

determination of such proceedings in the court of first resort or the appellate court if appeal be taken.

Section 2. This Act shall take effect April 1, 1955.

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CHAPTER 8

AN ACT

Relating to the Department of Territorial Police; amending Section 9, Chapter 144, SLA 1953.

(S. B. 12)

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

Section 1. Section 9 of Chapter 144, Session Laws of Alaska, 1953, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

have power to assist other Departments of the Territorial, Municipal and Federal governments in the enforcement of criminal laws or regulations pertaining to such other departments.

Sec. 9. The Department shall

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CHAPTER 9

AN ACT

Amending Section 22-3-21, 22-3-23, and 22-3-25, ACLA 1949, relating to reading conveyance in evidence, certificate of reception and recording of conveyance, when conveyances are deemed recorded, invalidity of unrecorded conveyances against subsequent innocent purchasers and

recording certified copies of recorded conveyances and defining the term conveyances, as used herein.

(H. B. 29)

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

Section 1. That Section 22-3-21 ACLA 1949, be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 22-3-21. Reading Conveyances in Evidence: Recording: Every conveyance acknowledged or proved or certified in the manner hereinbefore prescribed by any of the officers before named may be read in evidence without further proof thereof, shall be entitled to be recorded in the precinct in which the lands lie, and from the time it is filed with the Recorder for record in such Precinct shall be constructive notice of the contents thereof to subsequent purchasers and mortgagees of the same property or any part thereof. A certified copy of any such recorded conveyance may be recorded in any other precinct and when so recorded the record thereof shall have the same force and effect, from the time of filing for recordation such certified copy, as though it were the original conveyance. Where such original conveyance has been recorded in any precinct wherein the property therein mentioned is not situated, a certified copy of such recorded conveyance may be recorded in the precinct where

the property is situated with the same force and effect, from the time of filing for recordation such certified copy as if the original conveyance had been recorded in such precinct. The term "conveyance" as used in this section and in subsequent sections of this chapter shall include every instrument in writing by which any estate or interest in real property is created, aliened, mortgaged or encumbered, or by which the title to any real property may be affected, except wills.

Section 2. That Section 22-3-23, ACLA 1949, be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 22-3-23. Certificate of Reception and Recording of Conveyance: When Conveyance Deemed Recorded: The Recorder shall certify upon each conveyance recorded by him the time when it was received and the reference to the book and page where it is recorded and every conveyance shall be considered as recorded when, being duly acknowledged or proved or certified in the manner hereinbefore prescribed, it is filed in the Recorder's office for record.

Section 3. That Section 22-3-25, ACLA 1949, be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 22-3-25. Invalidity of Un-recorded Conveyance Against Subsequent Innocent Purchaser: Every conveyance of real property within the Territory hereafter made, other than a lease for a term not exceeding one year, shall be void as against any subsequent innocent purchaser or

mortgagee in good faith and for a valuable consideration of the same real property or any portion thereof, whose conveyance shall be first duly recorded. An un-recorded instrument is valid as between the parties thereto and those who have actual notice of it.

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CHAPTER 10

AN ACT

To permit local government units to provide by contract for the joint exercise of common power.

(S. B. 9)

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

Section 1. The governing bodies of any two or more local political subdivisions may contract for the joint performance of any function, or for the joint exercise of any power, over the entire territory of such subdivisions, that each such unit is empowered by law to perform or exercise within its own

jurisdiction.

Sec. 2. Any contract authorized herein to be made may provide, in the absolute discretion of the governing bodies which are parties thereto, for the method of financing, administration, enforcement of duties, and any other matters relating thereto that are necessary or desirable for the joint performance or exercise of the common duty or power.

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