

[ Act No. 2494, February 05, 1915 ]

**AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS.**

*By authority of the United States, be it enacted by the Philippine Legislature, that:*

SECTION 1. The following sums, or such part thereof as Appropriation, may be necessary, are hereby appropriated, out of any funds in the Insular Treasury from the sale of bonds for public works or permanent improvements, and in default thereof, out of any funds in the Insular Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for public works and permanent improvements as mentioned hereunder, and for other purposes of the Insular Government:

EXECUTIVE BUREAU.

(a) *National monuments.*—For the improvement and maintenance of the monument dedicated to the heroes of the construction of an adjacent park to said monument, the construction of its connections with Manila and Caloocan, once definitely fixed by the Governor-General the most adequate site for said monument, and for the improvement and maintenance of other historical monuments, which in addition to said monument dedicated to the heroes of '96, their parks and connections shall be under the care of the Executive Secretary: *Provided,* That the city of Manila and any provincial board affected shall be authorized to appropriate from their funds of any kind whatsoever, any sum approved by the Executive Secretary, to aid in the construction of the specified work herein, and such city of Manila and provincial boards affected shall be likewise authorized to ;, collect public subscriptions to be destined to the same object, whenever necessary

P50,000.00  
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BUREAU OF HEALTH.

(b) For necessary and indispensable repairs and improvements at Insular hospitals, including building and equipment of a new sanitary kitchen at San Lazaro Hospital 25,000.00

(c) For the construction and equipment of buildings for the lodgment and isolation of suspected cases and leper convalescents in the city of Manila 15,000.00

(d) For (continuance of construction at Culion, including not to exceed P3,000 for installation of a wireless station 25,000.00

Total for the Bureau of Health	65,000.00
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BUREAU OF LANDS.

(e) For the repair and reconstruction of the friar lands irrigation systems: <i>Provided</i> , That P25,000 shall also be made available for this purpose by allotment from all profits which heretofore may have been realized from friar lands loans: And provided. further, That reimbursements to the general appropriation made for the Bureau of Lands arising under section seven of Act Numbered Seventeen hundred and thirty-six may also be available in the fiscal year nineteen hundred and fifteen for the foregoing purposes	35,000.00
(f) For filling up the estero and nearby lowlands on the northern part of the Calle de Isaac Peral, Manila	8,000.00
Total for the Bureau of Lands	43,000.00
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BUREAU OF SCIENCE.

(g) For the improvement of the aquarium	2,000.00
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BUREAU OF FORESTRY.

(h) For building for recitation rooms, laboratory and other purposes for forest: school at Los Baños	10,000.00
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BUREAU OF QUARANTINE SERVICE.

(i) For the necessary and indispensable repair of quarantine stations, buildings and structures	3,000.00
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BUREAU OF CONSTABULARY.

(j) For the construction of a comandancia for the Constabulary at Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija	5,000.00
(k) For the reconstruction, alteration, and improvement of the barracks of the Constabulary at Naga, Ambos Camarines; at Ilagan, Isabela; at Santa Cruz, Laguna; at Lingayen, Pangasinan; at	10,858.00

Catbalogan, Samar; at Sorsogon, Sorsogon; for repairs, Laoag, Ilocos Norte; Malolos, Bulacan; Banaue, Mountain Province; Bontoc, Mountain Province; Dapitan. District of Mindanao; Cotabato, Mmdanao; Zamboanga, Mindanao; Puerto Princesa, Palawan; Balabac; for repairs and painting of permanent buildings at Baguio; and for repairs to other buildings occupied by the Constabulary to be expended in the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce and Police

Total for the Bureau of Constabulary

15,858.00

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### BUREAU OF PUBLIC WORKS.

(l) For the construction, improvement, and where necessary for the maintenance of roads arid bridges in such provinces as shall accept the provisions of Act Numbered Sixteen hundred and fifty-two, which by a resolution of the provincial board shall guarantee by continuing annual appropriations the establishment of a system of maintenance as may be necessary in the opinion of the Director of Public Works, on all first-class roads, at present constructed or which in future may be constructed, and are so declared by the Director of Public Works, including the construction, improvement, and maintenance of roads and bridges in the Provinces of Palawan and Batanes, and in the provinces organized under Act Numbered Twenty-four hundred and eight to be apportioned in proportion to the number of inhabitants of each province: *Provided*, That the continuing annual apportionment of five hundred thousand pesos created by section one of Act Numbered Nineteen hundred and eighty-eigrht, is hereby abolished to take effect January first, nineteen hundred and sixteen

1,500,000.00

(m) For the construction, improvement, and where necessary the maintenance of roads and bridges in the provinces accepting the provisions of Act Numbered Sixteen hundred and fifty-two, and that by resolution of the provincial board shall guarantee by annual appropriation the establishment of such system of maintenance as may be necessary in the judgment of the Director of Public Works on all first-class roads now constructed or which may be constructed in the future and declared as such by the Director of Public Works and in the provinces organized under the Special Provincial Government Act, and in the

300,000.00

provinces organized under Act Numbered Twenty-four hundred and eight, which shall be distributed amongst the provinces which have not so far received special apportionments or which have received such apportionments in less than fifty per centum if such apportionments had been made on the basis of the regular apportionments, in the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce and Police

(n) For the construction of roads, bridges, and waterworks in the Province of Mindoro 30,000.00

(o) For the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of wharves, piers, retaining walls, dams, and dredgings in the different districts of the Archipelago, including the purchase of necessary equipment to be apportioned in the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce and Police 300,000.00

(p) *Artesian wells and waterworks systems.*—For the drilling of artesian wells and the establishment of a waterworks system whenever the provinces or municipalities concerned including those organized under Act Numbered Twenty-four hundred and eight and under the Special Provincial Government Act, shall adopt resolutions for the appropriation of funds covering the cost of one-third of the cost of the work, to be apportioned in the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce and Police: *Provided*, That the Director of Public Works is hereby authorized to drill wells for private parties upon the payment of one-third of the cost of the work and upon the condition that the public shall be permitted continuous use of the well: *Provided further*, That any municipality or provincial board that by virtue of the provisions of this Act shall incur in the expense of an artesian well resulting in a failure, shall have returned the amounts expended, if any, and are hereby relieved of the obligation contracted by them for the payment thereof: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated by provinces or municipalities to cover the cost of one-third part of the work shall be covered, unless otherwise provided by this Act, into the Insular Treasury upon the fixing by the Director of Public Works of the amount thereof; and for the study and construction of municipal systems of waterworks, whenever the provincial boards or municipalities concerned shall adopt resolutions for the appropriation of funds covering the cost of one-third part of the work to be apportioned in the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce and Police: *Provided*, That the funds appropriated by the provinces and municipalities to cover the cost