

CHAPTER 14.

AN ACT

[H. B. 10]

To amend Section 1923 Compiled Laws of Alaska relative to larceny of domestic animals.

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

Section 1. That section 1923 of the Compiled Laws of Alaska be amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 1923. That if any person shall commit the crime of larceny by stealing any horse, gelding, mare, colt, mule, ass, jenny, bull, steer, cow, calf, goat, sheep, reindeer, or fox, such person, upon conviction thereof shall be punished as follows: If the property so stolen shall exceed in value thirty-five dollars, by imprisonment in the penitentiary not less than one nor more than ten years; but if the property so stolen shall not exceed in value thirty-five dollars, by imprisonment in jail not less than one month nor more than one year, or by fine not less than twenty-five nor more than one hundred dollars.”

Larceny by stealing certain animals.

Approved April 21, 1925.

CHAPTER 15.

AN ACT

[H. B. 16]

To appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$17,200.00), to aid shipping in the Territory of Alaska, along the coast of Seward Peninsula, from St. Michaels to Kotzebue, and for advertising for bids, and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. That the Governor of Alaska is authorized to pay a sum of money, not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), and not to exceed Five

Governor to subsidize certain vessels for specific trade.

Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) in any one year, to the owner or charterer of any ship or vessel of American registry, of a cargo capacity of not less than forty (40) tons under deck and a passenger capacity of not less than twenty (20) persons, and a loaded draft of not to exceed seven (7) feet, and of a maximum speed of not less than eight (8) knots per hour, who shall operate such ship or vessel in the coastwise trade, as a common carrier of freight and passengers, from Nome to Kotzebue, touching at Teller, Wales, Shismareff, Deering, Keewalik, and making not less than seven (7) regular stated trips and return not less than once each two (2) weeks during the season when navigation is open in the aforementioned waters under such conditions as are provided for in Sections 8 and 9 of this Act.

Nome to
Kotzebue.

Number of
trips.

Section 2. That the Governor of the Territory of Alaska is authorized to pay a sum of money not to exceed Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00), and not to exceed Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00), during any one year, to the owner or charterer of any ship or vessel of American registry, of a cargo capacity of not less than forty (40) tons under deck and a passenger capacity of not less than twenty (20) persons, and of a loaded draft of not to exceed seven (7) feet, and of a maximum speed of not less than eight (8) knots per hour, who shall operate such ship or vessel in the coastwise trade, as a common carrier of freight and passengers, from Nome to St. Michaels, touching at Solomon, Bluff, Chinik, Unalakleet, and make not less than sixteen (16) regular stated trips and return not less than once each week during the season when navigation is open in the aforementioned waters, under such conditions as are provided for in Sections 8 and 9 of this Act.

Nome to
St. Michaels

Section 3. That the Governor of the Territory of Alaska, upon the passage and approval of this Act,

shall call for bids or offers to operate such ships or vessels of the size and speed herein required over the aforementioned routes, which call shall define the specifications for passenger accommodations to be afforded by such ship or vessel, which accommodations shall be reasonable and in accordance with the size of such ship or vessel. That the said subsidies shall be paid the owners or charterers of such ships or vessels which comply with the requirements of this Act, and with the specifications for passenger accommodations set forth in the Governor's call for bids, and which give the best assurance of performing the service herein contemplated. That the awards of such subsidies shall be in the discretion of the Governor of the Territory, who may arrange for the payment of a lesser amount than the maximum sum appropriated. That the Treasurer of the Territory shall pay to the person, persons, or corporation to whom the aforementioned subsidies shall be awarded the amount of money due such person, persons, or corporation thereunder upon the requisition of the Governor and on his certificate that the services have been performed by the party or person therein mentioned. That the proof of the size and speed of the ship or vessel, and of the performance of the services required shall be made by the owner, charterer, or master, in duplicate, under oath, upon forms to be prescribed by the Governor, one of which will remain in the office of the Governor and the other to be filed with the Territorial Treasurer, and shall accompany the requisition for payment.

Call for bids for service and award of subsidy.

Subsidy, how paid.

Section 4. That said money shall be paid at the end of each season, and as soon after the completion of the services for each season, as the making of proof and the necessary examination thereof by the Governor will admit. That if the party or person receiving said subsidies shall fail to make the required number of voyages, they shall be paid only the pro-rata share for the voyages made; Provided, however, that inability,

Payments how made and when.

due to stress of weather, to touch at intermediate points along said routes, not provided with proper docking or harbor facilities, shall not prevent the owner or charterer of such ship or vessel from receiving the moneys hereby appropriated, otherwise earned, nor shall the inability to touch at such places, for the reasons hereinabove stated, be made a cause for reducing the amount of the subsidy for any such voyage made.

Proviso.

Section 5. The owners or charterers, when awarded a subsidy, shall immediately publish a tariff of freight and passenger rates, which rates shall be reasonable, under penalty of forfeiture of the subsidy; and the Governor, when he so finds, shall have the power to declare a rate or rates excessive.

Owners or charterers to publish reasonable tariff rates.

Section 6. That the Governor shall be authorized to expend a sum of money not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), for advertising for said bids or offers in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

Section 7. The sum of Seventeen Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$17,200.00) is hereby appropriated from any moneys in the Territorial Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act.

Appropriation.

Section 8. It shall be a condition in the awarding of any contract or subsidy under this Act that the contractor shall agree to make a report, under oath, at the end of each year to the Treasurer of Alaska, giving the following information:

Annual Report to be made by contractor.

(a) Tariff sheet of freight and passenger rates for the route covered;

(b) Total tonnage and total number of passengers carried;

(c) Gross earnings from passenger, freight and mail service rendered, segregating the same according to the three classes here mentioned;

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(d) The gross expense and the gross earnings of the route covered.

Section 9. It being the intention of this Act that the contractor shall receive only such portion of the subsidy as shall be necessary to bring the net profits up to the amount of the subsidy, only such part of the subsidy shall be paid the contractor as, when added to the net profits, make a total not exceeding the total amount of the subsidy such contractor would be entitled to receive under the prior provisions of this Act.

Amount of
subsidy, how
arrived at.

Section 10. An emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval.

Emergency.

Approved April 21, 1925.

CHAPTER 16.

AN ACT.

[S. B. 13]

Regulating the method of choosing juries in the courts of the Territory of Alaska, prescribing certain of the qualifications of jurors, and repealing Chapter 91 of the Session Laws of Alaska, 1923, and all acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Prior to the drawing of any jury, either grand or petit, in the District Court for the Territory of Alaska, the Judge of the Court shall appoint a Jury Commissioner who shall be a citizen of good standing, residing in the Division in which such Court is held, and a well known member of the principal political party opposed to that to which the Clerk may belong. Any Jury Commissioner, when once appointed as herein provided, may serve for the drawing of all juries in the Judicial Division of the Court for which he is appointed until the appointment of his successor or until removed

Jury Commis-
sioner appointed
by Judge.

Term.