

funds for the purpose hereof, within the limit of funds available. He shall study the needs of Alaska's pioneers and submit to the Board recommendations for new rules, regulations and proposed legislation. He shall prepare a biennial report regarding the activities of the Board, for presentation to the Legislature. He shall have power, with the advice and consent of the Board, to employ such subordinate officers and employees as may be necessary, and authorize any assistant to act in his stead. He may sit at the meetings of the Board, but shall have no vote. He may act as Secretary of the Board. The Superintendent shall prescribe methods for operation of the Pioneers' Home, standards of care and service to inmates, and rules governing personnel and rewarding employees on a merit basis.

Section 2. The existing Board of Trustees now in charge of the Pioneers' home is hereby abolished, and all funds now available for the Pioneers' Home through existing appropriations, or otherwise, shall be transferred to the use of the new Board, upon the effective date of this Act; provided only that the Superintendent in charge of the Home on said date shall be deemed to be the agent of the new Board and continue on with his duties pending appointment and qualification of his successor.

Present Board  
abolished, duties  
assumed by new  
Board.

Approved April 3, 1946.

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## CHAPTER 30

### AN ACT

[S. B. 30]

Providing for application and issuance of Motor Vehicle Certificates

of Ownership; repealing Chapter 61, Session Laws of Alaska, 1945; providing for penalty; and declaring an emergency.

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

Purpose of Act.

Section 1. The purpose of this Act is to require owners of motor vehicles in the Territory to secure certificates of ownership of such vehicles in order to deter traffic in stolen motor vehicles.

Person, defined.

Section 2. The term "Person" as used herein shall mean any individual, association, partnership, firm or corporation, owning any vehicle or vehicles, except as stock in trade for sale by motor vehicle dealers.

Section 3. It shall be unlawful:

Certificate of ownership.

(a) For any person owning any motor vehicle in Alaska: to operate or permit operation of same in the Territory, excepting foreign vehicles driven under visitors' permits, without first securing a certificate or ownership therefor, as hereinafter set forth; provided that any person possessing any such vehicle under a conditional sales contract may obtain a temporary certificate showing on its face the language "Conditional Ownership Certificate", or words to that effect, upon receipt of which he may exercise, on an interim basis, the privilege of operating such vehicle, or permit others to do so, until he becomes the legal owner, or his status as buyer under such contract is otherwise terminated. Upon acquisition of legal title, such temporary certificate must be turned in to the Tax Commissioner at the time of application for a certificate of legal ownership. If such person's status as buyer is otherwise terminated, his temporary certificate must be disposed of in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the Tax Commissioner.

Conditional ownership Certificate where used.

(b) For any person owning any motor vehicle in

Alaska to sell or transfer same without complying with all of the provisions of this Act and rules and regulations promulgated hereunder by the Tax Commissioner. Delivery of a vehicle under such sale must be accompanied with delivery of such ownership certificate as the seller was required to have, and the transferee must register the vehicle, as herein provided, in his own name and surrender such previous certificate not later than thirty days after such transfer.

Sale or transfer must comply with Act.

Section 4. The Tax Commissioner is hereby authorized and directed to promulgate and prescribe all rules, regulations, forms and procedures necessary or advisable to carry out the intent and purpose hereof; provided that all pertinent regulations and procedures heretofore prescribed and issued by the Territorial Treasurer shall remain in full force and effect until modified, supplanted or repealed by additional or new rules and regulations hereafter promulgated by the Tax Commissioner.

Tax Commissioner to prescribe rules, form, etc.

Section 5. The Tax Commissioner, if satisfied from the application that the applicant holds a motor vehicle under a conditional sales contract or is the legal owner thereof, shall issue either a conditional certificate or certificate of legal ownership, as the case may be, over his signature and seal and containing such information as he shall prescribe.

Tax Commissioner to issue certificates of ownership.

Section 6. Except as to plates issued to dealers for use in demonstrating vehicles for sale, license plates shall not be issued for any vehicle unless the applicant at the same time shall make satisfactory application for or shall have previously secured therefor a conditional certificate or certificate of legal ownership as above provided. However, any person entitled thereto shall be issued a certificate of ownership upon a vehicle without at the same time applying for license plates therefor, even though he does not already have such plates, when,

License plates, condition of issuance.

in the judgment of the Tax Commissioner, it is justified and will not contravene the intent and purpose of this Act.

Section 7. Chapter 61, Session Laws of Alaska, 1945, is hereby repealed.

Section 8. Any person violating the provisions of this Act or parts thereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Emergency  
clause.

Section 9. An emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

Approved April 3, 1946.

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## CHAPTER 31

### AN ACT

[H. B. 16]

To amend Ch. 32 Session Laws of Alaska 1941, as amended by Ch. 11 Session Laws of Alaska 1943, regulating the practice of law in Alaska, by amending Sections 4, 5, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 18 and 22 of said Act, repealing Sec. 29 of said Act, and repealing Secs. 682 to 688 inclusive Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. That Section 4 of Ch. 32 Session Laws of Alaska 1941, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 4. All applications for admission to the Alaska Bar shall be filed with the Board at the office of the Attorney General at Juneau.