

[Act No. 3227, November 06, 1925]

AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE NECESSARY EXPENSES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SIX, 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. The following sums, or so much thereof as may be respectively necessary, are hereby appropriated, out of any funds in the Insular Treasury not appropriated for other purposes, in compensation of the service of the Philippine Government for the fiscal year ending December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and twenty-six, unless otherwise stated:

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SEC. 2. Any provision of existing law to the contrary notwithstanding, no person shall be employed under contract by the Insular Government unless this be authorized by an appropriation in this Act.

SEC. 3. No vacancy in any position for which funds are appropriated in this Act, occurring after the same has taken effect, shall be filled without the approval of the Secretary of Finance, who shall authorize this only when the appointment is rendered absolutely necessary by the demands of the public service: *Provided, however,* That appointments submitted to the Senate for confirmation and appointments of employees of the Houses of the Legislature shall not be governed by this provision.

SEC. 4. The Secretary of Finance is hereby authorized, subject to the approval of the Governor-General, to restore the irrigation system and Manila port works bond funds created by Acts Nos. 2908 and 2940, and, subject to the same approval, to replace the investments of the sinking funds other than the securities prescribed by Act No. 3014, with any unexpended surplus in the general funds not set aside for other purposes there may be at the close of the year 1925 and successive years, until the restoration and replacement provided for in this section shall have been completed; and the sums necessary for this purpose are hereby appropriated.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect on January first, nineteen hundred and twenty-six.

Approved, November 6, 1925.



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