

[CHAPTER 480]

AN ACT

To authorize postmasters within the Territory of Alaska to administer oaths and affirmations, and for other purposes.

August 5, 1939

[H. R. 6114]

[Public, No. 294]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That each postmaster within the Territory of Alaska is hereby authorized and directed to administer oaths and affirmations and to take acknowledgments, and to make and execute certificates thereof, and to perform all other functions of a notary public within said Territory, whenever an oath, affirmation, or acknowledgment or a certificate thereof is authorized, permitted, or required by any Act or Acts of Congress.

Alaska.
Postmasters within, authorized to perform certain notarial functions.

SEC. 2. Each certificate of oath, affirmation, or acknowledgement executed by a postmaster within the Territory of Alaska under the authority of this Act shall be signed by the postmaster, with a designation of his title as such postmaster, shall have affixed thereto the cancellation stamp of the post office, and shall state the name of the post office and the date on which such oath or affirmation is administered or such acknowledgment is taken.

Certificate, form, etc.

SEC. 3. Except as otherwise provided or required by an Act of Congress, for administering an oath or affirmation, or taking an acknowledgment, or performing any other function of a notary public within the Territory of Alaska as herein provided, the postmaster is authorized to charge and receive the fees prescribed by law for a notary public for similar services in said Territory.

Fees.

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[CHAPTER 481]

AN ACT

To provide for the disposition of certain records of the United States Government.

August 5, 1939

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever any agency of the United States Government has in its custody an accumulation of records that are not needed by it in the transaction of its current business and that appear to it to have no permanent value or historical interest, the head of such agency shall submit a written report thereon to the Archivist of the United States in which he shall state the location and describe the character of such records so as to enable the Archivist to identify them. Said report shall be submitted in triplicate and shall be accompanied by samples of the several kinds of records listed therein.

Government records.

Disposition of certain, not needed in transaction of current business.

Report to Archivist.

SEC. 2. When used in this Act, the word "records" means originals or copies of motion-picture or other photographic records in any form whatsoever, sound recordings, correspondence, papers, indexes, maps, charts, plans, drawings, punch cards, tabulation sheets, pictures, and other kinds of records belonging to the United States Government.

"Records" defined.

SEC. 3. The Archivist, with the approval of the National Archives Council, shall submit to Congress, at such times as he shall deem expedient, lists of records reported to him in the manner prescribed by section 1 of this Act that appear to him to have no permanent value or historical interest to the Federal Government.

Submission of lists to Congress.

SEC. 4. Whenever the Archivist shall submit to Congress, in compliance with the provisions of section 3 of this Act, lists of records that appear to him to have no permanent value or historical interest to the Federal Government, it shall be the duty of the presiding officer of the Senate to appoint two Senators who, with the members of the

Appointment of joint Congressional committee to examine and make recommendation.