

Section 5. An emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval. ^{Emergency.}

Approved March 9, 1939.

CHAPTER 86.

AN ACT

[H. B. 16]

To provide for the obtaining of bids and awarding of contracts for all purchases in excess of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), made in behalf of the Territory of Alaska, repealing Sections 2801 and 2802 of the Compiled Laws of Alaska 1933, and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. Every public office, institution, officer or employee of the Territory of Alaska shall obtain sealed competitive bids in writing for all purchases of any kind made in behalf of the Territory of Alaska, where the cost shall be in excess of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), and shall award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder subject, however, to the following conditions:

(a) That wherever amount of materials or supplies necessary for a year's time at any institution in the Territory can be reasonably computed, the call for bids shall specify the amounts and conditions of delivery.

Contents of call for bids.

(b) In contracts where the amount involved is in excess of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), the call for bids must be published in a newspaper as near as possible to the place where the contract is to be performed or in the town in which the head office and the administration is situated; such publications to

Where amount involved exceeds \$1,000.00.

be made at least one each week for a period of three weeks, and by posting notices in three public places within the town where the work is to be performed or material furnished.

Where amount involved is less than \$1,000.00.

(c) In the case of all other calls for bids, the call shall be issued not less than seventy-two (72) hours before the contracts are to be awarded, and all bids shall be opened publicly at the time and place mentioned in the call for bids.

Common carriers.

(d) That provisions of this Act shall include all forms of common carriers and particularly boats, airplanes, and buses, but shall not extend to payment made to common carriers operating scheduled trips at regular tariffs offered the general public.

Exceptions.

(e) Provisions of this Act shall not apply in the case of emergencies but vouchers covering expenses incurred in such cases must be accompanied by a statement showing in detail the emergency, with the approval of the head of the office of the department expending the money.

The provisions of this Act shall not apply to the purchase of food, clothing, or medical supplies.

Repealing conflicting acts.

Section 2. Sections 2801 and 2802 of the Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, are hereby repealed.

Emergency.

Section 3. An emergency is hereby declared and this Act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

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