

1915, entitled, 'An Act to provide allowances for certain residents of Alaska, and for other purposes', be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Approved April 26, 1919.

CHAPTER 18.

AN ACT

(S. B. 27)

Relating to the establishment and maintenance of schools for white children and children of mixed blood outside of incorporated towns, and incorporated school districts, and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. 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 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, or children of the mixed blood who lead a civilized life, between the ages of six and seventeen 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 seventeen 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 eight persons of adult age who are citizens of the United States, or who 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

Clerk District Court to establish school districts outside incorporated towns

Petition for establishment by inhabitants and contents

Order for the establishment by inhabitants and contents

Order for the establishment and contents

Order for the establishment of the districts to be in writing

Notice of election to be given

Voters to choose school board at election

Oaths of members of school board

Vacancies in school board—how filled

Treasurer of school board—duties of

To give bond

Board to have power to provide school house and for maintenance of school

for, describing the same, and defining its boundaries, and he shall also in 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 posting shall be deemed a sufficient notice of said election.

Section 2. 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.

Section 3. The treasurer shall be the custodian of the moneys of the school district and he shall before entering upon the duties of his office, give his bond to the school district, with sufficient securities, 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.

Section 4. 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 members 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 Commissioner of Education of the Territory of Alaska a certified copy of said papers, together with a certified copy of the order establishing the school district, and the Commissioner of Education shall duly file and preserve the same as records of the Territorial Board of Education.

Election of school board to be held annually

Certificates of election to be filed with clerk of court

Section 5. The said board, as soon as they have complied with the requirements aforesaid, shall immediately report in writing to the Commissioner of Education, the number of children in their school district between the ages of six and seventeen 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 Commissioner of Education, 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, and shall make such other reports as the Territorial Board of Education, or the Commissioner of Education may require.

Board to report to Commissioner of Education

Contents of report

Section 6. Where necessary, the Commissioner of Education, with the approval of the Governor, as chairman of the Territorial Board of Education, may assign

Funds for erection of school houses—how provided

and set apart to each school district established and organized under the provisions of this act, a sum, not less than Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00), nor more than Eighteen Hundred Dollars (\$1800.00), for the construction and equipment of a school house, which sum shall be paid from the Territorial Treasury to the Treasurer of the school district, upon the order and voucher of the Governor, as chairman of the Board of Education, out of an appropriation set apart for the establishment and maintenance of public schools, The residue of said appropriation, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall by the Commissioner of Education, with the approval of the Governor, as chairman of the Territorial Board of Education, be apportioned among the several school districts established under the provisions of this act, in amounts sufficient for each district, to pay the wages of a teacher, together with the expenses of fuel and light for not more than nine school months in any one year. And the amount so apportioned to each school district shall be paid to the Treasurer of the district from the Territorial Treasury upon the order and voucher of the Governor, as chairman of the Board of Education, as other Territorial expenses are paid.

Funds for main-  
tenance of  
school—how  
provided

Schools subject  
to provisions of  
Chapter 64,  
Laws 1917

Section 7. Schools established under this act shall be subject to all of the provisions of Chapter 64, Session Laws of 1917, being "An Act to establish a uniform school system in the Territory of Alaska," and shall be under the supervision, government and control of the Territorial Board of Education.

Schools estab-  
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sions of this act

And all schools established under the provisions of Chapter 59, Session Laws of 1915, or under the provisions of Chapter 22, Session Laws of 1917, which are now, or may hereafter receive aid from Territorial Funds, shall be subject to the provisions of this Act and to the provisions of said Chapter 64, Session Laws of 1917.

Section 8. Except with the consent of the Territorial Board of Education, no part of the appropriation for the support of schools outside of incorporated towns, and outside of incorporated school districts shall be used for the support of a school in an incorporated city or town, of the first or second class; nor for the support of a school in an incorporated school district; nor for the support of a school in an unincorporated school district, which has a population of more than one hundred and contains more than thirty school children between the ages of six and twenty years, but such unincorporated school district may incorporate under the provisions of Chapter 5, Session Laws of 1917, and shall then be entitled to receive support from the appropriation for the support of schools in incorporated towns, and in incorporated school districts.

Limitation of use of appropriations

Section 9. This Act shall take effect immediately after its passage and approval.

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CHAPTER 19.

AN ACT

(H. B. 35)

To appropriate funds for the necessary expenses of the Territorial Council of Defense, and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. That there be, and hereby is, appropriated the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00), out of any funds in the Territorial Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to be used to defray the necessary expenses of the Territorial Council of Defense.

Appropriation for Council of Defense

Section 2. That the Governor of the Territory of Alaska is hereby authorized to disburse the said appropriation in such a manner as to best promote the object

Governor to disburse