

[Act No. 3567, November 26, 1929]

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION THREE HUNDRED AND NINETY-SEVEN OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, AS AMENDED BY ACT NUMBERED THIRTY-THREE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN, BY AUTOMATICALLY APPROPRIATING THE SUMS NECESSARY TO COVER THE SHARE OF THE INSULAR GOVERNMENT IN THE EXPENSES OF ELECTIONS.

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 hundred and ninety-seven of the Administrative Code, as amended by Act Numbered Thirty-three hundred and eighty-seven, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 397. *Expenses of elections.*—The pay of election boards and the expenses of stationery, ballots and all other expenses of election shall be paid in full by the municipal treasurer concerned, and the cost thereof shall be prorated between the treasuries of the insular and provincial governments and of the municipal government of the municipality in which the election is held according to the following basis: Thirty per cent to be charged against the Insular Government, thirty per cent against the provincial government, and forty per cent against the municipality: *Provided, however,* That in case of a special election the branch of the Government for which the election is held shall exclusively bear the expenses.

"The expenses incident to the holding of the first special election in a new municipality shall be advanced, so far as necessary for the proper conduct of the election, by the province, and such advances shall be afterwards collected from the municipality by the province.

"Such sums as may be necessary to cover the share of the Insular Government in the expenses of election as above provided are hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Insular Treasury not otherwise appropriated: *Provided, however,* That no fund shall be set up in the books of the auditor by virtue of this Act until the sum necessary for the current year shall have been determined."

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

Approved, November 26, 1929.



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