

a term of four years and may be removed at the pleasure of the Commission. No person shall be appointed Director unless he is a citizen of the United States, a resident of this Territory and has been such resident at least five years immediately preceding his appointment. The Director shall be subject to the supervision and direction of the Commission and shall perform such duties as the Commission may assign to him."

Section 2. An emergency is hereby declared to exist <sup>Emergency.</sup> and this Act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

Approved March 19, 1945.

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## CHAPTER 21

### AN ACT

[S. B. 11]

Amending Sections 1792 and 1795 Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, as amended by Chapter 5 Sections 2 and 5 Session Laws of Alaska 1937, relative to burial of indigents; and setting rates for such burials.

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

Section 1. That Section 1792 Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, as amended by Chapter 5 Section 2 Extraordinary Session Laws of Alaska 1937, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 1792. Relatives must support and bury indigents,—definition of term. Every person without means who is unable to earn a

Relatives must support.

Must reimburse Territory if paid by Welfare Department.

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 Twenty-Five (\$125.00) Dollars for burial, and such sums with interest and costs may be recovered by the Territory or any municipality thereof in a civil action."

Section 2. That Section 1795 Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, as amended by Chapter 5 Section 5 Extraordinary Session Laws of Alaska 1937, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Authority to provide burial and amount.

"Section 1795. Territory provides 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, at not to exceed a total cost of One Hundred Twenty-Five (\$125.00) Dollars."

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