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## **City of Unalaska Legislative Report** **4/4/22**

This week was a bit of a setback with canceled House floor sessions and committee meetings due to a COVID outbreak in the Capitol. The House was scheduled to take up the operating budget and amendments, which are rumored to be many, and there were several bills that been scheduled for hearing, those things did not happen. Hopefully folks are on the mend and back at work this week, it is likely to be a busy schedule as everyone plays catch up.

This week Senate Finance is taking public testimony on the budget. Although, the Senate version will not have been finalized it is still important to call in and advocate on matters of importance to you those you represent. Below is the schedule and call-in numbers:

### **Call in numbers:**

**Outside Anchorage or Juneau – 844-586-9085**

**Anchorage – 563-9085**

Thursday, April 7, 2022

Senate Finance Room 532 - 9:00 AM

**\*\*\*Public Testimony: Interior, Fairbanks, Copper River Valley, & Offnets**

- SB 162 – OPERATING BUDGET *Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set>*
- SB 163 – MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET *Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set>*
  - SB 164 – CAPITAL BUDGET *Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set>*

**Call in / Sign up by 10:30**

**Time Limit: 90 seconds**

Thursday, April 7, 2022

Senate Finance Room 532 - 1:00 PM

**\*\*\*Public Testimony: Nome, Bethel, Kotzebue, Utqiagvik, Unalaska, Dillingham, & Offnets**

- SB 162 – OPERATING BUDGET *Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set>*
- SB 163 – MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET *Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set>*
  - SB 164 – CAPITAL BUDGET *Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set>*

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Friday, April 8, 2022

Senate Finance Room 532 - 9:00 AM

**\*\*\*Public Testimony: Southeast, Prince Willam Sound, Kodiak, & Offnets**

- SB 162 – OPERATING BUDGET *Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set>*
- SB 163 – MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET *Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set>*
  - SB 164 – CAPITAL BUDGET *Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set>*

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Friday, April 8, 2022

Senate Finance Room 532 - 1:00 PM

**\*\*\*Public Testimony: Kenai Peninsula, Anchorage, & Mat-Su Valley**

- SB 162 – OPERATING BUDGET *Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set>*
- SB 163 – MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET *Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set>*
  - SB 164 – CAPITAL BUDGET *Public Testimony <Time Limit Will Be Set>*



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### Weekly Schedule

Time	Description
Tue 4/5/22 1:30 PM	BELTZ 105 (TSBldg) -SENATE TRANSPORTATION += <b>SB 170 MARINE HIGHWAY CORPORATION</b> TELECONFERENCED -- Public Testimony -- + Bills Previously Heard/Scheduled TELECONFERENCED **Streamed live on AKL.tv**

Here is the link to more information about the committee hearings, at this time of year it is good to check daily if you are watching a hearing as they change frequently.

<http://w3.legis.state.ak.us/in-dex.php?tab2=type%3DAll%26com%3D%26startDate%3D04%2F03%2F2022%26endDate%3D04%2F11%2F2022%26chamber%3D#tab2>

### Bills of Interest

Bill	Short Title	Prime Sponsors	Current Status	Status Date
<a href="#">HB 28</a>	Registration Of Boats: Exemption	HOUSE FISHERIES	(S) FIN	2/23/22
<a href="#">HB 30</a>	Workers' Comp: Death; Perm Partial Impair	JOSEPHSON	(S) L&C	3/23/22
<a href="#">HB 55</a>	Peace Officer/firefighter Retire Benefits	JOSEPHSON	(S) L&C	1/18/22
<a href="#">HB 56</a>	Power Cost Equalization	FOSTER	(H) CRA	2/18/21
<a href="#">HB 64</a>	Fishery Development Assoc.; Assessments	STUTES	(H) RLS	3/2/22
<a href="#">HB 75</a>	Employer Contributions To Pers	RULES	(H) FIN	5/1/21
<a href="#">HB 88</a>	Equal Pay & Minimum Wage Act	TARR	(H) STA	2/18/21
<a href="#">HB 134</a>	Amhs Operation & Planning Board	RULES	(H) TRA	3/10/21
<a href="#">HB 135</a>	Geothermal Resources	RULES	(H) FIN	1/27/22
<a href="#">HB 225</a>	Municipal Property Tax Senior Exemption	GILLHAM	(H) CRA	1/18/22
<a href="#">HB 227</a>	Muni Energy Improvemnt Assessment Program	SCHRAGE	3RD RDG, 4/4 CAL(H)	3/22/22
<a href="#">HB 247</a>	Power Cost Equalization Fund	THOMPSON	(H) ENE	1/18/22



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<a href="#"><u>HB 322</u></a>	AK Marine Hwy System Vessel Repl. Fund	HOUSE TRANS-PORTATION	(H) AWAIT NEXT COM	3/29/22
<a href="#"><u>HB 350</u></a>	School Bond Debt Reimbursement	DRUMMOND	(H) AWAIT NEXT COM	3/24/22
<a href="#"><u>HB 363</u></a>	Broadband: Office, Grants, Parity	EDGMON	(H) FIN	3/18/22
<a href="#"><u>HB 370</u></a>	AK Energy And Broadband Authority	TUCK	(H) L&C	2/22/22
<a href="#"><u>HB 371</u></a>	Broadband Cost Equalization Fund	TUCK	(H) L&C	2/22/22
<a href="#"><u>HB 378</u></a>	Municipal Property Tax Assessments	EASTMAN	(H) CRA	2/22/22
<a href="#"><u>HB 393</u></a>	Fishery Landing Tax Surcharge	MCCABE	(H) FSH	2/22/22
<a href="#"><u>HB 395</u></a>	Funds: AK Marine Hwy System	RULES	(H) FIN	3/9/22
<a href="#"><u>HJR 6</u></a>	Const. Am: Approp Limit; Budget Reserve	RULES	(H) W&M	3/24/21
<a href="#"><u>SB 6</u></a>	Rip For Public Employees/teachers	KAWASAKI	(S) FIN	4/19/21
<a href="#"><u>SB 9</u></a>	Alcoholic Beverage Control; Alcohol Reg	MICCICHE	(H) FIN	2/22/22
<a href="#"><u>SB 11</u></a>	Community Property Trusts	BEGICH	(H) RLS	3/14/22
<a href="#"><u>SB 15</u></a>	Open Meetings Act; Penalty	COSTELLO	(S) FIN	4/21/21
<a href="#"><u>SB 17</u></a>	Energy Efficiency & Policy: Pub. Bldgs	BEGICH	(S) FIN	5/3/21
<a href="#"><u>SB 33</u></a>	Seafood Product Development Tax Credit	STEVENS	(H) AWAIT NEXT COM	3/31/22
<a href="#"><u>SB 37</u></a>	Teachers & Pub Employee Retirement Plans	KIEHL	(S) L&C	1/25/21
<a href="#"><u>SB 41</u></a>	Health Insurance Info.; Incentive Program	HUGHES	(S) L&C	1/25/21
<a href="#"><u>SB 100</u></a>	State Income Tax	BEGICH	(S) STA	3/10/21
<a href="#"><u>SB 170</u></a>	Marine Highway Corporation	SENATE TRANS-PORTATION	(S) TRA	1/21/22
<a href="#"><u>SB 172</u></a>	Property Tax Exemption	WIELECHOWSKI	(S) CRA	1/26/22
<a href="#"><u>SB 226</u></a>	Funds: AK Marine Hwy System	RULES	(S) TRA	3/9/22