

CHAPTER 89

AN ACT

Providing for a Hospital Advisory Council; providing for the appointment of its Members, their tenure and compensation; prescribing and defining their powers and duties; authorizing an appropriation; repealing Sec. 40-6-10, ACLA, 1949; and declaring an emergency.

(S. B. 144)

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

Section 1. **Hospital Advisory Council.** There is hereby created the Hospital Advisory Council, hereinafter referred to as the Council, which shall consist of the Members of the Alaska Board of Health, serving ex-officio, and one representative from each of the Alaska Territorial Medical Association, Alaska Nurses' Association, and Alaska Hospital Association, hereinafter referred to as the Associations, and the Federal Agencies charged with providing medical, health and hospital services to those persons in Alaska described as beneficiaries of the Alaska Native Service, and the Veterans Administration, Providing there shall be included in said Council at all times either ex-officio as members of the Board of Health or as additional members of said Council representatives of consumers of hospital services selected from among persons who are familiar with the need for such services in urban and rural areas, who shall

be appointed by the Governor. The member to represent each of said Associations shall be appointed by the Governor from a list of nominees submitted to him by the governing body of each of such Associations, and the representatives of said Federal Agencies shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the principal officer in Alaska of said Federal Agencies; Provided, that each Association shall submit at least two nominees for each position to be filled. Members, other than those serving ex-officio, shall serve for terms of two years, or until their successors are appointed and qualify, and said terms shall commence on April 1, 1955 and on April 1 of each alternate year thereafter.

Section 2. **Powers and Duties of the Council.** The Council shall select a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary from among its membership and shall adopt such rules of procedure as it deems necessary. Meetings shall be held pursuant to the call of the Chairman, which shall be at least once each year;

Provided, that the Chairman shall call a meeting when requested in writing by two Members.

The Council shall: (a) advise and consult with the Alaska Commissioner of Health with respect to the formulation of a program for the construction of such public and other non-profit hospitals and medical facilities as will, in conjunction with existing facilities, afford the necessary physical facilities for furnishing adequate hospital and medical facility services to all residents of the Territory; (b) consult and advise with the Alaska Department of Health in the implementation of the responsibilities of said Department under the provisions of Chapter 6 of Title 40, Alaska Compiled Laws Annotated, 1949, (which is Chapter 93, Session Laws of Alaska, 1947); (c) advise and consult with the Alaska Department of Health in the development of rules, regulations and standards with respect to the operation of hospitals in Alaska; (d) review and adopt regulations and standards authorized by Chapter 6 of Title 40, Alaska Compiled Laws Annotated, 1949, prior to their promulgation by the Alaska Department of Health; and (e) shall cooperate closely with communities, civic groups, medical and nursing associations, voluntary health associations and other persons, governing bodies and private agencies for the improvement of hospital and other non-profit medical and health facilities in the Territory of Alaska.

The Commissioner shall be re-

sponsible for carrying out the provisions of this Act, with the advice of the Hospital Advisory Council; and he shall be accountable to the Alaska Board of Health and shall make such reports on progress as the Board may require.

Section 3. Expenses of Members. Members of the Council shall receive no salaries, but they shall be entitled to reimbursement of actual travel expenses incidental to the discharge of their duties under this Act and shall, while in the performance of such duties, be entitled to the per diem allowed by law; Provided, that a Member of the Board of Health shall not be entitled to reimbursement of travel expenses or a per diem allowance under this Act if he has a proper claim for such travel expenses and per diem under any other Act; Provided, further, that no Federal officer or employee shall be entitled to the reimbursement of travel expenses or a per diem allowance under this Act if he has a valid claim for such travel expenses and per diem allowance under Federal law.

Section 4. Appropriation; Audit; Certifying Officer. Funds for carrying out the provisions of this Act shall be set forth in the general appropriation and shall be included in that item which relates to Hospital Survey and Construction.

Expenditures under this Act shall be subject to the general audit of Territorial agencies.

The Commissioner of the Alaska

Department of Health shall be the certifying officer on all claims for reimbursement arising under this Act.

Section 5. **Succession.** The Hospital Advisory Council, as established by this Act, shall be the successor to the Territorial Advisory Council, as provided in Chapter 11, Session Laws of Alaska, 1946, ex., and the Advisory Hospital Council, as provided by Section

40-6-10, Alaska Compiled Laws Annotated, 1949.

Section 6. Sec. 40-6-10, ACLA, 1949 is hereby repealed.

Section 7. **Effective Date.** An emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval, or upon its becoming law without such approval.

Approved March 26, 1955

CHAPTER 90

AN ACT

To create an Agricultural Pest and Disease Control Fund; defining its purpose and the manner of expenditures therefrom; and declaring an emergency.

(H. B. 129)

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

Section 1. There is hereby created a special fund in the Territorial Treasury to be known as the "Agricultural Pest and Disease Control Fund", to be composed of appropriations by the Legislature, and gifts or contributions from individuals, firms, corporations, municipalities and other governmental

agencies.

Section 2. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon proper voucher from the Commissioner of Agriculture, and may be used for the following purposes:

(a) To purchase materials or equipment needed for controlling agricultural pests when the persons directly affected cannot bear