) recently introduced **legislation to lift the moratorium on the state’s school bond debt reimbursement program and return the matching rates to more favorable terms for municipalities.** House Bill No. 350 removes the current moratorium on new debt as of July 1, 2022, and returns the match rates to 70% state/30% local for projects meeting DEED standards and 60%/40% for other projects. The first hearing is scheduled for March 4.

## Broadband Legislation

- **In anticipation of the additional money for broadband under the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), three new bills were recently introduced in the House.** House Bill No. 363 by Rep. Bryce Edgmon (*I-Dillingham*) **establishes the Office of Broadband in the Department of Commerce, Community, & Economic Development, the broadband parity adjustment fund, and the Statewide Broadband Advisory Board.**
- Rep. Chris Tuck (*D-Anchorage*) introduced two bills to address the state’s role related to broadband. House Bill No. 370 **adds broadband to the mission of the Alaska Energy Authority, classifies broadband as a public utility providing telecommunications service, and requires it to improve availability, affordability and performance of broadband in unserved/underserved areas.**
- House Bill No. 371 **creates the broadband cost equalization fund** and establishes criteria to calculate the amount of broadband cost equalization to be paid to providers. It also allows the Alaska Energy Authority to make grants to reduce the cost of services to customers.

## Summary of State Legislation



Below is a list of legislative measures of interest, divided into six main topics: fiscal measures, general municipal issues, education measures, fishery & resource issues, energy matters, and election & voting issues. House measures are described first, followed by Senate measures. Companion bills (measures in both bodies) are listed together, with priority given to bills sponsored by majority members. More information about these measures can be found at [Alaska Municipal League Legislative Tracker](#) or [Alaska State Legislature](#).

Check out what your legislators are doing. **New bills are in BLUE, change in status in RED, and passed bills in GREEN.**

### Fiscal Measures

Measure	Summary	Status
HJR 1 by Kreiss-Tomkins HJR 10 by Tuck SJR 1-Wielechowski	Proposes a constitutional amendment to guarantee Permanent Fund dividends using a Percent of Market Value (POMV) method.	HJR 1 pending House FIN HJR 10 pending House JUD SJR 1 pending Senate FIN
HB 9 by Hannan	Reimposes a state income tax and related changes. Exempts permanent fund dividends from proposed tax.	Pending State Affairs
HB 37 by Wool	Proposes an 80/20 distribution of permanent fund (PF) earnings between general fund and dividends. Reimposes a state income tax.	Passed State Affairs 2/24
HB 57 by Josephson	Clarifies the mechanics and language of the budget reserve fund payback provision in the Constitution and which funds are subject to the “reverse sweep.”	Pending Finance
HB 104 by Josephson	Doubles the motor fuel taxes on highway and marine motor fuels. Exemption included for commercial fishing.	Pending Finance
HB 141 by Spohnholz	Amends statutory spending limit by using average of past 3 fiscal years. Excludes school bond debt reimbursement payments and disaster spending.	Pending House Ways & Means
HB 165 by Kreiss-Tomkins	Proposes a special appropriation of \$4.35 billion from the Earnings Reserve Account to the PF corpus.	Pending Finance
HB 181 by governor SB 128 by governor	Proposes use for more than \$1 billion in federal American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds directed to the state for discretionary COVID-19 recovery efforts.	HB 181 pending House FIN SB 128 pending Senate FIN
HB 189 by House Ways & Means	Reinstates state education head tax starting at \$50 per person up to a maximum of \$500 per head. Projected to generate \$60 million per year.	Pending Finance
HB 202 by Merrick	Replaces current PFD formula with use of 30% of all royalties and mineral leases.	Pending House Finance
HB 214 by House Ways & Means	Proposes a 1 percent state income tax based on the federal tax rate for resident & nonresident workers.	Pending Ways & Means

Measure	Summary	Status
HB 249 by Hopkins	Proposes a new, graduated formula for calculation of the annual PFD up to 25% of the POMV draw.	Pending Ways & Means
HB 259 by Spohnholz	Proposes 75/25 split of ERA PF draw with 75% for government services and 25% for PFD. Proposes use of 50% of government service piece to fund K-12.	Passed Ways & Means 2/24, referred Finance
HB 260 by Snyder	Proposes adjustments to PFD formula to reduce 50% PFD amount for disasters or inflation impacts.	Pending Ways & Means
HB 322 by House Transportation	Moves the AMHS Vessel Replacement Fund into a separate fund to insulate it from future budget sweeps.	Referred TRA, Finance; scheduled TRA 3/1
HB 350 by Drummond	Removes moratorium on school debt reimbursement program as of July 1, 2022. Changes match rates back to 70% (state)/30% (local) and 60%/40%.	Referred Education, Finance; scheduled 3/4
HB 373 by Tarr	Implements a new state sales and use tax of 2%. Allows state to join Streamlined Sales & Use Tax Agreement.	Referred Ways & Means, State Affairs, Finance
SJR 5 by governor HJR 6 by governor	Proposes a constitutional amendment that creates a new appropriations limit or spending cap.	SJR 5 pending Senate FIN HJR 6 pending House W&M
SJR 6 by governor HJR 7 by governor	Proposes a constitutional amendment to enshrine the PF dividend in the Constitution. Requires subsequent vote by electorate to change the dividend formula.	SJR 6 pending Senate FIN HJR 7 pending House JUD
SJR 7 by governor HJR 8 by governor	Proposes a constitutional amendment requiring a vote of the people to establish a new state tax. Requires legislative ratification of a new tax created by initiative.	SJR 7 pending Senate FIN HJR 8 pending House STA
SB 13 by Begich	Proposes additional tax on oil and gas taxable property that may be appropriated to the Alaska capital income fund, municipalities for real property tax revenue lost, or the Alaska higher education investment fund.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
SB 52 by governor HB 72 by governor	Appropriates \$2 billion from the Permanent Fund ERA for payment of a full dividend in 2022.	SB 52 pending Senate FIN HB 72 referred House FIN
SB 53 by governor HB 73 by governor	Sets new PF dividend formula at 50% of 5% POMV distribution. Includes advisory vote on proposal.	SB 53 died on Senate floor HB 73 pending House JUD
SB 100 by Begich	Proposes a 5 percent state income tax based on the federal tax rate for resident & nonresident workers.	Pending State Affairs
SB 153 by Kiehl	Sets PFD amounts with step up until it reaches a 50/50 split between dividends and state services.	Pending State Affairs
SB 154 by Kiehl	Proposes a state income tax beginning at 2.75% of adjusted gross income the first year, 3% the second year, 3.25% the third year, and 3.75% for subsequent years.	Pending Labor & Commerce
SB 162 by governor HB 281 by governor	FY 2023 Operating Budget: Provides flat funding for K-12 and pupil transportation. School debt reimbursement funded at 100%. Provides full funding for PCE and \$30 million for community assistance program.	SB 162 pending Senate Finance HB 281 pending House Finance
SB 199 by Senate Finance	Modified version of Senate Finance CSSB 53. Proposes 50% PFD/50% government services split contingent on \$700 million in new taxes.	Referred Senate Finance, heard & held Finance 2/21
SB 200 by Senate Finance	Alternative approach to SB 199, proposing a 25% PFD/75% government services split for use of earnings from the Alaska Permanent Fund.	Referred Senate Finance, heard & held Finance 2/21
SB 224 by Senate Finance	Moves AMHS system fund and higher education investment fund into separate funds to insulate them from future budget sweeps.	Referred Finance, scheduled 3/1

## General Municipal Issues

Measure	Summary	Status
HJR 2 by Claman	Proposes constitutional amendment to limit regular legislative sessions to ninety days.	Pending Judiciary
HB 1 by Rauscher	Proposes special audit of CARES Act funds for the community assistance program and grants to municipalities and communities.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
HB 17 by Josephson; SB 149 by Gray-Jackson	Expands duties of State Commission for Human Rights to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity. Applies to political subdivisions.	HB 17 pending House JUD SB 149 pending Senate State Affairs
HB 31 by Ortiz	Allows the state to observe daylight saving time throughout a calendar year. This change can only take effect if the US Congress amends federal law.	Pending State Affairs
HB 55 by Josephson	Allows firefighters and peace officers to join a defined benefit retirement plan. Establishes medical benefits eligibility requirements and payment for past service.	Pending Senate L&C
HB 113/SB 93 by governor	Establishes an all-payer health claims database (APCD) collecting health care claims data from a variety of health care payers, including insurers and providers.	HB 113 pending House L&C SB 93 pending Senate FIN
HB 123 by Zulkosky SB 108 by Olson	Proposes state law formally acknowledging federally recognized tribes in Alaska. If enacted, the proposed initiative would not appear on the fall ballot.	HB 123 heard/held Senate STA 2/15, sched. 3/3 SB 108 pending Senate STA
HB 127 by LeBon	Prohibits the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank Authority from assisting the University of Alaska (UA) to fund heating or energy projects, while increasing maximum bonding amounts for other UA or regional health entity projects.	Pending Senate Finance
HB 167 by McCabe	Prohibits municipalities from levying a sales & use taxes on the sale or exchange of "specie" (gold or silver coins).	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
HB 190 by Gillham	Proposes changes to the recall process of state and local officials.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
HB 205 by McKay	Reserves to the state the authority to regulate pesticides and restricts authority of municipal to regulate pesticides.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
HB 220 by Hopkins	Proposes new defined benefit retirement system for PERS and TRS members. Gives existing DC members a choice between DC or DB plan.	Pending Finance
HB 224 by Gillham	Requires that a proposed annexation by a municipality be approved by 2/3 of the vote by voters residing in area proposed to be annexed.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
HB 225 by Gillham	Amends state property tax exemption for residents 65 years or older. Appears to eliminate the exemption for seniors, reducing it to only disabled veterans 60 years or older and widows or widowers of disabled veterans.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
HB 250 by Wool	Proposes appropriations to cover 100% of school debt reimbursement and add \$7 million for community assistance in FY 2022, along with another \$30.8 million into community assistance to capitalize the fund.	Pending Finance
HB 262 by Eastman	Prohibits a state or municipal government from mandating COVID-19 vaccinations or to enforce federal regulations or laws that infringe on a person's right to move freely in Alaska or between states.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs

<b>Measure</b>	<b>Summary</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>HB 288 by Kurka</b>	Grants all municipalities authority to regulate alcoholic beverage licenses. Reduces Alcoholic Beverage Control Board authority within municipalities.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
<b>HB 305 by Tuck</b>	Mandates state and political subdivisions to report to DOLWD certain information following award of public construction contracts. Requires whenever possible use of Alaskan materials and services, then from the U.S.	Pending Labor & Commerce
<b>HB 309 by Kreiss-Tomkins</b>	Exempts municipal candidates and officeholders in municipalities with a population of 15,000 or less from state financial/business interest reporting requirements.	Scheduled Community & Regional Affairs 3/3
<b>HB 311 by Kurka</b>	New capital move bill designating Willow as the new site.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
<b>HB 360 by Tuck</b>	Allows the legislature to declare a disaster emergency and discontinue meeting physically at the location of session or special session due to a disaster emergency.	Referred State Affairs, Judiciary
<b>HB 363 by Edgmon</b>	Establishes the office of broadband in the Dept. of Commerce, Community, & Econ. Development, the broadband parity adjustment fund, and the Statewide Broadband Advisory Board.	Referred Labor & Commerce, Finance
<b>HB 367 by Gillham</b>	Removes planning commission apportionment requirements for first and second class boroughs.	Referred CRA, State Affairs
<b>HB 370 by Tuck</b>	Adds broadband to the Alaska Energy Authority, includes broadband as a public utility as part of telecommunications service, and increases and improves availability, affordability and performance of broadband in unserved/underserved areas.	Referred Labor & Commerce, Finance
<b>HB 371 by Tuck</b>	Establishes the broadband cost equalization fund and the criteria to calculate the amount of broadband cost equalization to be paid to providers. Allows the Alaska Energy Authority to make grants to reduce the cost of services to customers.	Referred Labor & Commerce, Finance
<b>HB 374 by Zulkosky</b>	Removes certain village safe water program prerequisites to fund or construct a facility.	Referred Tribal Affairs, Resources
<b>HB 385 by Wool</b>	Allows mobile sports gaming in Alaska, provides for regulation of such gaming, and imposes state taxes.	Referred Labor & Commerce, Finance
<b>HB 389 by Eastman</b>	Repeals state law implementing the REAL ID program.	Referred State Affairs, Finance
<b>SJR 12 by Wielechowski</b>	Resolution urging Congress to repeal the Windfall Elimination Provision and the Government Pension Offset of the Social Security Act.	Heard & held Finance 2/24, scheduled 3/1
<b>SB 6 by Kawasaki</b>	Allows employers to adopt a retirement incentive program (RIP) for both TRS and PERS members of a defined benefit plan.	Pending Finance
<b>SB 9 by Micciche</b>	Omnibus bill relating to the manufacture, distribution, licensing, possession, and the sale of alcoholic beverages. Provides only the ABC Board may issue, renew, transfer, relocate, suspend, or revoke a license.	Passed House Labor & Commerce 2/22, referred House Finance
<b>SB 15 by Costello</b>	Creates fine of up to \$1,000 for any elected or appointed official who knowingly violates the Open Meetings Act.	Pending Finance

Measure	Summary	Status
SB 26 by Wilson	Repeals the certificate of need (CON) program for health care facilities.	Passed L&C 2/18, Finance referral added
SB 37 by Kiehl	Allows teachers and other public employees a choice between a defined benefit pension versus the current defined contribution 401(k) plan.	Pending Labor & Commerce
SB 41 by Hughes	Omnibus health insurance reform bill that includes provision to preempt municipalities from regulating disclosure and reporting of health care information.	Heard & held Labor & Commerce 2/14
SB 46 by Gray-Jackson	Makes municipal police officers subject to police standards, establishes central registry of officers with denied or revoked certificates, amends training of village public safety officers to require disability training, and requires the reporting of use-of-force by an officer.	Pending State Affairs
SB 54 by governor	Authorizes the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to issue bonds to finance water and sewer projects and matching funds for federal highway and aviation projects.	Pending Finance
SB 74 by governor HB 93 by governor	Proposes \$356 million in general obligations bonds for numerous transportation and infrastructure projects.	SB 74 pending Senate FIN HB 93 pending House FIN
SB 81 by Olson HB 313 by Zulkosky	Requires background checks for Village Public Safety Officers (VPSO) and rewrites the VPSO statute.	SB 81 passed S STA, scheduled Senate FIN 2/28 HB 313 sched. House Tribal Affairs 3/1, 3/3
SB 105 by Myers	Allows second class boroughs to consolidate two or more road service areas without voter approval if the boards representing those areas request consolidation and no new parcels are added to the new service area.	Pending Transportation
SB 126 by Stevens	Repeals current 90-day session limit.	Pending State Affairs
SB 136 by Myers HB 179 by Tilton	Significantly limits state or municipal regulation of firearms during a disaster declaration.	SB 136 sched. S STA 3/3 HB 179 pending H CRA
SB 148 by Holland	Amends boating safety education course requirements and adds age and safety education requirements for boat operators of a certain age.	Passed Resources 2/23, referred Finance
SB 152 by Shower	Proposes locating the first regular legislative session in Juneau and the second regular session in Anchorage.	Scheduled State Affairs 3/3
SB 160 by Stedman	Creates the Alaska Flood Authority to increase the availability of flood insurance in Alaska.	Pending Labor & Commerce
SB 166 by governor HB 285 by governor	Proposes \$325 million in general obligations bonds for numerous transportation and infrastructure projects.	SB 166 pending S TRA HB 285 pending House FIN
SB 170 by Senate Transportation	Establishes a public corporation to manage AMHS using a seven-member board.	Heard & held Transportation 2/17, 2/22
SB 172 by Wielechowski	Increases the amount from \$50K to \$75K that a municipality may exempt residential property from taxation.	Heard & held Community & Regional Affairs 2/17, 2/22
SB 215 by Reinbold	Requires municipalities and school districts to report annually to the state all federal receipts received.	Referred State Affairs, Finance

## Education Measures

Measure	Summary	Status
<b>HJR 20 by Johnson</b>	Proposes a constitutional amendment to delete the prohibition on using state funds for the direct benefit of religious or private educational institutions.	Pending Education
<b>HB 15 by Thompson</b>	Requires issuance of a preliminary teacher certificate within 30 days for qualified active-duty military members or spouses.	Pending Labor & Commerce
<b>HB 18 by Kreiss-Tompkins</b>	Sets goal that by 2025 at least 4% of public school teachers will achieve national board certification. Requires schools display the name of these teachers.	Pending Rules
<b>HB 19 by Kreiss-Tompkins</b>	Expands scope for teachers fluent in an Alaska Native or foreign language to allow teaching other subject matter if done in Native or foreign language.	Pending Senate Labor & Commerce
<b>HB 24 by Hopkins</b>	Requires larger school districts to give breaks to teachers who are nursing mothers and a location to express breast milk.	Pending Education
<b>HB 25 by Hopkins</b>	Requires DEED Board to establish standards for social-emotional learning instruction.	Pending State Affairs
<b>HB 47 by Story SB 109 by Olson</b>	Renames Alaska Native Language Preservation and Advisory Council and adds two seats.	HB 47 pending Senate STA SB 109 pending Senate STA
<b>HB 48 by Story</b>	Expands eligibility requirements for the Alaska performance scholarship program.	Heard & held EDC 2/25, scheduled 3/4
<b>HB 49 by Story</b>	Proposes appropriation of \$20.225 million for early literacy programs in public schools.	Pending Education
<b>HB 53 by McCarty</b>	Requires school districts to consider children of active-duty military/National Guard as district residents.	Pending Senate Rules
<b>HB 60 by Claman SB 80 by Gray-Jackson</b>	Directs Board of Education & Early Development to develop guidelines for instruction in mental health in consultation with the HSS department.	HB 60 pending House FIN SB 80 pending Senate FIN
<b>HB 67 by Story</b>	Proposes appropriation of \$20 million for K-12 public schools in response to COVID-19 impacts.	Pending Education
<b>HB 108 by McCarty</b>	Allows public secondary school students, over 14 years of age, to participate in concurrent vocational education, training, and on-the-job trade programs.	Heard & held Education 2/23, scheduled 3/4
<b>HB 114/SB 94 by governor</b>	Amends education and supplemental loan programs by clarifying residency eligibility requirements, eliminating loan maximums, and allowing for early repayment of consolidated loans.	HB 114 pending H Rules SB 94 pending Senate FIN
<b>HB 129 by Fields</b>	Amends the maximum number of annual awards for Alaska performance scholarships based on current University of Alaska tuition and fees.	Pending Education
<b>HB 132 by House Labor &amp; Commerce</b>	Enacts new proposal titled the "Alaska Apprenticeship Expansion Act". Establishes new concurrent vocational education, training, and on-the-job trade experience programs for secondary school students.	Pending Senate Education
<b>HB 147 by Zulkosky</b>	Expands teacher education loan forgiveness program to any rural community not connected by road or rail to Anchorage or Fairbanks.	Pending Education

Measure	Summary	Status
HB 173 by Tarr	Establishes the “School Climate and School Connectedness Improvement Committee” as an advisory committee in DEED. Requires school districts to develop a plan related to these topics.	Pending Education
HB 175 by Carpenter HB 186 by Rauscher	Prohibits numerous governmental entities (including school districts) and businesses from requiring an individual to receive a COVID-19 vaccination or prove to someone they have been vaccinated.	HB 175 pending C&RA HB 186 pending C&RA
HB 191 by Gillham	Pushes layoff/non-retention notices to June 15. Requires districts to budget for next year using current year funding if K-12 funds not approved by May 1.	Pending Education
HB 220 by Hopkins	Allows teachers and other public employees a choice between a defined benefit pension versus the current defined contribution 401(k) plan. New features make proposal cost neutral to state.	Pending Finance
HB 228 by McKay	Prohibits teaching lessons based on critical race theory in all public schools in Alaska.	Pending Education
HB 240 by Schrage	Omnibus bill amending numerous DEED statutes, adding early education program with funding, and modifying portions of foundation formula.	Pending Education
HB 244 by Gillham	Requires school districts to distribute annually a map of school district boundaries to parents and property taxpayers.	Pending Education
HB 266 by Eastman	Creates new requirements to distribute vaccine information. Applies to school districts.	Pending Health & Social Services
HB 272 by Story	Proposes \$223 increase in BSA for FY 2023, and another \$55 increase in FY 2024.	Passed Education 2/25
HB 273 by Story	Adds automatic inflation adjustment component to the BSA starting in FY 2025.	Passed Education 2/25
HB 280 by Eastman	Excludes school employees’ children in count under certain portions of the foundation formula including requirement to have a minimum of 10 students.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
HB 324 by Eastman	Requires DEED to develop social studies program about victims of communism for grades 6-12.	Referred Education, Finance
HB 328 by Gillham	Requires school district to allow students to attend any public school in that district.	Referred Community & Regional Affairs, Education
HB 329 by Gillham	Requires a stipend of \$5,930 for each student that is home-schooled. These funds can be used for tutoring from a private school or other programs.	Referred Education, Finance
HB 330 by Gillham	Prohibits public school employees and contractors from providing instruction that varies from state standards or can be viewed as critical race theory.	Referred State Affairs, Education
HB 335/SB 198 by governor	Moves school in Rampart from the Yukon Flats School District to the Yukon Koyukuk School District. Both districts agree with this proposal.	HB 335 referred House EDC SB 198 referred Senate EDC, passed out 2/25
HB 342 by Gillham	Requires public schools to publish and keep updated a list of textbooks used by that school with an Internet link with information about each textbook.	Referred Education, Finance
HB 343 by Gillham	Another version of legislation prohibiting teaching lessons based on critical race theory in all public schools in Alaska.	Referred Education, Finance

Measure	Summary	Status
<b>HB 356 by Gillham</b>	Requires school districts to develop and implement a “character development program” for grades K-12.	Referred Community & Regional Affairs, Education
<b>HB 391 by Eastman</b>	Requires school boards to ensure that all curriculum is consistent with principles of individual freedom.	Referred Education, State Affairs, Judiciary
<b>SJR 10 by Costello</b>	Proposes constitutional amendment requiring public schools to provide the opportunity for in-person education unless a disaster declaration is in place.	Pending Education
<b>SB 8 by Begich</b>	Proposes statewide K-3 reading program and expands pre-elementary program for 4- & 5-year-olds. Retention at grade 3 likely unless exempt by school board. HB 164 adds provision for 25% carryover by districts. HB 164 CS mirroring CSSB 111 (EDC).	Pending Senate EDC
<b>SB 16 by Begich</b>	Requires annual report on equal pay for comparable work and increases minimum wage.	Pending Labor & Commerce
<b>SB 18 by Begich</b>	Requires school districts to set policies regarding maximum class size for each grade. Creates a state class size reduction grant program	Pending Education
<b>SB 20 by Stevens</b>	Amends teacher certification reciprocity provisions for out-of-state teachers. Finance CS requires these teachers to complete specified training requirements within 90 days. Still get 2 yrs. for 2 required courses.	Passed House Education 2/23, referred House Finance
<b>SB 32 by Stevens</b>	Establishes new middle college program for public school students at U of A.	Pending House Rules
<b>SB 34 by Stevens HB 351 by Zulkosky</b>	Allows establishment of public schools through state-tribal compacts. Provides authority for creation of state-tribal compact schools and defines other requirements.	SB 34 heard & held Education 2/23, sched. 3/3 HB 351 REF H EDC, FIN
<b>SB 42 by Hughes</b>	Omnibus bill titled “Alaska Reading and Virtual Education Act.” Provides for more stringent standards for Praxis tests and expands reporting on school district and employee performance.	Pending Education
<b>SB 58 by governor HB 78 by governor</b>	Amends education foundation formula to count students in correspondence programs at 100% for ADM purposes and includes this count for all multipliers.	SB 58 pending Senate EDC HB 78 pending House EDC
<b>SB 72 by Stevens</b>	Adds civics exam requirement to graduate from secondary school. CS removes requirement to achieve a passing grade.	Passed Senate 2/16, referred House EDC, FIN
<b>SB 111 by Senate Education HB 164 by Tuck</b>	Omnibus education reform bill titled the “Alaska Academic Improvement and Modernization Act.” Latest CS eliminates mandatory retention but includes a 10-year sunset of new programs.	SB 111 sched. S FIN 3/4 HB 164 pending House EDC
<b>SB 112 by Shower</b>	Mandates DEED require bus logistics plans for certain methods of school transportation to reduce number of runs and increase efficiency.	Pending Education
<b>SB 140 by Hughes HB 230 by McKay</b>	Requires school districts to designate sports team as male, female or co-ed and bars transgender girls from participating in female sports.	SB 140 sched. S EDC 3/3 HB 230 pending H EDC
<b>SB 157 by Gray-Jackson</b>	Requires school districts to provide a program of health and personal safety education for K-12, including science-based sexual health education.	Pending Education

Measure	Summary	Status
<b>SB 174 by Wilson HB 312 by Tarr</b>	Prohibits school districts from adopting a dress code prohibiting hairstyles associated with race.	<b>SB 174 passed S EDC 2/23, sched. Senate L&amp;C 2/28</b> HB 312 pending H EDC
<b>SB 196 by Reinbold</b>	Requires public schools to publish info about all teaching materials and curriculum. Prohibits all forms of compelled speech for students.	Referred Education, Judiciary

### *Fishery & Resources Issues*

Measure	Summary	Status
<b>HB 26 by House Fisheries</b>	Allows members of the Board of Game or Fisheries to deliberate and participate on matters if they or a family member have a personal or financial interest.	Pending Rules
<b>HB 28 by House Fisheries</b>	Exempts commercial fishing vessels with valid licenses from numbering and registration provisions.	<b>Passed Senate RES 2/21, referred Senate FIN</b>
<b>HB 41 by Ortiz SB 64 by Stevens</b>	Relates to management of enhanced stocks of shellfish, authorizes certain nonprofits to engage in shellfish enhancement projects, and increases salmon hatchery permit fees from \$100 to \$1000.	HB 41 pending Senate RLS SB 64 pending Senate Rules
<b>HB 50 by Josephson</b>	Authorizes municipalities to regulate trapping to prevent injury to persons or property.	Pending Resources
<b>HB 64 by Stutes</b>	Proposes regional associations to encourage new fisheries, modeled after SE AK Regional Dive Fisheries Association. Members self-assess tax to fund surveys.	<b>Scheduled Finance 2/28</b>
<b>HB 65 by Stutes</b>	Allows Board of Fisheries/Board of Game unconfirmed appointees to vote if the legislature has been unable to meet during a regular legislative session if approved by a majority of each board using a poll.	Pending Fisheries
<b>HB 120 by governor SB 97 by governor</b>	Allows an Alaskan to nominate up to 20 acres of state land to be used for commercial purposes. Lands must be within federally designated Qualified Opportunity Zones or determined as appropriate for commercial use.	HB 120 pending House RES SB 97 pending Senate FIN
<b>HB 162 by Tuck</b>	Establishes a new fisheries rehabilitation permit program which allows removal of finfish, collection and incubation of eggs and placement of fertilized or incubated eggs, larvae, or unfed fry back in the same waters of the state.	Pending Fisheries
<b>HB 185 by McKay</b>	Allows ADF&G to transfer or reissue a hunting permit originally awarded to a resident by drawing to a qualified substitute, if the original permit holder has died.	Pending Resources
<b>HB 195 by governor SB 133 by governor</b>	Allows eligible Alaskans to nominate up to 10 acres of vacant, unappropriated, or unreserved state lands for the Department of Natural Resources to offer for sale or lease as a remote recreational site.	HB 195 pending House RES SB 133 pending Senate Resources

Measure	Summary	Status
<b>HB 365 by Kreiss-Tomkins</b>	Makes setting of the optimum number of commercial fishing entry permits for a fishery discretionary. Ties the buy-back program to setting an optimum number.	Referred Fisheries, Resources
<b>HB 393 by McCabe</b>	Adds a surcharge of \$.06 per pound under the state's fishery business and fishery resource landing taxes, with credits for in-state fishery businesses or in-state vessels.	Referred Fisheries, Resources, Finance
<b>SB 29 by Micciche</b>	Establishes Cook Inlet buy-back program for set net entry permits and provides for a vote by permit holders whether to be included. Broadens CFEC authority to establish management areas.	Pending Finance
<b>SB 33 by Stevens HB 188 by Stutes</b>	Add pollock and cod to the product development tax credit up to 50% of the taxpayer's tax liability. Extends date to take credit for property first placed into service by Dec. 31, 2025.	<b>SB 33 passed Senate 2/15, referred House Finance</b> HB 188 pending House Finance
<b>SB 44 by Kawasaki</b>	Requires Board of Fish to place restrictions on other fisheries before restricting personal use fisheries, except when the harvest of a stock or species is limited to achieve a management goal.	Pending Resources
<b>SB 204 by Revak</b>	Expands competitive auctions or raffles for hunting permits and big game tags. Adds harvest permits for emperor geese.	Referred Resources, FIN; <b>scheduled Resources 3/2</b>
<b>SB 219 by Micciche</b>	Allows for the transfer or modification of personal use cabin permits on state land under certain circumstances.	Referred Resources

### *Energy Matters*

Measure	Summary	Status
<b>HB 56 by Foster</b>	Restructures the Power Cost Equalization (PCE) program process to allow direct PCE payments without further appropriations. Mandates annual appropriation out of the fund to make eligible PCE payments.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
<b>HB 135 by governor SB 104 by governor</b>	Expands the jurisdiction and authority of the Oil & Gas Conservation Commission (AOGCC) over geothermal resources, currently held by the Dept. of Natural Resources.	HB 135 pending House FIN SB 104 pending Senate FIN
<b>HB 170 by governor SB 123 by governor</b>	Creates new "Alaska Energy Independence Fund" at AIDEA to make loans and provide other forms of financing for sustainable energy development.	HB 170 pending House FIN SB 123 pending Senate FIN
<b>HB 223 by Kaufman</b>	Proposes repeal of numerous funds including the fuel emergency fund, rural electrification revolving loan fund, and the Alaska affordable energy fund.	<b>Scheduled Ways &amp; Means 3/1</b>
<b>HB 227 by Schrage</b>	Expands Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program by allowing new construction financing, resiliency projects, C-PACE refinancing, and considering market values rather than assessed values.	<b>Scheduled Community &amp; Regional Affairs 3/1, 3/3</b>

Measure	Summary	Status
<b>HB 247 by Thompson</b>	Amends formula for distribution of excess earnings from the power cost equalization fund to increase funding for renewable energy projects. Protects priority for distribution of up to \$30 million to community assistance.	Scheduled Energy 3/3
<b>HB 358 by Edgmon SB 202 by Revak</b>	Extends authorization of the Renewable Energy Grant Fund and Recommendation Program setting a new sunset date of June 30, 2033.	HB 358 REF H ENE, FIN, sched. H Energy 3/1, 3/3 SB 202 REF S RES, FIN, sched. S Resources 3/2
<b>SB 17 by Begich</b>	Provides funding to conduct energy audits, improve energy efficiency in public buildings (including public schools), and creates a “rapid economic recovery office” to oversee related audits and projects.	Pending Finance
<b>SB 123 by governor</b>	Establishes the Alaska Energy Independence Fund within the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority (AIDEA). Provides AIDEA the ability to arrange financing for sustainable energy development projects.	Pending Finance

### *Election & Voting Issues*

Measure	Summary	Status
<b>HB 23 by Rauscher</b>	Omnibus voting measure that modifies PFD registration provisions adopted by initiative in 2016. Other provisions may result in restricted access to voting in certain cases.	Pending State Affairs
<b>HB 39 by Hopkins</b>	Allows pre-registration to vote for minors at least 16 years of age.	Pending State Affairs
<b>HB 66 by Tuck</b>	Omnibus voting bill allowing same-day registration, ballot curing, increased pay for poll workers and earlier absentee ballot counting.	Pending State Affairs
<b>HB 138 by Kreiss-Tomkins</b>	Omnibus voting bill requiring voting by mail for all state and local elections and establishing an online ballot tracking and registration verification system. Includes several additional elections provisions.	Pending Judiciary
<b>HB 157 by Rasmussen</b>	Requires identification of individual, groups and nongroup entities expending money for state referendums or recall elections.	Scheduled Senate State Affairs 3/1
<b>HB 212 by Kurka</b>	Requires purging of voters after four years of not voting or if written notice from Division of Elections is returned as undeliverable.	Pending State Affairs
<b>HB 267 by Schrage</b>	Requires the Division of Elections to notify voters if there are minor errors on absentee ballots and provide voters opportunity to correct or “cure” the errors.	Pending State Affairs
<b>HB 336 by Eastman</b>	Directs Division of Elections to amend state ballots to allow voters to rank up to four candidates.	Referred State Affairs, Judiciary
<b>HB 375 by Shaw SB 205 by Revak</b>	Establishes a digital absentee voting system for overseas or special needs voters.	HB 375 referred H STA, FIN SB 205 referred S STA, FIN

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<b>SB 23 by Revak HB 174 by Merrick</b>	Requires any court change to language in a ballot initiative to trigger restarting signature gathering.	SB 23 pending Senate JUD HB 174 pending House JUD
<b>SB 39 by Shower HB 196 by Vance</b>	New CS removes attempt to amend PFD voter registration process, changes limits on voting-by-mail by municipalities, allows ballot curing and proposes optional voter ID system. Contains several other changes.	SB 39 pending Senate JUD HB 196 pending House JUD
<b>SB 43 by Hughes</b>	Prohibits anonymous donations to ballot measure campaigns and amends process to assist completion of an absentee ballot. Draft CS limits bill to campaign finance piece.	Pending Judiciary
<b>SB 82 by governor HB 95 by governor</b>	Adds new authority for Attorney General to investigate alleged election violations as a civil matter and allows fines up to \$25,000 per violation.	SB 82 pending Senate STA HB 95 pending House STA
<b>SB 83 by governor HB 96 by governor</b>	Omnibus elections bill to limit vote by mail to smaller communities (750 or less) and increase voter verification for absentee ballots. Includes many features contained in <i>HB 23</i> , <i>SB 39</i> and introduced version of <i>SB 43</i> .	SB 83 pending Senate STA HB 96 pending House STA
<b>SB 129 by Myers</b>	Broadens type of information included in the Alaska Official Election Pamphlet related to judge retention.	Pending State Affairs
<b>SB 142 by Shower</b>	Adds new provision asserting state sovereignty to not conduct elections for federal officials if federal law requires actions in conflict with state provisions.	Pending State Affairs
<b>SB 167 by governor HB 286 by governor</b>	New omnibus “elections integrity” bill with numerous changes. Eliminates automatic registration for PFD applicants, allows ballot curing and amends process to maintain voter rolls.	<b>SB 167 sched. S STA 3/3</b> HB 286 pending House State Affairs
<b>SB 178 by Kawasaki</b>	Allows voters to elect receiving absentee ballots permanently for state elections.	Pending Community & Regional Affairs
<b>SB 209 by Kawasaki</b>	Requires DOE to provide postage-paid return envelopes for absentee ballots, allows voters to cure ballots, and permits certain people to assist voters.	Referred State Affairs, Finance



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