

Section 3. An emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

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CHAPTER 100

AN ACT

To establish and maintain standards of health and sanitation in motor courts and motels, tourist and trailer camps; to provide for granting and revocation of permits; promulgation of regulations; defining offenses and prescribing penalties.

(S. B. 100)

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

Section 1. **Purpose.** The purpose of this Act is to establish and maintain minimum standards of health and sanitation in tourist camps, trailer camps, motor courts and motels as may be necessary and desirable for the protection of the public health and welfare.

Section 2. **Definitions.** As used in this Act:

(a) The words "tourist accommodations" as used in this Act shall mean any place maintained, or held out to the public for purposes of abode whether occupied by transient or permanent guests, whether equipped with tents, tent houses, cottages, automobile trailers, coaches, motor

courts, or motels, and regardless of whether direct, indirect or no benefit accrues to the owner or operator.

(b) The term "person" means an individual, partnership, corporation, association, or any other form of business enterprise.

(c) The term "Board" shall mean the Board of Health for the Territory of Alaska.

(d) The term "Commissioner" shall mean the Commissioner of Health for the Territory of Alaska or his authorized representative.

Section 3. **The Alaska Department of Health Charged with Administration of Laws and Regulations Pertaining to Health and Sanitary Conditions of All Tourist Camps.** The Alaska Department of Health,

through the Board of Health and Commissioner of Health, shall have jurisdiction over the health and sanitary conditions of the tourist accommodations defined in this Act. The Board of Health shall have the power to make, promulgate and enforce such rules and regulations relating to health and sanitation in the construction, operation and maintenance of such accommodations including but not limited to minimum standards for water supply, sewage and refuse disposal, laundry, bathing and toilet facilities, communicable disease control, general cleanliness and safety as may be necessary or desirable for the protection of public health; provided, however, nothing herein shall prohibit health authorities of municipalities from instituting local programs for health and sanitary control of tourist accommodations, including the enactment of ordinances for issuance and revocation of permits and additional rules and regulations; provided, however, that any such ordinance, rules, or regulation shall not detract from the provisions of this Act or the regulations thereunder.

Section 4. Permits. No person shall establish, operate or maintain any tourist accommodation in Alaska without first obtaining a permit therefor from the Department of Health. The Board of Health shall have the power to issue both provisional and annual permits and to suspend such permits after a hearing, resulting in findings that the holder thereof has failed to comply with the pro-

visions of this Act or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder; provided that the Department of Health shall not exercise jurisdiction or require permits hereunder, within municipalities regulating tourist accommodations substantially in the manner as provided in this Act.

Section 5. Maintaining accommodations Without Permit or After Suspension of Permit a Misdemeanor. Any person or managing officer of a corporation, association or other form of business enterprise establishing, operating or maintaining a tourist accommodation who shall refuse or neglect to obtain a permit as provided in Section 4 herein, or who shall continue to operate or maintain a trailer camp after the permit has been suspended or revoked, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or imprisonment for not more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 6. Unlawful Disposal of Wastes. It shall be unlawful to dispose of human excreta, garbage or refuse on or near any public way or thoroughfare or on or near any tourist accommodation except in the use of appropriate facilities.

Section 7. Laws, Rules and Regulations to be Posted in Tourist Accommodations. It shall be the duty and responsibility of any person operating a tourist accommodation to post in one or more conspicuous

places on the premises a copy of the provisions contained in this Act, and pertinent regulations.

Section 8. Penalty for Non-Compliance. Any person who fails to comply with any of the provisions of this Act other than prescribed in

Section 4, or the regulations promulgated under this Act shall upon conviction be punished by a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or by imprisonment in the Federal Jail for not longer than thirty days or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Approved March 25, 1955

CHAPTER 101

AN ACT

To create the Alaska Rural Development Board; defining its purposes, organization, powers and duties; and establishing a Rural Development Fund.

(S. B. 115)

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

Section 1. Short Title. This Act may be cited as the "Alaska Rural Development Act of 1955."

Section 2. Purpose. The purpose and intent of this Act is to co-ordinate existing programs of the Territorial Government and to plan, inaugurate and operate additional programs for the purpose of promoting the improvement of the health, welfare, security and economic well-being of Alaskans residing in rural and remote areas of the Territory.

Section 3. Definitions. As used in

this Act, the following terms shall be defined as follows:

(a) "Rural" shall mean any unincorporated place having a population of not more than 500 persons.

(b) "Remote area" shall mean any sub-region, area or locality of the Territory which is not accessible by roads connected with the main highway system of the Territory, the line of the Alaska Railroad, by regular ports of call of the steamship lines operating between Alaska and the continental United States.

Section 4. Creation of the Alaska Rural Development Board. In order