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Good morning,  
Today is day thirty-nine of this session. This week the Senate Finance Committee heard the following bills: SB 211: Extend Occupational Licensing Boards, HB 194: Approve Marathon Petro Royalty Oil Sale, SB 167: Criminal Conviction Overturned/Receive Past PFD, HB 170: Gaming/Electronic Pull-Tabs. In addition, the committee heard and moved HB 62: Sexual Assault Examination Kits/Tracking (SB 69 companion bill). HB 62 is now in the Senate Rules committee awaiting scheduling to come before the full Senate.  
The Senate Finance Committee also received a presentation from Alaska Permanent Fund Performance by Callan Association. They report the fund is doing well. In addition, the committee heard an overview of HB 289: FY25 Supplemental from the Governor’s Office of Management and Budget. The House approved HB 289 but did not approve the funding mechanism.  
And finally on Thursday and Friday morning/afternoons, the committee received public testimony from the citizens of Alaska on the State Operating, Capital, Mental Health, and Supplemental budgets.  
This week, I introduced SB 269: Board of Fisheries. This bill would restructure the board of fish into 3 regional fish boards consisting of 5 members each. The bill identifies the regions as the Southeast, the Central and the Western boards. SB 269 identifies the members of each board to consist of a member who is actively engaged in commercial fisheries, a member in sport fisheries, a member engaged in subsistence/personal use fisheries and two members of the public. SB 269 has been referred to the Senate Resource Committee, followed by the Senate Finance Committee.  
Wishing you all a good weekend!



First Lady Rose Dunleavy invites Alaskans to recognize their fellow citizens who have performed extraordinary volunteer service by nominating them for the First Lady’s Volunteer of the Year Award. The annual award recognizes volunteers who engage in unpaid charitable activities, demonstrate personal commitment to long term volunteer services, and make a significant impact for Alaskans. Nomination period closes March 9, 2026. submit nominations below.

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**Yukon Kuskokwim Coalition:**  
Senator’s Hoffman, Olson and Rep. Edgmon, Foster, and Jimmie met with the YK Coalition in Senate Finance to discuss the bush caucus and its priorities and where the bush caucus fits in to the general debate here at the capitol in Juneau. Bush Caucus has always looked out for one in another



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