

1 IN THE SENATE

BY COMMITTEE ON HEALTH,
WELFARE AND EDUCATION

2 SENATE BILL NO. 71

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

4 TWENTY-THIRD SESSION

5 A BILL

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

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

13 Section 1. Sec. 40-6-2, ACLA 1949, is hereby amended to
14 read as follows:

15 Sec. 40-6-2. PURPOSE OF ACT. The purpose of this Act
16 is to provide for the development, establishment and enforce-
17 ment of standards (1) for the care and treatment of ind-
18 ividuals in hospitals, convalescent homes, nursing homes and
19 public health centers and (2) for the construction, mainten-
20 ance and operation of hospitals, which, in the light of advanc-
21 ing knowledge, will promote safe and adequate treatment of
22 such individuals in hospitals.

23 Sec. 2. The words "hospital" or "hospitals" when used here-
24 inafter in this Act shall include convalescent homes, nursing
25 homes and public health centers.

26 Sec. 3. Sec. 40-6-3, ACLA 1949, is hereby amended to read
27 as follows:

28 Sec. 40-6-3. LICENSE. After September 1, 1947, no per-
29 son or government unit, except the Government of the United
30 States, acting severally or jointly with any other person

1 or governmental unit shall establish, conduct or maintain
2 a hospital in the Territory of Alaska without a license
3 under this law.

4 Sec. 4. Sec. 40-6-5, ACLA 1949, is hereby amended to read
5 as follows:

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

26 Sec. 5. Sec. 40-6-9, ACLA 1949, is hereby amended to read
27 as follows:

28 Sec. 40-6-9. INSPECTION AND CONSULTATION: SUBMISSION
29 OF PLANS FOR ALTERATIONS OR ADDITIONS. The Licensing Agency

30 SB #71, re-engrossed
31 as amended by the House

1 shall make or cause to be made such inspections and investi-
2 gations annually AS IT DEEMS NECESSARY. The Licensing
3 Agency may prescribe by regulations that any licensee or
4 applicant desiring to make specified types of alteration
5 or addition to its facilities or to construct new facilities
6 shall before commencing such alteration, addition or new
7 construction, submit plans and specifications therefor to
8 the Licensing Agency for preliminary inspection and approval
9 or recommendations with respect to compliance with the
10 regulations and standards herein authorized. Necessary
11 conferences and consultations may be provided.

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