

CHAPTER 106

AN ACT

[S. B. 85]

To provide for termination of the Territorial Land Registration Program, with a change of lien foreclosure provisions and with pertinent modification of Secs. 22-2-1 to 22-2-18 ACLA 1949.

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

Section 1. That the provisions of the Land Registration Act, Secs. 22-2-1 to 22-2-18 ACLA 1949 are hereby modified as follows:

(a) On and after July 1, 1949, the land registration requirements set forth in said sections shall cease to be of further effect, but rights and liabilities accrued under said provisions and regulations made pursuant thereto prior to said date shall remain in full force and effect.

(b) As of July 1, 1949, the responsibility of the Territorial Treasurer to further administer said land registration program shall cease and determine, at which time responsibility for measures necessary and appropriate to bring the land registration program to a close as herein after indicated shall vest in the Tax Commissioner.

Transfer to Tax
Commissioner.

(c) It is the intent and purpose of this Act to secure a check of the list of patented properties which have been duly registered in each judicial division against the records of the Bureau of Land Management, for the information and use of the respective divisional boards

Interest and
purpose.

of assessment and their assessors in making up tax rolls under the purview of the Territorial Property Tax Act. To this end the Tax Commissioner is authorized to retain such land registration employees for so long as may be necessary to complete the work in question, and to seek the cooperation and assistance of the registers of the respective land districts in Alaska in completing the lists above referred to. The Tax Commissioner may also engage such other help as is necessary and take other appropriate steps to carry out the purpose of this Act. Expenses incident to such functions after July 1, 1949, may be paid by the Tax Commissioner out of any balance of funds remaining at that time which have been appropriated for the land registration program, and he may, if necessary, disburse out of money available for administering the Property Tax Act.

Retention of employees.

Expenses.

(d) After the lists above mentioned have been completed and turned over to the Divisional Boards of Assessment, said land registration program will have come to an end, except for vouchering to cover pertinent expenses not theretofore paid.

(e) Separate foreclosure of liens which have ensued from penalties imposed for failure to register land prior to July 1, 1949, as provided under the Land Registration Act may be waived by the Tax Commissioner and the Attorney General, but the penalty and lien shall remain as a charge against the land to which it attaches and may be collected by foreclosure or otherwise in conjunction with property tax liability hereafter arising under the Territorial Property Tax Act and in the same action.

Transfer of penalty and lien.

(f) With respect to such foreclosures, the certificate or certificates of the Tax Commissioner that the lien items above referred to have not been paid shall be prima facie evidence that same have not been paid, and notwithstanding termination of registrations of land as above set forth, the provisions of Secs. 22-2-8 to 22-2-18 ACLA 1949, so far as applicable, shall remain in effect as the authorized procedure in foreclosure actions both with respect to land registration liens and Territorial property tax liens.

Approved March 25, 1949.

CHAPTER 107

AN ACT

[S. B. 37]

To establish the Alaska Library Board and define its duties; and making an appropriation to carry out the provisions hereof.

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

Section 1. There is hereby created the Alaska Library Board consisting of four members, one from each of the four judicial divisions, appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Legislature in joint session assembled. Terms of the members of the Board shall be for four years except that on the first Board two of the members shall be appointed for a term of two years each and the other two, shall be appointed for a term of four years each. Said Board may appoint one of its members as executive officer and all members shall be entitled to compensation at the rate of \$15.00 per day for time spent.

Tax Commissioner may certify non-payment of liens.

Board created.