

CHAPTER 22

AN ACT

(H. B. 84)

To amend Section 324, Chapter 2, of the Compiled Laws of the Territory of Alaska, relating to the establishment and maintenance of schools for white children and children of mixed blood outside of municipalities, and repealing Chapter 59, Session Laws, 1915.

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

Section 1. That Section 324, Chapter 2, of the Compiled Laws of the Territory of Alaska, relating to the establishment and maintenance of schools for white children and children of mixed blood outside of municipalities be amended to read as follows:

“Section 324.” The clerk of the district court shall have the power, and it shall be his duty, in the division to which he is appointed and in which he resides, upon petition as hereinafter specified, to establish by order in writing a school district at any camp, village, or settlement outside of the limits of any incorporated town, but such school district shall not embrace more than forty square miles of territory, nor contain less than ten resident white children between the ages of six and twenty years. The said petition shall specify as near as may be the location and boundary of the proposed school district, the number of people, the number of families, and the number of children between the ages of six and twenty years resident therein, and such other material facts as tend to show the necessity for the establishment of the school district. Said petition shall be signed by not less than twelve persons of adult age who are citizens of the United States or have declared their intention to become such and who reside within the boundaries of the proposed school district. If the clerk of the court is satisfied that it is necessary and proper to grant such petition, he shall make an order in writing establishing the school district prayed for, describing the same and defining its boundaries, and he shall also in

Amends Sec.
324, Ch. 2
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Clerk of Dist.
Court to
establish
school districts
When.

Petition to
be filed and
contents.

Qualifications
of petitioners

Contents
of order
establishing.

Election of
Board.

Vacancies,
how filled.

Duties and
Qualification
of Treasurer.

Powers of
Board.

To hold
office for
one year.

said order appoint three of the petitioners to supervise and give notice of the first election, and shall specify the time and place of the same. The original order shall remain on file in the records of the court, and a copy of the same shall be posted at three public places in the school district at least ten days before the election, and such postings shall be deemed a sufficient notice of said election. All persons qualified to sign said petition shall be qualified to vote at said election. The qualified voters of said school district shall at said election choose by a plurality vote a school board of three members, consisting of a clerk, a treasurer, and a director, who shall, before entering upon the duties of their trust, each take an oath in writing to honorably and faithfully discharge the duties of their office. In case a vacancy in the membership of said board occurs from death, resignation, removal, or other cause, such vacancy may be filled by a special election, upon ten days' notice, called by the remaining members of the board, upon the petition of five qualified voters. The treasurer shall be the custodian of the monies of the school district and he shall before entering upon the duties of his office, give his bond to the school district, with sufficient sureties, to be approved by the clerk of the court, and in such sum as he may direct, but not less than twice the amount of money that may come into his hands as treasurer, conditioned that he, the treasurer, will honestly and faithfully disburse and account for all the money that may come into his hands by virtue of his office. Said board shall have the power to build or rent the necessary school house or school rooms, to equip the same with the necessary furniture and fixtures, to provide fuel and light, to hire and employ teachers, and in general to do and perform everything that may be necessary for the maintenance of the public school. The members of said board shall hold office for the term of one year and until their successors are elected and qualified. An annual election shall be held each year, after the first election, for the election of members of said board. As soon as the mem-

bers of said school board have been elected and qualified, they shall send to the clerk of the court and file in his office a certificate of their election under the hand and seal of the judges or supervisors of election, their oaths of office, and the bond of the treasurer, and the clerk of the court shall file said papers and carefully keep them as a part of the files and records of his office, and he shall at once send to the governor of the District of Alaska a certified copy of said papers, together with a certified copy of the order establishing the school district, and the governor shall duly file and preserve the same. The said board, as soon as they have complied with the requirements aforesaid, shall immediately report in writing to the Governor the number of children in their school district between the ages of six and twenty years that intend to attend a public school, and the wages per month for which a teacher can be obtained; and after a school has been opened and maintained they shall, at the end of each school term, report to the governor in writing the length of the term, the wages paid the teacher, the total number of pupils in attendance, and the daily average of such attendance at such term. The governor shall assign and set apart to each school district established and organized under the provisions of this section a sum, not less than Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00), nor more than Eighteen Hundred Dollars (\$1800.00), in proportion to the number of pupils in the district, for the construction and equipment of a school house, which sum shall be paid by the Secretary of the Treasury to the Treasurer of the school district, upon the order and voucher of the governor out of that portion of said Alaska fund, set apart for the establishment and maintenance of public schools. The residue of said portion of said fund, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall by the governor be apportioned among the several school districts established under the provisions of this section, in amounts sufficient for each district, to pay the wages of a teacher, together with the expense of fuel and light for five months school

Certificate of election to be filed.

Board to report to Governor.

Appropriation for maintenance, how calculated.

How paid.

each year. And the amount so apportioned to each school district shall be paid to the treasurer of the district by the Secretary of the Treasury upon the order and voucher of the governor out of said portion of said fund.

Section 2. That Chapter 59, Session Laws of 1915, an Act entitled: "To amend Section 324 of Chapter 2, of the Compiled Laws of the Territory of Alaska," is hereby repealed.

Approved May 1, 1917.

CHAPTER 23.

AN ACT

(H. B. 38)

To amend Chapter 48 of the Session Laws of Alaska, 1913, entitled 'An Act to provide for the formation of banking corporations and to regulate the business of banking in the Territory of Alaska, and securing supervision thereof; for the appointment of a Territorial Banking Board, defining its duties and fixing penalties for the violation of this Act.

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

Amendment
Sec. 8 Ch. 48
S. L., 1913.

Section 1. That Section 8 of Chapter 48 of the Session Laws of Alaska, 1913, be amended to read as follows:

Powers of
banking corpo-
rations
defined.

Section 8. Upon making and filing the articles of incorporation as hereinbefore prescribed, such bank shall become a body corporate, and as such shall have the power to adopt and use a corporate seal; to have succession for the term of years mentioned in its articles of incorporation; to make contracts; to sue and be sued the same as a natural person; to elect directors, who shall have power to appoint such officers as may be necessary or convenient; to define their powers and duties and to dismiss them at pleasure, and shall also have general superintendence and control of the affairs of such corporation; to prescribe, by its stockholders, by-laws not inconsistent with law regulating the manner in which its stock shall be transferred, its directors and officers elect-