House Democrats Pick Leadership

ANCHORAGE – House Democrats met today and announced minority leadership and committee assignments for the 23rd Alaska Legislature. Representative Ethan Berkowitz (D-Anchorage) continues as Minority Leader for the caucus.

Representative Beth Kerttula (D-Juneau) is Minority Whip. Representatives Eric Croft (D-Anchorage), Reggie Joule (D-Kotzebue) and Carl Moses (D-Unalaska) were selected to serve on the House Finance committee.

“Alaskans come first,” said Rep. Berkowitz. “We will work for real jobs with real opportunities, for quality education and a safe and healthy Alaska.”

Democrats also named picks for House standing committees:
Rules: Berkowitz, Kerttula
Committee on Committees: Berkowitz, Kerttula
HESS: Rep. Sharon Cissna (D-Anchorage), Rep. Mary Kapsner (D-Bethel)
Judiciary: Rep.-elect Les Gara (D-Anchorage), Rep.-elect Max Gruenberg (D-Anchorage)
Resources: Rep.-elect David Guttenberg (D-Fairbanks), Kerttula
State Affairs: Berkowitz, Gruenberg
Labor & Commerce: Rep. Harry Crawford (D-Anchorage), Guttenberg
Transportation: Kapsner, Rep. Albert Kookesh (D-Angoon)
C&RA: Cissna, Kookesh
Education: Gara, Kookesh
Oil & Gas: Crawford, Kerttula
Fish: Berkowitz, Guttenberg
Econ: Cissna, Crawford
MVA: Cissna, Gruenberg
Regulation Review: Gara
Leg. Council: Berkowitz
LB&A: Joule, Kerttula
Ethics: Kapsner, alternate: Kerttula


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