

## [ Act No. 3525, February 21, 1929 ]

### **AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCE OF MASBATE TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF RAISING FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF PERMANENT PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, AND AUTHORIZING ALSO AN INSULAR GOVERNMENT BOND ISSUE SECURED BY SAID PROVINCIAL BONDS, 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. Pursuant to the provisions of section eleven of the Act of Congress approved August twenty-nine, nineteen hundred and sixteen, entitled "An Act to declare the purpose of the people of the United States as to the future political status of the people of the Philippine Islands, and to provide a more autonomous government for those Islands," as amended by the Act of Congress approved May thirty-first, nineteen hundred and twenty-two, the Province of Masbate is hereby authorized to negotiate a loan in the sum of sixty thousand pesos to be used for the construction of permanent public improvements as may be determined upon by the Provincial Board of Masbate with the approval of the Secretary of Commerce and Communications. At the request of the Provincial Board of Masbate, and upon recommendation of the Secretary of Finance, the necessary bonds for said loan shall be issued by the Governor-General of the Philippine Islands who is hereby authorized to issue the same in the name and behalf of said province. The bonds so authorized shall be issued in convenient denominations, in registered form, and shall be registered and transferable and payable in the office of the Insular Treasurer in Manila. They shall have the same date, bear interest at the same rate, and be payable at the same time as the bonds of the Government of the Philippine Islands authorized to be issued in section three of this Act: *Provided, however,* That the interest rate on said bonds shall not be in excess of five per centum per annum.

SEC. 2. The Governor-General is further authorized to "assign and transfer said bonds to the Government of the Philippine Islands for a consideration, charging the same to the net proceeds of the sale of the bonds of the Government of the Philippine Islands issued in an equivalent amount, as provided in section three of this Act, and to deposit the proceeds of said assignment with an authorized depository of the Government of the Philippine Islands. The proceeds of the assignment to the Insular Government a of said bonds shall be credited to the "Province of Masbate Public Improvement Bond Issue Fund" and be withdrawn only for the purpose set forth in this Act.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of War is hereby authorized to issue in the name and behalf of the Government of the Philippine Islands bonds to the amount of thirty thousand dollars, United States currency, for a term of thirty years, secured by the bonds of the Province of Masbate herein authorized and assigned and transferred to the Insular Government as provided in sections one and two of this Act. The Secretary of War shall determine the form of the insular bonds, the date of issue thereof, and the rate and dates of payment of the interest thereon, which rate shall not be in excess of five per centum per annum. The insular bonds may be coupon bonds or registered bonds, convertible, in the discretion of the Secretary of War, into either