

Section 4. An emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

Emergency clause.

Approved March 24, 1953.

## CHAPTER 57

### AN ACT

[S. B. 75]

To create, provide for and promote the establishment of community colleges within the Territory of Alaska, and to provide for the financial support and for the operation thereof.

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

Section 1. DEFINITIONS. As used in this Act the following words and terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates a different meaning.

(a) "Community college" shall mean a program to be set up by qualified school districts of the Territory of Alaska, as hereinafter defined, including vocational and academic instruction applicable to grades thirteen through fourteen and eligible for accreditation by the University of Alaska in the manner hereinafter provided.

"Community college" defined.

(b) "Qualified school district" shall mean any school district organized under the laws of the Territory of Alaska.

"Qualified school district" defined.

(1) which shall make application to the Board of Regents for participation in the community college program;

(2) which shall satisfy the accreditation standards of the University of Alaska according to the rules and regulations of the Board of Regents;

(3) which has had an average daily membership during the previous school year of at least one hundred seventy-five high school students;

(4) which has established to the satisfaction of the Board of Regents the practical need for a community college within such district; and

(5) which makes arrangements for defraying its proper share of the costs of the operation of a community college as provided by the terms of this Act.

Board of Regents defined.

(c) "Board of Regents" shall mean the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska.

Authorization.

Section 2. A qualified school district is authorized to establish, operate and maintain a community college in conjunction with the University of Alaska.

Percentage of reimbursement to district.

Section 3. The Board, in its discretion and from time to time as the need may arise, shall be entitled to contract with qualified school districts, to provide for the establishment, maintenance and operation of community colleges within such districts and to reimburse such districts in the amount of seventy-five per cent of instructors' salaries, instructional supplies and administration expenses incurred in the operation of community colleges within such districts.

Percentage payable by district.

Section 4. Qualified school districts are authorized to accept reimbursement from the Board of Regents on account of the maintenance and operation of community colleges. Any school district establishing and operating a community college shall pay twenty-five per cent of instructional and administrative costs of the operation thereof from funds received otherwise than from reimbursement from the Board of Regents, and such school district shall pay all expenses of providing buildings, and maintaining the same, from funds other than those paid by the Board of Regents.

Board to prescribe regulations.

Section 5. Any community college established by a school district shall be established, maintained and operated under such rules and regulations as may be adopted by the Board of Regents. Academic qualifications of

instructors and administrators and the curriculum of a community college, so far as it pertains to courses accredited by the University of Alaska, shall be according to standards set by the Board of Regents. Subject to other provisions of this Act, the establishment, operation and maintenance of community colleges shall be under the direct supervision of the school boards of the school districts participating in the community college plan as herein provided.

Supervision by district school board.

Section 6. The Board of Regents is authorized to participate financially under this Act with qualified school districts in connection with educational courses for which no provision is made in Territorial school law. In that connection, there shall be no duplication of funds available to school districts under this Act of contributions made by the Territorial Department of Education or by the Federal Government.

Provision for extra courses.

Section 7. The Board of Regents shall have full power and authority, under rules and regulations established by it, to grant credit for work done in any community college, whether or not such work has been done under a program to which the Board of Regents has made financial contribution as herein provided.

Credit for work in community college.

Section 8. Funds to carry out the purposes of this Act shall be those provided for the University of Alaska in general appropriation acts of the legislature.

Appropriation authorized.

Section 9. This Act shall be known as the "Community College Act of the Territory of Alaska."

Citation.

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## CHAPTER 58

### AN ACT

[S. B. 91]

Authorizing the Territorial Board of Road Commissioners on behalf of the Territory of Alaska to acquire property by gift, purchase, or condemnation.