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City of Unalaska Legislative Report **1/26/25**

The first week of the 34th Alaska State Legislature proved to be an eventful one, as both chambers successfully organized themselves on the initial day—a significant achievement not seen since 2017. Senator Gary Stevens resumes his role as Senate President, heading a bipartisan majority comprising 14 members. For those looking for specific committee assignments within the Senate, details can be accessed [here](#).

In the House, Representative Edgmon of Dillingham was elected Speaker on Tuesday, leading a coalition of 21 members from across the political spectrum. Individuals interested in the House committee assignments can find them [here](#).

A noteworthy aspect of the week was the introduction of 116 bills and six constitutional amendments across both legislative bodies, including pre-filed measures, indicating key legislative priorities. The focus areas being discussed for the 34th Legislature include education, public employee and teacher retirement, energy, enhancements to the electoral processes, and improvements to state budgeting structures. For a comprehensive list of introduced bills to date, you can find them [here](#).

The Senate Resources Committee, under the chairmanship of Senator Giessel, convened on Wednesday for a briefing on Cook Inlet Gas, featuring insights from industry professionals from Furie and Hilcorp. A link to the video recording of this meeting can be found [here](#).

Additionally, on Thursday, the House Transportation Committee, led by Representative Carrick, received updates from two local transportation planning organizations regarding the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) and future projections. Presentation materials from this session can be accessed [here](#).

The Governor will be giving the State of the State address on Tuesday, January 28th at 7pm. [Streaming begins on Gavel Alaska at 6:30pm.](#)

Have a great weekend, looking forward to updating you next week.



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Upcoming Schedule

Description	Date, Time & Location
BELTZ 105 (TSBldg) -SENATE COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS + Overview: Division of Community &Regional TELECONFERENCED Affairs, DCCED by Sandra Moller, Division Director, DCRA + Presentation: Alaska Municipal League by TELECONFERENCED Nils Andreassen, Executive Director, AML **Streamed live on AKL.tv**	Tue 1/28/25 1:30 PM
HOUSE CHAMBER -SENATE JOINT SESSION + State of the State Address by Governor Mike TELECONFERENCED Dunleavy	Tue 1/28/25 7:00 PM

Bill	Title	Prime Sponsor	Status & Upcoming Hearings	Position
HB 13	Municipal Property Tax Exemptions	GRAY	(H) REFERRED TO COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS (1/22)	
HB 18	Vehicles/boats: Transfer On Death Title	RAUSCHER	(H) REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION (1/22)	
HB 26	Statewide Public & Community Transit Plan	MINA	(H) REFERRED TO COMMUNITY & REGIONAL AFFAIRS (1/22)	
HB 31	Vessels: Registration/derelict Fund	STUTES	(H) REFERRED TO FISHERIES (1/22)	
SB 10	Paid Family Leave/wage Replacement Insur.	DUNBAR	(S) REFERRED TO LABOR & COMMERCE (1/22)	