

CHAPTER 72

AN ACT

[S. B. 62]

To amend Section 37-2-8 Alaska Compiled Laws Annotated, 1949, by adding subsection (12) thereto, authorizing the Territorial Board of Education to discontinue the operation of certain rural schools, and to provide an effective date.

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

Section 1. That Section 37-2-8, Alaska Compiled Laws Annotated 1949, is hereby amended by adding thereto subsection (12) which shall read as follows:

(12) The Territorial Board of Education is hereby authorized to discontinue the operation and maintenance of any school in any unincorporated town, village, or settlement when in the judgment of the Board the school enrollment is large enough and the community financially able to partially support its own school as an organized school district under the laws for school district organization. Before closing a school, the Territorial Board of Education shall give general notice to the community or area affected, in such manner and form as the Board shall determine; provided, however, that such community shall be entitled to at least six months notice prior to commencement of an ensuing school year to enable the local populace to form an incorporated town or city, incorporated school district, or an independent school district in time to provide its own school program for such ensuing year under the Territorial school maintenance refund system, pursuant to which the Board shall convey existing school structures and facilities in said areas

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to such incorporated city or town, incorporated school district, or independent school district.

Section 2. This Act shall become effective July 1, 1951.

Approved March 23, 1951.

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AN ACT

[S. B. 54]

To compensate Alaska Coachways for standby expenses incurred during the polio epidemic in the Fairbanks Area during which time schools were closed; making an appropriation; and declaring an emergency.

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

Section 1. The sum of \$1,356.86 is hereby appropriated out of monies in the Treasury of the Territory of Alaska not otherwise appropriated, to compensate Alaska Coachways, a carrier which had contracted with the Territory of Alaska to transport school children to school in the Fairbanks Independent School District during the school year 1950-51, for the standby expenses; including wages of extra drivers, incurred by such carrier in not being able to transport children to said school during the twenty-two days that such schools were closed between September 29 and November 20, 1950, because of a polio epidemic in the Fairbanks area.

Special
appropriation.

Section 2. Payment under this appropriation shall be made upon a voucher approved by the Commissioner of Education for the Territory of Alaska.