

CHAPTER 56.

AN ACT

(H. B. 44)

In aid of the suppression of gambling; granting immunity to witnesses in prosecutions for such offense; defining accomplices in relation thereto; declaring the places where gambling is carried on to be common nuisances; prescribing punishment for maintaining the same; providing for the abatement thereof by injunction; and prescribing the punishment for a violation of such injunction.

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

Section 1. That in any prosecution for the offense of gambling no person, otherwise competent as a witness under the laws of the Territory of Alaska, shall be privileged from testifying on the ground that his testimony may tend to incriminate him; Provided, that no indictment or prosecution shall afterwards be brought against such witness on account of the offense of gambling or gambling transaction concerning which he testified as a witness.

Witnesses in gambling cases cannot claim privilege

Immunity from prosecution

Section 2. No person engaged in any gambling game shall be deemed an accomplice of any other participant in said game, or of any person carrying on, conducting, concerned or interested in said game, or of any person who maintains, aids or abets the maintaining of any gambling nuisance, as hereinafter defined.

Accomplices—who are not

Section 3. All houses, boats, boat-houses, buildings, rooms, and places of every description where gaming or gambling is carried on, or where any banking or other game is played with cards, dice, or any other device, whether the same be played for money, or for any checks, chips, credit, representing money, or other representative of value, or where persons are permitted to resort for the purpose of gaming or gambling, and all implements or property used and kept in maintaining such places, are hereby declared to be common nuisances, and every person who maintains, aids or

Places where gambling conducted declared common nuisances

Maintaining gambling houses a misdemeanor

abets, or is in any manner associated in maintaining such place, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or by imprisonment in the Federal Jail for not less than thirty (30) days nor more than six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment, for each offense.

Action to abate
and enjoin nuis-
ance

Section 4. That the United States Attorney, or any of his assistants, may maintain an action in equity in the District Court of the Division of the Territory of Alaska in which such gambling nuisance, as defined in the last preceding section, exists or is maintained, to abate and perpetually enjoin the same, and upon notice and good cause shown a temporary injunction may be granted after the commencement of the action and no bond shall be required. Any person who violates the terms of such injunction shall be punished for contempt by a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or by imprisonment in the Federal Jail for not less than thirty (30) days nor more than six (6) months, in the discretion of the court.

Violation of in-
junction a con-
tempt

Approved May 5, 1919.

CHAPTER 57.

AN ACT

(H. B. 52)

Authorizing and empowering the Governor to audit, adjust and allow expenses incurred by the citizens of Nome, in dispatching an expedition for the rescue and relief of passengers and crew of the schooner "White Bear."

Preamble

Whereas, on the 29th day of October, 1917, it was reported to the citizens of Nome, Alaska, that the schooner "White Bear," carrying mail and passengers,