

1 IN THE SENATE

BY COMMITTEE ON HEALTH,  
WELFARE AND EDUCATION

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SENATE BILL NO. 71

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

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TWENTY-THIRD SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to licensing and inspection of hospitals, nursing homes and public health centers; amending Sections 40-6-2, 40-6-3, 40-6-5, and 40-6-9, ACLA 1949."

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11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA:

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Section 1. Sec. 40-6-2, ACLA 1949, is hereby amended to

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read as follows:

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Sec. 40-6-2. PURPOSE OF ACT. The purpose of this Act

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is to provide for the development, establishment and enforce-

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ment of standards (1) for the care and treatment of indi-

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viduals in hospitals, convalescent homes, nursing homes

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and public health centers and (2) for the construction,

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maintenance and operation of hospitals, which, in the light

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of advancing knowledge, will promote safe and adequate

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treatment of such individuals in hospitals.

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Sec. 2. Sec. 40-6-3, ACLA 1949, is hereby amended to read

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as follows:

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Sec. 40-6-3. LICENSE. After September 1, 1947, no per-

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son or governmental unit, except the Government of the

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United States, acting severally or jointly with any other

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person or governmental unit shall establish, conduct or

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maintain a hospital in the Territory of Alaska without a

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license under this law.

1       Sec. 3. Sec. 40-6-5, ACLA 1949, is hereby amended to read:

2           Sec. 40-6-5. ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL AND POSTING OF LICENSE  
3 AND POSTING. Upon receipt of an application for license and  
4 the license fee, the Licensing Agency shall issue a license  
5 if the applicant AND or hospital facilities meet the require-  
6 ments established under this law. If the applicant or hospi-  
7 tal facilities do not meet the requirements established under  
8 this law but continued efforts are made to comply with such  
9 requirements, then such applicant or hospital may be granted  
10 a temporary or provisional license for a reasonable period  
11 of time. A license, unless sooner suspended or revoked,  
12 shall be renewable annually without charge upon filing by  
13 the licensee, and approval by the Licensing Agency, of an  
14 annual report upon such uniform dates and containing such  
15 information in such form as the Licensing Agency prescribes  
16 by regulation. Each license shall be issued only for the pre-  
17 mises and persons or governmental units named in the applica-  
18 tion and shall not be transferable or assignable except with  
19 the written approval of the Licensing Agency. Licenses shall  
20 be posted in a conspicuous place on the licensed premises.

21       Sec. 4. Sec. 40-6-9, ACLA 1949, is hereby amended to read:

22           Sec. 40-6-9. INSPECTION AND CONSULTATION: SUBMISSION  
23 OF PLANS FOR ALTERATIONS OR ADDITIONS. The Licensing Agency  
24 shall make or cause to be made such inspections and investi-  
25 gations annually AS IT DEEMS NECESSARY. The Licensing  
26 Agency may prescribe by regulations that any licensee or  
27 applicant desiring to make specified types of alteration  
28 or addition to its facilities or to construct new facilities  
29 shall before commencing such alteration, addition or new

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construction, submit plans and specifications therefor to  
the Licensing Agency for preliminary inspection and approval  
or recommendations with respect to compliance with the  
regulations and standards herein authorized. Necessary  
conferences and consultations may be provided.