

[CHAPTER 192]

AN ACT

To extend the provisions of the Federal Airport Act to the Virgin Islands.

April 17, 1948
[S. 2081]
[Public Law 486]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Federal Airport Act of 1946 is hereby amended by—

(1) Adding after the words "Puerto Rico", wherever they appear in paragraph 7 of section 2 (a) and in sections 3 (a), 7, and 9 (c) thereof, the phrase "and the Virgin Islands".

60 Stat. 170.
49 U. S. C. §§ 1101(a)
(7), 1102(a), 1106,
1108 (c).
49 U. S. C. § 1109 (c).

(2) Adding after the word "Alaska" appearing in section 10 (c) the phrase "and the Virgin Islands".

Approved April 17, 1948.

[CHAPTER 215]

AN ACT

To amend section 7 of the District of Columbia Traffic Act, 1925, as amended, to provide for learners' permits, and for other purposes.

April 20, 1948
[H. R. 4572]
[Public Law 487]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 7 (a) of the District of Columbia Traffic Act, 1925, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

D. C. Traffic Act,
1925, amendment.
43 Stat. 1121.
D. C. Code, Supp.
VI, § 40-301 (a).
Operator's permit.

"(a) (1) Upon application made under oath and the payment of the fee hereinafter prescribed, the Commissioners or their designated agent shall issue a motor vehicle operator's permit to any individual who, after examination, in the opinion of the Commissioners or their designated agent, is mentally, morally, and physically qualified to operate a motor vehicle in such manner as not to jeopardize the safety of individuals or property. The Commissioners or their designated agent shall cause each applicant to be examined as to his knowledge of the traffic regulations of the District and shall require the applicant to give a practical demonstration of his ability to operate a motor vehicle within a congested portion of the District and in the presence of such individuals as may be authorized to conduct the demonstration, except that upon the renewal of any such operator's permit such examination and demonstration may be waived in the discretion of the Commissioners or their designated agent. Should the Commissioners or their designated agent believe that the issuance or reissuance of a permit in accordance with the provisions of this Act may prove a menace to public safety, they or their agent may refuse the issuance or reissuance thereof. Operators' permits shall be issued for a period not in excess of three years upon compliance with such regulations as the Commissioners or their designated agent may prescribe. The fee for any such permit shall be \$3. No operator's permit shall be issued to any individual under sixteen years of age. No operator's permit issued to any individual under eighteen years of age shall authorize the operation by such individual while he is under the age of eighteen years of any motor vehicle other than a passenger vehicle or motorcycle or motor bicycle, used solely for purposes of pleasure: *Provided*, That such permit shall not authorize the operation by any such individual under the age of eighteen years of any such motor vehicle for compensation.

Examination.

Period of permit.

Fee.

Age restriction.

"(2) Upon application made under oath and the payment of a fee of \$1, the commissioners or their designated agent may issue a learner's permit to any applicant who has successfully passed all parts of the examination other than the driving demonstration test. Such permit shall entitle the permittee, while having such permit in his immediate possession, to drive a passenger motor vehicle in the District for a

Learner's permit.