Severson seated on HESS Committee

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JUNEAU — Martin Severson, I-Naknek, was sworn in January 31, as Representative of District 16 in the Tenth Alaska Legislature.

Nels Anderson, D-Dillingham, would have been seated in the legislature had not a Juneau Superior Court Judge ruled that election officials in District 16 had illegally written Anderson's name on some ballots in the November general election. Anderson waged a write-in campaign against former lawmaker Joe McGill of Dillingham.

Severson, entering the legislature on the 22nd day, has been appointed to the Health Education and Social Services (HESS) and labor and management committees. Severson has also taken the seat formerly held by Nels Anderson on the bush caucus.