

of the school board, submitting the said expense account, and shall be deposited in the school fund of the incorporated town, city or incorporated school district in which such expense was incurred, and the amount so received shall be transferred to no other fund of the said incorporated town, city or incorporated school district. Provided the Territorial Treasurer may transfer by telegraph amounts of said warrants in settlement thereof under such regulations as the Territorial Treasurer may prescribe.

Approved May 2, 1917.

## CHAPTER 29.

### AN ACT

(S. B. 77)

To make libel and slander a misdemeanor and to prescribe the punishment therefor.

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

Section 1. That if any person shall wilfully speak, write, or in any other manner, publish of, or concerning another, any defamatory or scandalous matter with intent to injure or defame such other person, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof he shall be punished by imprisonment in the jail for a period of not less than six months, or by a fine of not less than Fifty Dollars nor more than Five Hundred Dollars, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Any allusion to any person or family, with intent to injure, defame or maliciously annoy such family shall be deemed to come within the provisions of this section.

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Penalty.

Section 2. In all prosecutions under this act, the truth of the defamatory or scandalous matter shall be a defense only when uttered or published with good motives and for justifiable ends.

When truth  
a defense.

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