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## CHAPTER 25

### AN ACT

**Pertaining to the Textbook Commission; amending Section 37-2-41 ACLA 1949, as amended by Chapter 97, Session Laws of Alaska 1951, and Section 37-2-42 ACLA 1949, and Section 37-2-45 ACLA 1949, as amended by Chapter 97, Session Laws of Alaska 1951.**

(H. B. 43)

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

Section 1. Section 37-2-41 ACLA 1949, as amended by Chapter 97, Session Laws of Alaska 1951, is amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 37-2-41. Creation: Membership: Term of Office: Oath: Vacancies.** A Textbook Commission consisting of the Commissioner of Education as Chairman and six persons appointed by him with the advice and consent of the President of the Territorial Board of Education is hereby created. The persons appointed shall be either legally qualified teachers or school administrators of Alaska, and the membership shall in-

clude both such teachers and administrators in such proportion as the Commissioner may determine. The members of the Commission shall serve for a period of four years and until their successors are appointed and qualified. Vacancies in the membership of the Commission caused by resignation, withdrawal from the Territory or from other causes shall be filled in the same manner as in the case of the original appointees, the newly appointed members to serve until the completion of the four-year period. Members of the Commission shall, before entering upon the duties of their office, take an oath before some person authorized to administer the same, to

faithfully discharge all the duties imposed upon them as members of the Textbook Commission, and that they have no interest directly or indirectly in any adoption that may be made and will receive no personal benefit therefrom, and that they will examine all books submitted carefully and faithfully, and said oath shall be filed with the Auditor of the Territory.

Section 2. Section 37-2-42 ACLA 1949 is amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 37-2-42. Selection of Textbooks: Use of Books Not Adopted.**

It shall be the duty of the Textbook Commission to select and adopt (A) uniform sets of textbooks for use in all the branches of study presented in the elementary schools of the Territory, and to select and adopt an approved list of textbooks for use in each of the subjects presented in the high schools of the Territory. None of the books so selected and adopted shall contain anything of a partisan or sectarian character. After September 1, 1930, it shall be unlawful for any school to use textbooks other than those adopted by the Textbook Commission except for purposes of supplementary study; Provided, that where it is impos-

sible for any school to secure the approved textbooks, others may be substituted on approval of the Commissioner of Education.

Section 3. Section 37-2-45 ACLA 1949, as amended by Chapter 97, Session Laws of Alaska 1951, is amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 37-2-45. Meetings: Selection by Majority Vote: Record of Proceedings: Expenses.**

The Textbook Commission shall meet at the call of the Chairman every two years in even-numbered years to select and adopt a list of textbooks for use in the elementary schools and high schools, provided, that the Commission may at any time by correspondence select and adopt newly published books for supplementary study. All books shall be selected by a majority vote of the members and the Commissioner of Education shall keep a record of all proceedings, votes and actions of the Commission. The necessary expenses for traveling and subsistence shall be allowed members residing outside of the capital while in attendance at meetings of the Commission; said expenses to be paid out of funds to be appropriated for the Commission by the Legislature.

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