EFFECTIVE DATE

SEC. 17. The foregoing provisions of this Act shall not take effect until accepted by concurrent resolution of the Philippine Legislature or by a convention called for the purpose of passing upon that question as may be provided by the Philippine Legislature.

Approved, March 24, 1934.

[CHAPTER 86.]

AN ACT

Fixing the date for holding elections of a Delegate from Alaska to the House of Representatives and of members of the Legislature of Alaska; fixing the date on which the Legislature of Alaska shall hereafter meet; prescribing the personnel of the territorial canvassing board, defining its duties, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the election of a Delegate from the Territory of Alaska to the House of Representatives provided for by the Act of Congress entitled "An Act providing for the election of a Delegate to the House of Representatives from the Territory of Alaska", approved May 7, 1906, as amended, and the election of the members of the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, provided for by the Act of Congress entitled, "An Act to create a legislative assembly in the Territory of Alaska, to confer legislative power thereon, and for other purposes", approved August 24, 1912, shall hereafter be held on the second Tuesday in September in the year 1934, and every second year thereafter on the said second Tuesday in September.

SEC. 2. That the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska shall hereafter convene at the capitol at the city of Juneau, Alaska, on the second Monday in January in the year 1935, and on the second Monday in January every two years thereafter.

SEC. 3. That the canvassing board for the Territory of Alaska created by the Act of Congress entitled "An Act providing for the election of a Delegate to the House of Representatives from the Territory of Alaska", approved May 7, 1906, shall hereafter consist of the Governor, the secretary of the Territory, and the collector of customs for Alaska. It shall be the duty of the said canvassing board to canvass and compile in writing the vote specified in the certificates of election returned to the Governor from the several election precincts in the Territory and to keep an accurate record of each voting precinct in the Territory and the date of its creation. The said canvassing board shall commence the performance of its duties at the office of the Governor within ten days after the second Tuesday in October in each year in which an election is held as hereinabove provided, and shall continue with such work from day to day until the same is completed. No packages containing election returns shall be opened until the canvass commences, at which time they shall be opened in public and in such manner and under such conditions, as nearly as possible, as to give all parties interested an opportunity to see the returns. In case it shall appear to the board that no election return, as herein prescribed, has been received by the Governor from any precinct in which an election has been held, the said board may accept in place thereof the certified copy of the certificate of election for such precinct received from the clerk of the court, and may canvass and compile the same with the other election returns. The canvassing board shall terminate the canvass and issue the certificates of election so soon as it is satisfied that no missing return would, if received, change the result of a canvass

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Territorial canvassing board. Composition, duties, etc.

Accurate record to be kept.

Period of services.

Opening returns.

Certifying names, where returns justify.
Treatment of missing returns.

Based upon the returns at hand, but when the board has information that an election was held at any precinct from which no return has been received and which return, if received, the board has reason to believe will affect the result of the election, it shall be the duty of the board to avoid the arrival of such return until 4 o'clock post-meridian on the 10th day of December in the year during which the election is held, but no longer, and any return received after that time shall not be counted by the board.

Elections, provisions governing.

Upon the completion of the said canvass as herein provided, the said board shall declare the person who has received the greatest number of votes for the office for which he is a candidate elected to such office for the term for which he is elected, and shall issue and deliver to him in writing, under their hands and seals, a certificate of his election. It shall be the duty of the Governor to preserve all election returns carefully and inviolate, and, after the certificates of result have been canvassed, to replace the returns into the packages from which they were taken and carefully seal the same and preserve all such returns inviolate for at least two years thereafter, unless sooner called upon by the House of Representatives of Congress or some court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction to produce the same for inspection. It shall also be the duty of the Governor to notify each successful candidate of his election, and to do so by the speediest means of communication.

Sec. 4. Except as herein otherwise provided, all of the provisions of the Acts of May 7, 1906, and of August 24, 1912, hereinabove referred to, shall continue in full force and effect until altered, amended, or repealed by Congress. And any and all laws enacted by the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska pertaining to elections in said Territory shall remain in full force and effect until altered, amended, or repealed by the said Legislature or by Congress. That the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska shall have the power from time to time as the need therefor may arise, to change the date of general elections in the said Territory, including the date of election of a Delegate from the Territory of Alaska to the House of Representatives and of the members of the territorial legislature; and that the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska shall also have the power by law to change from time to time the personnel of the canvassing board, the dates of its meetings, and may prescribe its duties.

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[CHAPTER 87.]

AN ACT

To authorize annual appropriations to meet losses sustained by officers and employees of the United States in foreign countries due to appreciation of foreign currencies in their relation to the American dollar, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there are authorized to be appropriated annually such sums as may be necessary to enable the President, in his discretion and under such regulations as he may prescribe and notwithstanding the provisions of any other Act and upon recommendation of the Director of the Budget, to meet losses sustained on and after July 15, 1933, by officers, enlisted men, and employees of the United States while in service in foreign countries due to the appreciation of foreign currencies in their relation to the American dollar, and to cover any deficiency in the accounts of the Treasurer of the United States, including interest, arising out of the arrangement approved by the President on July 27, 1933, for the conversion into foreign currencies of checks.

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Foreign service officers and employees. Annual appropriations authorized to meet losses, due to foreign currency appreciation. Pest, pp. 384, 1060.

To cover deficiencies in Treasurer's accounts.