[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3092, June 17, 1961]

AN ACT TO AMEND CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE REVISED ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section eighteen hundred twenty-six of Act Numbered Twenty-seven hundred eleven, otherwise known as the Administrative Code, is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 1826. *Regulation setting apart forest reserves—permanency of same*.&mdashUpon the recommendation of the Director of Forestry, with the approval of the Department Head, the President of the Philippines shall set apart forest reserves which shall include denuded forest lands from the public lands and he shall by proclamation declare the establishment of such forest reserves and the boundaries thereof, and thereafter such forest reserves shall not be entered, or otherwise disposed of, but shall remain indefinitely as such for forest uses.

The President of the Philippines may, in like manner upon the recommendation of the Director of Forestry, with the approval of the Department head, by proclamation modify the boundaries of any such forest reserve to conform with subsequent precise survey but not to exclude any portion thereof except with the concurrence of Congress.

SEC. 2. Section twenty-seven hundred and fifty-one of the Administrative Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 2751. *Unlawful occupation or destruction of public forest*.&mdashWithout the written permission of the Director of Forestry or his duly authorized representative, it shall be unlawful for any person willfully to enter upon any public forest, proclaimed timberland, communal forest, communal pasture, and forest reserve and occupy the same, or to make "caingin" therein or in any manner destroy such forest or part thereof, or to cause any damage to the timber stand and other forest products and forest growth found therein, or to assist, aid or abet any other person so to do. It shall also be unlawful for any person negligently to permit a fire which has been set upon his own premises to be communicated, with destructive results, to any of the public forest herein-above described. Any person violating this section shall suffer—

"(a) If the offense is committed within a proclaimed timberland or a communal forest or communal pasture, a fine of three times the regular