

LAWS OF ALASKA

CHAPTER 1

AN ACT

[S. B. 8]

To amend Sections 1, 2 and 3 of Chapter 46, Session Laws of Alaska, 1943, regarding care of Tuberculous persons, and repealing Section 4 of said Chapter; to appropriate \$250,000.00; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. That Section 1 of Chapter 46, Session Laws of Alaska, 1943, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. The Territorial Department of Health is hereby authorized to establish a comprehensive program for the control of Tuberculosis in Alaska, and is hereby empowered to:

Tuberculosis
program
authorized.

(a) Arrange means by which all persons in Alaska may be x-rayed to determine the presence of tuberculosis.

X-ray
examinations.

(b) Establish necessary out-patient clinics for the care of tuberculosis.

(c) Encourage and promote the establish-

Establish
sanitorium.

ment of adequate sanatorium facilities within the Territory to care for its people suffering from tuberculosis and allied conditions.

Obtain surplus
medical property.

(d) Obtain by purchase or donation from surplus Federal property or otherwise, medical supplies and equipment, available now or to become available, that may be useful to the carrying out of this program and to allot or resell such supplies and equipment to private institutions engaged by the Health Department in the carrying out of this program.

(e) Contract with hospitals or associations, or sanatoria, who are qualified and equipped to give adequate care within or without the Territory.

(f) Employ necessary and trained personnel to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Expenses, by
whom paid.

(g) Pay the costs of care and incidental expense for resident Alaskans, either in whole or in part, depending on the ability of respective patients to pay, and the temporary costs of care and transportation for non-residents on the same basis until such time as they can be transferred to the jurisdiction of their residence.

(h) Enlist the cooperation of all Territorial and Federal agencies operating in Alaska for the furtherance of this Tuberculosis program.

(i) Establish standards in accordance with authorized Board of Health procedure for the care of all tuberculous persons receiving treatment under this Act.

Section 2. That Section 2 of Chapter 46, Session Laws of Alaska, 1943, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 2. The Department of Health, in conducting a study and case finding survey of the Tuberculosis problem, shall avail itself of the cooperation of other Territorial agencies and Federal agencies operating in Alaska, and obtain as much information and data as possible from such sources.

Section 3. That Section 3 of Chapter 46, Session Laws of Alaska, 1943, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 3. All equipment purchased in the furtherance of this Act and allotted to private institutions as may be required, shall remain the property of the Territory of Alaska and, on or before the first day of February in each year, each such allottee shall file with the Commissioner of Health, a complete inventory of such equipment.

Equipment, title to remain in Territory.

Section 4. That Section 4 of Chapter 46, Session Laws of Alaska, 1943, is hereby repealed.

Section 5. In addition to sums heretofore appropriated for Tuberculosis hospitalization, the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any fund in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Appropriation.

Section 6. An emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

Emergency clause.

Approved March 15, 1946.