

ment in separate counts; and if two or more indictments are found in such cases, the court may order them to be consolidated."

Approved April 26, 1913.

## CHAPTER 40.

(H. B. NO. 76.)

AN ACT to provide for the appointment of commissioners for the promotion of uniformity of legislation in the United States.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska:*

Appointment  
Commissioners  
on Uniform  
Legislation

Section 1. Within thirty (30) days after the passage of this act the Governor shall appoint by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, three commissioners, who, with their successors, are hereby constituted a Board of Commissioners by the name and style of "The Board of Commissioners for the Promotion of Uniform Legislation in the United States." All appointments hereunder shall be submitted to the Senate by the Governor on the first day the Senate may be in session after the same are made. The Senate may approve or disapprove any such appointment before its final adjournment; and, if any such appointment be so disapproved by the Senate the office shall become vacant. If the Senate shall fail to act upon any such appointment before its final adjournment, the office shall become vacant upon the final adjournment of the Senate.

Sec. 2. Term of Office—The term of office of the first three commissioners appointed hereunder shall be two, four and six years respectively; but the term of office

of the successors thereof appointed at the expiration of the terms of said first commissioners shall be six years each, one commissioner to be appointed every two years hereafter.

Sec. 3. Vacancies, How Filled.—Vacancies in said board shall be filled by the Governor by appointment as above provided, the appointment being for the unexpired term of the retiring commissioner and the person so appointed shall hold office until the Senate shall act thereon; or if the Senate shall fail to act thereon, then until the final adjournment thereof.

Sec. 4. Compensation and Expenses.—No commissioner appointed hereunder shall receive any compensation for his services as such, but each commissioner shall be entitled to and shall receive from the Territory, his actual and necessary expenses incurred in performing the duties of his office, which expenses shall include those incurred in proceeding to and from and while in attendance on meetings of this board, the annual meetings of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws or other conventions of commissioners or delegates assembled for like purpose and meetings of the Committees of the said National Conference whenever a number (member) of this board shall be a member of any such Committees.

Sec. 5. Duties of Commissioner.—The Board shall examine into and collect and arrange data as to prevailing laws in the United States and other countries upon the subjects of marriage, divorce, insolvency, wills, executors and administrators, probate practice, taxation, commercial law, civil and criminal practice in the courts, elections, insurance, real property, all phases of corporation law, forms of notarial certificates, vital statistics, attachments, banking, partnership and other subjects in which uniformity shall be deemed important. It shall investigate the best means to effect an assimilation and uniformity of the laws of the several states, territories,

and districts of the United States, and to investigate and report upon like matters whenever the same shall be referred to it for investigation or action, either by the Governor or the Legislature.

Sec. 6. Meetings.—This board shall meet at least once each year at such time and place as shall be most convenient for a majority of the members thereof and shall hold so many other meetings as shall be necessary, Provided, however, that one meeting of the Commission shall be held biennially at the City of Juneau, at the time of the convening of the regular session of the Legislature. At least one member of said board shall attend each meeting of the National Conference on Uniform State Laws.

Sec. 7. Records and Reports.—The board shall keep full records of its proceedings and shall, not less than thirty days before the commencement of each regular session of the Legislature present to the Governor of the Territory a report of its proceedings and transactions, together with such recommendations as it shall deem proper, which report and recommendation shall be by the Governor transmitted to the Legislature at the convening thereof.

Sec. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Governor of the Territory.

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