

Welfare Department or the court is able to make further disposition of him.

Section 15. Cities; Reimbursement of Costs. As often as may be established by the joint contract of the board and city governing body, but at least each quarter year, the governing body of each city having a detention home shall certify to the board the costs to the city actually paid for operation and maintenance of the detention home. The form of the expense statement shall contain such information as may be determined by the board. Within thirty days after receipt of the statement the board shall upon proper voucher pay to the city an

amount equal to fifty per centum of the total cost of such operation and maintenance less any receipts to the city paid for detention by the Department of Public Welfare, parents or other government agencies authorized to detain juveniles in the home.

Section 16. Appropriations. Funds to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be provided for in the general appropriations act of the Alaska Legislature.

Section 17. Effective date. This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval, or upon its becoming law without such approval, and it is so enacted.

Approved March 28, 1955

CHAPTER 135

AN ACT

Relating to the Alaska Registration Law of 1953; amending sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 10, Ch. 134, SLA, 1953; defining "real property"; releasing liens; refunding penalties; authorizing an appropriation; and setting an effective date.

(H. B. 71)

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

be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. That section 3, Chapter 134, Session Laws of Alaska, 1953,

Sec. 3. Responsibility for the administration of the land regis-

tration program shall vest in the Department of Public Lands, and the Land Commissioner shall make such rules and regulations as he may deem proper and necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act. The Land Commissioner shall have custody of all land registration records assembled pursuant to Section 22-2-1 to 22-2-18 inclusive, ACLA 1949, and Chapter 106 Session Laws of Alaska 1949, and of those records in the Territorial Department of Taxation pertaining to or arising from the levying of a general property tax pursuant to Chapter 10, Session Laws of Alaska, 1949, as amended, and shall have access to such other public records as may relate to his duties as set forth in this Act.

Section 2. That section 4, Chapter 134, Session Laws of Alaska, 1953, be amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of each legal owner of real property in Alaska which is outside of and not included within the boundaries of an incorporated city, public utility district, school district or other political subdivision where record of ownership of real property is maintained, except an owner who acquired title thereto prior to July 1, 1949, and has complied with the registration provisions of Section 22-2-1 ACLA 1949, or who has heretofore complied with this Act, and other than that to which the United States or the Territory of

Alaska holds title, to file in the office of the Recorder of the recording precinct in which such property is situated on or before December 31, 1955, a sworn statement in duplicate giving his name, his postoffice address, an accurate legal description of the tract or tracts of land, its area or acreage, date acquired, and any other information necessary for the purposes of this Act. Upon any transfer of title to real property thereafter, within the localities described above where filing is required, a similar statement must be filed by the owner of such newly acquired tract of land on or before December 31 of the year in which such transfer occurred. The owner of real property who has filed the statement required hereunder need not thereafter file a statement under this Act. Upon failure to file such statement, as required herein, the owner of such property shall be subject to a penalty of five dollars (\$5.00) for failure to file each required statement. For newly acquired property after December 31, 1955 the owner shall be subject to a penalty of ten dollars (\$10.00) for failure to file each required statement which shall on the first day of January following such failure to file become a lien upon such property, which shall be subject to collection as provided hereinafter; Provided, that if the penalty has not been paid before the date the delinquent list is published in accordance with sec-

tion 7 of this Act, a penalty of five dollars (\$5.00) shall attach to each tract listed in the delinquent list of September 1, 1956 and ten dollars (\$10.00) shall attach to each tract listed in the delinquent list compiled thereafter.

Section 3. That section 5, Chapter 134, Session Laws of Alaska, 1953, be amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 5. When such statement is filed, the Recorder shall file a duplicate copy or shall prepare and enter a copy thereof in a special Alaska Registration Law book to be provided by him for that purpose, and shall enter the name of the owner in an alphabetical index together with the date and hour of filing such statement. The Recorder shall number the original filing statement in consecutive order, and enter thereon the date received and customary filing information, and shall on or before the tenth day of each month transmit to the Land Commissioner all original statements filed with him for the preceding calendar month together with ninety per cent (90%) of the receipts collected for penalty payments as provided for in section 6, as amended.

Whenever a precinct Recorder receives a document for recording evidencing a transaction of real property for which a filing statement is required by section 4 of this Act, he shall notify the new

owner of the filing requirements, and if not so filed, he shall notify the Land Commissioner on a special form provided for the purpose.

Section 4. That section 6, Chapter 134, Session Laws of Alaska, 1953, be amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 6. The Land Commissioner shall collect and receive all penalties due and payable under this Act and transmit the same to the Territorial Treasurer for deposit into the general fund of the treasury. The Land Commissioner may appoint the Recorder of each precinct as his collecting officer for purposes of collecting penalties from the persons who are subject to the penalty payment and who personally file a statement in his office. When such appointments are made by the Land Commissioner, the Recorder shall collect the required penalty, if possible; issue receipts for same in duplicate; attach the duplicate receipt to the original filing statement; and, transmit to the Land Commissioner at the time of transmitting the monthly ownership statements ninety per cent (90%) of the penalty collected. The Recorder shall retain ten per cent (10%) of the penalty collected as his commission. For the purposes of this Act an error in the description, area or acreage of any property shall not invalidate the assessment of the penalty against such property if the description is sufficiently accurate to identify the property.

Section 5. That section 7, Chapter 134, Session Laws of Alaska, 1953, be amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 7. On or about September 1, 1956 and on or about September 1 of each year thereafter, the Land Commissioner shall file in the office of the Clerk of Court of the judicial division in which the property subject to such lien is situated, a list of all parcels of property which have become subject to such liens, and the name of the respective owner thereof, if known, and upon which the penalties have been unpaid for a period of at least six months after the date the said penalties become due and payable. Thereupon, the liens on the parcels contained in such list shall be foreclosed by appropriate proceedings by the Land Commissioner in the name of the Territory in the manner herein provided. The parcels of property affected by such liens and filed with the Clerk of Court shall be numbered serially. The Land Commissioner shall post a certified copy of such list in his office and shall publish such list once each week for four consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the division in which such property is situated. Such list shall be known and designated as the "List of Delinquent Penalties on Real Property" and shall be captioned as an action in the appropriate division of the District Court. The

action shall be entitled: "In the matter of foreclosure of liens pursuant to the Alaska Registration Law of 1953, as amended, by the Territory of Alaska." Such list of delinquent penalties shall be verified by the affidavit of the Land Commissioner. The filing of such list of delinquent penalties in the office of the Clerk of the District Court shall constitute and have the same force and effect as the filing of an individual and separate complaint to foreclose a lien against each parcel of property therein described.

Section 6. That section 10, Chapter 134, Session Laws of Alaska, 1953, be amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 10. The Land Commissioner is authorized hereby to sell, lease or otherwise administer all real property to which the Territory may obtain title under the provisions of this Act in the same manner as he is authorized to sell, lease or administer other Territorial land. Proceeds derived from such sales, leases or administration shall be remitted to the Treasurer and by him deposited into the general fund of the Territorial Treasury.

Section 7. As used in this Act the term "real property" shall refer to patented land and/or any other land in which the owner has a fee simple title.

Section 8. Any liens or lien rights on property which may have ac-

crued pursuant to this Act, prior to its amendment, are hereby released and no action to enforce such lien shall be sustained.

Section 9. All penalties assessed and collected under this Act prior to date of this amendment shall be refunded to the person from whom collected. Any person who has paid any such penalty may, on or before March 31, 1958, apply to the Land Commissioner for a refund of the same. If the claim is correct the Land Commissioner shall execute a voucher for the same on the general fund.

Section 10. There is hereby au-

thorized for appropriation, out of any moneys in the general fund of the Treasury of Alaska not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$35,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for carrying out the purpose of this Act for the ensuing biennium. Thereafter, funds for administration of this Act shall be those provided in the appropriation for the Department of Public Lands.

Section 11. This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval or upon its becoming law without such approval, and it is so enacted.

Approved March 28, 1955

CHAPTER 136

AN ACT

To abolish the Legislative Examination and Investigating Committee; repealing Ch. 62, SLA, 1953; and setting an effective date.

(H. B. 97)

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

Section 1. Chapter 62, Session Laws of Alaska, 1953, is hereby repealed.

Section 2. All records, papers,

memoranda, equipment or other property of the Legislative Examination and Investigating Committee shall be transferred to the Legislative Council.

Section 3. This Act shall take effect April 1, 1955.

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