

[Act No. 3993, December 05, 1932]

AN ACT FURTHER TO AMEND SECTIONS ELEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FOUR, ELEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE AND ELEVEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-FIVE OF ACT NUMBERED TWENTY-SEVEN HUNDRED AND ELEVEN, KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, AUTHORIZING IN CERTAIN CANES THE CREATION OF A SPECIAL BOARD OF MARINE EXAMINERS FOR PATRONS OR ENGINEERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Legislature assembled and by the authority of the same:

SECTION 1. Section eleven hundred and eighty-four of Act Numbered Twenty-seven hundred and eleven, known as the Administrative Code of nineteen hundred and seventeen, as amended by Acts Numbered Twenty-eight hundred and fifty-two, Thirty-one hundred and seventy-seven, and Thirty-four hundred and twenty-six, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 1184. *Organization of the Board of Marine Examiners.*—There shall be maintained in the Bureau of Customs at Manila an Office of Marine Examiners which shall be occupied and used, by the Board of Marine Examiners for Deck officers and the Board of Examiners for Engineer Officers. The former shall consist of three master mariners one of whom may be of the Government service, and the latter of three chief engineers, one of whom may be of the Government service. The members of the two boards above mentioned shall be appointed by the Secretary of Finance at the recommendation of the Insular Collector of Customs, within not more than one month before each call and shall automatically cease upon submission of their certified report, under oath, of the result of the examination.

"Subject to the approval of the Secretary of Finance, the Insular Collector of Customs may appoint a Special Board of Marine Examiners consisting of three members who shall belong to the classified service of the Government and be master mariners or chief engineers with certificates duly issued, to conduct the examinations or tests of candidates for certificates as patron or bay, river and lake engineer, and to perform the functions of the regular boards of Marine Examiners in connection with said examinations in the ports or places designated by the Insular Collector of Customs, whenever the public interest may require it and when none of the regular boards for deck officers or engineer officers, as the case may be, is regularly appointed and sitting. The members of said Special Board of Marine Examiners shall act as such without additional compensation. Two members of any of the Boards of Marine Examiners, regular or special, mentioned in this Act shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Insular Collector of Customs shall appoint an officer or employee of the Bureau of Customs to act as secretary of the Board of Marine Examiners. It shall be duty of the secretary to record, take charge of, and keep all proceedings, documents, and other papers of the several boards of Marine Examiners, the creation of which is