

**[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4088, June 18, 1964 ]**

**AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF COMMONWEALTH ACT NUMBERED THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF BACOLOD.**

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

SECTION 1. The last paragraph of Section eight of Commonwealth Act Numbered Three hundred twenty-six is amended to read as follows:

"He shall receive a salary of ten thousand pesos a year. The mayor may receive, in addition to his salary, an allowance to be fixed by the city council, which he may disburse for any lawful purpose incident to his duties as mayor."

SEC. 2. The second paragraph of Section nine of the same Act is hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. The last paragraph of Section thirteen of the same Act is amended to read as follows:

"The vice-mayor shall receive a salary of six thousand six hundred pesos *per annum*, and the members of the city council shall each receive a salary of four thousand eight hundred pesos *per annum*."

SEC. 4. The first paragraph of Section fourteen of the same Act is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 14. *Appointment and duties of secretary of council.*—The council shall have a secretary, who shall be elected by it to serve during the term of office of the members. A vacancy in the office of the secretary shall be filled temporarily or for the unexpired term in like manner. The compensation of the secretary shall be fixed by the council at not less than four thousand two hundred Pesos a year."

SEC. 5. Subsections (l) and (m) of Section seventeen of the same Act are amended to read as follows:

"(l) To regulate and fix the amount of the license fees for the following: hawkers, peddlers, hucksters, not including hucksters or peddlers who sell only native vegetables, fruits, or goods, personally carried by the hucksters or peddlers, auctioneers, plumbers, barbers, embalmers, collecting agencies, mercantile agencies, shipping and intelligence offices, private detective agencies, advertising agencies, massagists, tattooers, jugglers, acrobats, hotels, clubs, restaurants, cafes, lodging houses, boarding houses, dealers in large cattle, public billiard tables, laundries, cleaning and dyeing establishments, public warehouses, dance halls,

cabarets, circus and other similar parades, public vehicles, race tracks, horse races, bowling alleys, shooting galleries, slot machines, merry-go rounds, pawnshops, dealers in second-hand merchandise, junk dealers, brewers, distillers, rectifiers, money changers and brokers, public ferries, and the keeping, preparation, and sale of meat, poultry, fish, game, butter, cheese, lard, vegetables, bread and other provisions. To regulate, tax and fix the license fees of: (a) theaters, theatrical performances, cinematographs, public exhibitions, circuses, and all other performances and places of amusements; and (b) sugar centrals and rice mills. To tax and fix the license fees on (a) dealers in new automobiles or accessories or both, and (b) retail dealers in new merchandise, which dealers are not yet subject to the payment of any municipal tax. For the purposes of taxation, these retail dealers shall be classified as (1) retail dealers in general merchandise, and (2) retail dealers exclusively engaged in the sale of (a) textiles including knitted wares, (b) hardwares including glasswares, cooking utensils, electrical goods and construction materials, (c) groceries including toilet articles except perfumery, (d) drugs including medicines and perfumeries, (e) books including stationery, paper, and office supplies, (f) jewelry, (g) slippers, (h) arms, ammunitions, and sporting goods.

"m) To tax, fix the license fee, regulate the business and fix the location of match factories, blacksmith shops, foundries, steam boilers, lumber yards and lumber dealers, shipyards, the storage and sale of gunpowder, tar, pitch, resin, coal, oil, gasoline, benzine, turpentine, hemp, cotton, nitroglycerine, petroleum, or any of the products thereof and all other highly combustible or explosive materials, and other establishments likely to endanger the public safety or give rise to conflagrations or explosions, and, subject to the regulations issued by the Bureau of Health services in accordance with law, tanneries, renderies, tallow, chandleries, embalming, and funeral parlors, bone factories and soap factories.

SEC 6. The last paragraph of Section nineteen of the same Act is amended to read as follows:

"There shall be a City Court for which two judges shall be appointed."

SEC. 7. Section twenty-one of the same Act is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 21. *The City Court.*—There shall be two judges and two auxiliary judges of the City Court for the city who shall have the same powers, duties and jurisdiction as municipal judges and auxiliary municipal judges generally; and, in addition thereto, territorial jurisdiction over the entire police zone of the city. All fines, forfeitures, and fees imposed and collected by the judges authorized by this section shall accrue to the benefit of the city treasurer. The City Court of the City of Bacolod shall have concurrent territorial jurisdiction with the Court of First Instance of the Province of Occidental Negros and the municipal courts of the respective municipalities to try crimes and misdemeanors committed within the zone for police purposes as provided for in Section six of this Charter. The court first taking jurisdiction of such an offense shall thereafter retain exclusive territorial jurisdiction thereof."