

to vote, or be permitted to vote, in the same or any other precinct at the same election.

United States residents for a year entitled to vote, if able to read or write English.

SEC. 7. That all citizens of the United States, twenty-one years of age and over, who are actual and bona fide residents of Alaska, and who have been such residents continuously during the entire year immediately preceding the election, and who have been such residents continuously for thirty days next preceding the election in the precinct in which they vote, and who are able to read and write the English language as herein prescribed and provided, and who are not barred from voting by any other provision of law, shall be qualified to vote at any of the elections herein mentioned.

Punishment for violations.

SEC. 8. That any person who violates any of the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500, or by imprisonment in jail for not more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

March 3, 1927.

[H. R. 6252.]

[Public, No. 767.]

CHAP. 364.—An Act Amending section 52 of the Judicial Code.

United States courts. Vol. 36, p. 1101, amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 52 of the Judicial Code be, and the same is hereby, amended by adding thereto the following:

Patent appeals. District of Columbia Supreme Court to issue writs, if adverse party in foreign country, etc. Ante, p. 1336. R. S., sec. 4918, p. 951.

“And upon the filing of a bill in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia wherein remedy is sought under section 4915 or section 4918 of the Revised Statutes, without seeking other remedy, if it shall appear that there is an adverse party residing in a foreign country, or adverse parties residing in a plurality of districts not embraced within the same State, the court shall have jurisdiction thereof and writs shall, unless the adverse party or parties voluntarily make appearance, be issued against all of the adverse parties with the force and effect and in the manner set forth in this section; provided that writs issued against parties residing in foreign countries pursuant to this section may be served by publication or otherwise as the court shall direct.”

Approved, March 3, 1927.

Service by publication.

March 3, 1927.

[H. R. 3553.]

[Public, No. 768.]

CHAP. 365.—An Act To establish in the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Department of Commerce a Foreign Commerce Service of the United States, and for other purposes.

Foreign Commerce Service. Established in Department of Commerce. Grades of officers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby established in the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Department of Commerce the Foreign Commerce Service of the United States (hereinafter referred to as the “foreign commerce service”), consisting of officers to be graded in the following order and to be known as commercial attachés, assistant commercial attachés, trade commissioners, and assistant trade commissioners.

Duties specified.

SEC. 2. Under the direction of the Secretary of Commerce (hereinafter referred to as the “Secretary”), the officers of the foreign commerce service shall—

Promotion of foreign commerce. Investigate, etc., commercial conditions abroad.

- (a) Promote the foreign commerce of the United States;
- (b) Investigate and report upon commercial and industrial conditions and activities in foreign countries which may be of interest to the United States;