

**[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 73, October 21, 1946 ]**

**AN ACT TO SUBMIT TO THE FILIPINO PEOPLE, FOR APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL, THE AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PHILIPPINES TO BE APPENDED AS AN ORDINANCE THERETO, PROPOSED BY THE CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES IN A RESOLUTION OF BOTH HOUSES, ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER EIGHTEEN, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-SIX, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS THEREFOR.**

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

SECTION 1. The amendment to the Constitution of the Philippines to be appended as an Ordinance thereto, proposed by the Congress of the Philippines in a Resolution of Both Houses, adopted on September eighteen, nineteen hundred and forty-six, shall be submitted to the people, for approval or disapproval, at a general election which shall be held on March eleven, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 2. The said amendment shall be published in English and Spanish in three consecutive issues of the *Official Gazette* at least twenty days prior to the election. A printed copy thereof shall be posted in a conspicuous place in every municipal, city and provincial government office building and in every polling place not later than February eleven, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, and shall remain posted therein until after the election. At least, ten copies of the said amendment shall be kept in each polling place to be made available for examination by the qualified electors during election day. When practicable, copies in the principal native languages, as may be determined by the Commission on Elections, shall also be kept in each polling place.

SEC. 3. The provisions of Commonwealth Act Numbered Three hundred and fifty-seven, otherwise known as the Election Code, and Commonwealth Act Numbered Six hundred and fifty-seven, entitled "An Act to Reorganize the Commission on Elections," in so far as they are not inconsistent herewith, are hereby made applicable to the election provided for in this Act.

SEC. 4. On or before February one, nineteen hundred and forty-seven, the Commission on Elections, shall, directly or through its authorized provincial representatives, appoint a board of election inspectors and a poll clerk. Two inspectors, one of whom shall be the chairman of the board, and their substitutes, shall be appointed upon the recommendation of the Liberal Nationalist Party; one inspector and his substitute shall be recommended by the Nationalist Party (conservative) and/or political parties coalesced with it in the last national elections; and the poll clerk and his substitute shall be chosen by the Commission on Elections.