

CHAPTER 5.

AN ACT

[S. B. 4]

To amend Chapter XXX, Article III, Sections 1791, 1792, 1793, 1794, and 1795, and Article IV, Sections 1801, and 1802, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, relating to temporary relief of destitution, titution.

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

Amended.

Section 1. That Section 1791, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, be amended to read as follows:

Board of Public Welfare—
Supervisor of Needy—
Authorized Delegate Powers.

Section 1791. **The Board of Public Welfare is supervisor of the needy; may delegate authority.** The Board of Public Welfare is vested with the entire and exclusive superintendence of the needy, with authority to delegate its powers and duties provided for in this Act to the Director of Public Welfare.

Amended.

Section 2. That Section 1792, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, be amended to read as follows:

Relatives to Reimburse, when.

Section 1792. **Relatives must support and bury indigent,—definition of term.** Every person without means who is unable to earn a livelihood in consequence of immaturity, sickness or physical infirmity, shall be an indigent within the meaning of this article, must be supported while living and when he dies be given a decent burial, by the father, mother, grandfather, grandmother, children, grandchildren, brothers or sisters of such indigent person, if they, or either of them, be of sufficient ability, in the order named; and every such person who fails to support such indigent relative when directed by the Board of Public Welfare to do so, or fails to give such indigent a decent burial when he dies, must reimburse the Territory or

any municipality thereof for any funds expended by them or either of them for the relief or burial of such indigent, not however, to exceed the rate of thirty dollars per month for support and one hundred dollars for burial, and such sums with interest and costs may be recovered by the Territory or any municipality thereof in a civil action; provided, however, that when any person becomes indigent as the result of intemperance or other vice no other relative except parents and children shall be under obligation to support or bury him.

Maximum
reimbursement.

Suit to recover.
Exception.

Section 3. That Section 1793, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, be amended to read as follows: Amended.

Section 1793. **Territory grants temporary relief, when.** Whenever any such indigent as is described in the preceding section is not entitled to the benefits of the Alaska Old-Age Assistance Law or of Article I of this Chapter and has no relatives in the Territory liable for his support pursuant to the preceding section, such indigent may receive temporary relief in such form and such amount as the Board of Public Welfare deems necessary; provided that no individual shall receive an amount in excess of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) during any calendar month, exclusive of cost of medical attention in case of sickness.

Temporary
Relief, when,
Limitations.

Section 4. That Section 1794, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, be amended to read as follows: Amended.

Section 1794. **Reimbursement for services rendered indigents.** The Board of Public Welfare shall have power to reimburse hospitals and physicians for expenses incurred and services rendered for relief of indigents who have no relatives within the Territory liable for this support. No charge for expense incurred under the provisions of this section shall be in excess of the expenses actually and necessarily incurred, and

Reimburse
Hospitals and
Physicians.

the following schedule of fees shall be the maximum paid by the Territory:

Maximum charges.

Medical attendance \$1.00 per visit.

Minor operations \$5.00.

Digital amputation \$10.00.

Major operations \$50.00.

Amended.

Section 5. That Section 1795, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, be amended to read as follows:

Burial.

Section 1795. **Territory provided burial, when.** The Board of Public Welfare shall have authority to provide decent burial for indigents who have no known relatives within the Territory liable for such expense.

Amended.

Section 6. That Section 1801, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, be amended to read as follows:

Relief of Dire Need, how expended.

Section 1801. **Funds for relief of dire need,—how expended.** The Legislature may from time to time appropriate money for the relief of the sick, unfortunate, and needy in this Territory, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Public Welfare or such agent as it may designate. The money so appropriated shall be expended for the aid and relief of the sick or unfortunate who are in dire need of assistance.

Amended.

Section 7. That Section 1802, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, be amended to read as follows:

Allotment, how distributed.

Section 1802. **Allotment to Division—how distributed.** The Board of Public Welfare or its agents shall allot the money appropriated under the preceding section to the several divisions according to their needs but only one-half (1/2) of the money appropriated shall be so

allotted for each year of the biennium. The money so allotted shall be expended under the direction of the Board or its agent for the aid and relief of persons in dire need in the Territory, and may be used for the purchase of food, clothing, or other necessary supplies, for hospital services, medical attention, transportation, or in any such other ways as the Board of Public Welfare or its agent may direct. The money shall be expended on vouchers signed by the person benefited and approved in writing by the Board of Public Welfare or its agent, and paid by warrants drawn on the Treasurer.

Approved April 2, 1937.

CHAPTER 6.

AN ACT

[S. B. 8]

To amend Sections 1913 and 1915, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, relative to Juveniles.

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

Section 1. Section 1913, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, is hereby amended to read as follows: Amended.

Section 1913. **Board of Children's Guardians; Members; Compensation; Term; Organization.** In each judicial division of the Territory of Alaska there is hereby created a "Board of Children's Guardians" composed of the district judge of the division, the United States marshal of the division and one woman resident of the division, who shall be appointed by the Department of Public Welfare and shall serve for a term of three years

Board of Children's Guardians for each Division.