

[Act No. 3725, November 21, 1930]

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR APPEAL IN CASES OF ORDERS OF COMMITMENT OF DELINQUENT MINORS BY AMENDING SECTION THREE OF ACT NUMBERED THIRTY-TWO HUNDRED AND THREE, ENTITLED "AN ACT RELATING TO THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF NEGLECTED AND DELINQUENT CHILDREN; PROVIDING PROBATION OFFICERS THEREFOR; IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF ITS PROVISIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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 three of Act Numbered Thirty-two hundred and three is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. Whenever any boy or girl less than eighteen years of age shall be accused in any court of an offense not punishable by life imprisonment or death, the court, before passing sentence of conviction, shall suspend all further proceedings in the case and shall commit such minor to the custody of any of the institutions mentioned in sections one and two of this Act, until said minor shall have reached his majority or for such less period as to the court may seem proper, subject to the conditions provided in section seven hereof, or may allow him to remain and be cared for elsewhere, under probation and subject to visitation and supervision of a probation officer, as hereinafter provided, whom the court may require to report from time to time on the case: *Provided*, That the court prior to making the commitment of any minor to any private institution shall take into consideration the religion of the minor and that of his parents or next of kin, and avoid his commitment to any private institution not under the control and supervision of the religious sect or denomination to which such minor or his parents or next of kin belong: *Provided, further*, That any such minor may appeal from the order of commitment issued as in this section provided in the same manner as appeals are made in all criminal cases in accordance with General Orders Numbered Fifty-eight, known as the Code of Criminal Procedure, as amended."

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect on its approval.

Approved, November 21, 1930.



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