

CHAPTER 137

AN ACT

To amend Section 44-2-14, ACLA, 1949, as amended by Chapter 87, Session Laws of Alaska, 1949, pertaining to veterans loans and bonuses.

(H. B. 108)

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

Section 1. That Section 44-2-14, ACLA, 1949, as amended by Chapter 87 of the Session Laws of Alaska of 1949, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 44-2-14. **Loans, Bonus and Beneficiary Provisions.** (Limitation on securing both bonus and loan.) Persons eligible for loans under this Act shall also be eligible for the bonus hereinafter authorized, provided, however, that the bonus for which each veteran may be eligible shall be an alternative to the loan privileges hereinabove prescribed, until such bonus shall be repaid. It is the intent and purpose hereof that if an eligible person elects to take the bonus and obtains same, he shall thereafter be disqualified under the loan provisions hereof, until the amount of the bonus together with accrued interest shall have been repaid. Likewise, if he elects to borrow and obtains any loan authorized by this Act, he shall thereby forfeit his claim to a bonus here-

under.

(Bonus authorized.) The payment of an Alaskan veterans cash bonus is hereby authorized to all eligible persons who apply for same and who have not previously disqualified themselves by having contracted a loan or loans hereunder.

(Amount of bonus.) The bonus shall be a sum in dollars equal to the number of months which the veteran spent in service, or fraction thereof, multiplied by ten, providing no bonus should be paid to an enlistee or reenlistee for time served after November 1, 1945, regardless of whether said enlistment or reenlistment was prior or subsequent to November 1, 1945.

(Payment of bonus.) The payment of bonuses shall be administered by the Veterans' Commissioner in accordance with rules and procedures prescribed by the Board.

(a) **Beneficiaries: (Eligibility for loans.)** Qualifications of per-

sons coming under the provisions of this Act in order to be eligible for loans hereunder shall be as follows:

(1) **(Service requirements: Residence.)** Persons who have served in the armed forces of the United States for ninety days or more, or persons whose service shall have been less than ninety days because of injury or disability incurred in line of duty, between September 16, 1940, and July 25, 1947, who have been separated from the armed forces with an honorable discharge or honorable separation, who at the time of induction into the service were residents of the Territory of Alaska, who had been residents for not less than one year immediately prior to their induction and who have returned to the Territory after discharge as residents with the intention of remaining in the Territory.

(2) **(Dependents.)** Persons who were dependent on a member of the armed forces or veteran of World War II. at the time of such member's or veteran's death, provided:

(a) Such member or veteran was a resident of the Territory for one year prior to induction into the service; and

(b) Served in the armed forces for at least ninety days between September 16, 1940, and July 25, 1947, provided no benefits for loans shall accrue to dependents of an enlistee or reenlistee for

time served after November 1, 1945, regardless of whether said enlistment or reenlistment was prior or subsequent to November 1, 1945; and

(c) Dies prior to the official date of the termination of said war; and

(d) Was not discharged other than honorably.

Such dependents must be unmarried and the deceased member of the armed forces or deceased veteran must have been their chief means of support and they must be either a widow, widower, minor son, minor daughter; or mother, father, sister or brother incapable of self-support. Such dependents must be residents of the Territory at the time of making such application and intend to reside therein permanently. The rights of minor children hereunder may be exercised only if they have no surviving parent and have a duly appointed guardian who may make application on their behalf to secure a loan for their care, support, education or other purposes mentioned in subsection (e), (1) of Section 44-2-12, ACLA, 1949, or receive the bonus for said purposes.

(3) **(Eligibility in Alaska only.)** No person shall be eligible for any benefits hereunder if he is eligible under the laws of any State or other Territory for a veterans loan or bonus.

(b) **Qualifications: (Bonus eli-**

gibility.) Qualifications of persons coming under the provisions of this Act in order to be eligible for bonuses shall be as follows:

(1) Persons who have served in the armed forces of the United States for one year or more, or persons whose service shall have been less than one year because of injury or disability incurred in line of duty, between September 16, 1940, and July 25, 1947, who have been separated from the armed forces with an honorable discharge or honorable separation, who at the time of induction into the service were residents of the Territory of Alaska, who had been residents

for not less than one year immediately prior to their induction and who have returned to the Territory after discharge as residents with the intention of remaining in the Territory.

(2) As to persons who have not returned to the Territory after honorable discharge or honorable separation and do not have the intention of remaining in the Territory, the qualifications shall be those contained in subsection (b), (1) of this Act and an additional requirement of five years residence in the Territory immediately prior to the time of induction.

Approved March 28, 1955

CHAPTER 138

AN ACT

To authorize the Territory of Alaska to make use of a declaration of taking for any purpose for which the Territory is authorized the power of eminent domain; amending Sec. 1, Ch. 90, SLA, 1953.

(H. B. 181)

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

Section 1. Section 1 of Chapter 90, Session Laws of Alaska, 1953, is hereby amended to read as fol-

lows:

Sec. 1. Authority to File Declaration of Taking. In any proceeding instituted by and in the name of the Territory of Alaska