

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 5703, June 21, 1969]

AN ACT MAKING THE MUNICIPALITY OF MASBATE, PROVINCE OF MASBATE, A PORT OF ENTRY, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE SECTION SEVEN HUNDRED AND ONE OF THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED, AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS THEREFOR.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. Section seven hundred one of Republic Act Numbered Nineteen hundred thirty-seven, otherwise known as the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 701. *Collection Districts and Ports of Entry thereof.*½For administrative purposes, the Philippines shall be divided into as many collection districts as there are at present existing, the respective limits of which may be changed from time to time by the Commissioner of the Bureau of Customs, upon the approval of the department head. The principal ports of entry for the respective collection districts shall be Manila, Sual, Tabaco, Cebu, Pulupandan, Sia-in, Iloilo, Davao, Legaspi, Zamboanga, Jolo, Aparri, Jose Panganiban, Cagayan, Tacloban, San Fernando, Hinigaran, Dumaguete City, San Jose, Maasin, Masao, Iligan City, Batangas, Batalay, Supang, Virac, Cabugao, Gaang, Dagupan City, Bislig, Catbalogan, Suri and Masbate."

SEC. 2. The sum of two hundred thousand pesos is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any funds in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the establishment and operation of the customs service at the port of Masbate, Province of Masbate. Such sums as may be necessary for its operation and maintenance in subsequent years, shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved, June 21, 1969.



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