How to Follow the State Legislature Online

To follow what happens at the Alaska State Legislature, go to: www.akleg.gov. From this page, you can track bills, learn about the legislative process, follow committee action, read meeting minutes, learn about legislators, watch live meetings or recordings of past meetings, and set up your own bill tracking system. For questions about the Alaska State Legislature, contact the Legislative Information Office at 907-465-4648.

- Click on SENATE or HOUSE (left tab) to read the bios of legislators.
- Click on BILLS & LAWS tab (left tab) to search for bills by Subject, Sponsor, Bills in Committee, Passed Legislation, and more. Other links on this page include Floor Calendars, Daily Schedule, Meetings, and Live Now. Also, you can see a list of all bills that have been introduced under "All Measures Introduced."
- Click SEARCH box to read about a specific bill. Type in the bill number in (for example, SB56) and it will take you to the bill page, to see the bill's committee history, sponsor statement, back-up documents, and text of the bill. To read the bill text, click on <u>FULL TEXT</u> then click on the red & white PDF icon. When reading a bill note that [CAPITALIZED AND BRACKETED] is text proposed to be deleted from statute, and the <u>underlined text</u> is proposed added language. Note: All text following "Adding a new section to read" is new to statute. If a new section is added, it will NOT be underlined.
- To create your own free bill-tracking account with email alerts, go BILLS & LAWS and under Tools, click on <u>BILL TRACKING MANAGEMENT FACILITY (BTMF)</u>. Follow instructions to create an account that will track the bills you want and send you an email alert when a bill on your list has action.
- Click on PUBLICATIONS (left tab) for Legislator Contact information, Legislators by District, Abbreviations and Acronyms, Glossary of Legislative Terms, Tips for Researching Alaska Legislative History, Tracking the Legislature, and more.
- Click on COMMITTEES (left tab) to learn about committee members, committee meeting times, past meetings (document, minutes, video), and more.
- Click on FLOOR CALENDAR (top tab) to see what's on the calendar for the House and Senate by date search.
- o Click on DAILY SCHEDULE or MEETINGS (top tab) to see which committees are meeting, what's on their agenda, documents, and links to the minutes and audio/video. You can search both past and upcoming meetings using the date search function.
- o Click on LIVE NOW (top tab) to watch committee hearings via live stream.
- To learn who your own legislators are, go to: www.akleg.gov and scroll down to the box 'WHO REPRESENTS ME" and input your address and zip code. Every Alaskan has one Senator and one House Representative based on your home address.