

[Act No. 2813, March 04, 1919]

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINE, EIGHT HUNDRED AND ELEVEN, EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN, AND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTEEN OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, AUTHORIZING THE HOLDING OF A SPECIAL EXAMINATION FOR OPTICIANS, UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

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 eight hundred and nine of the Administrative Code is hereby amended to read as follows':

"SEC. 809. *Board of Examiners: appointment of members and substitution thereof.*—The Secretary of the Interior shall appoint a Board of Optical Examiners consisting of three reputable opticians practicing the optical profession in the Philippine Islands at the time of their appointment and graduates of any reputable university, academy, college, school or institution legally constituted and recognized as such by the Government or the State in which established. They shall hold office for three years after their appointment, and until their successors are duly appointed and qualified.

"The Secretary of the Interior shall fill any vacancy that may occur in the Board of Examiners, designating a duly qualified optician, and the person so appointed to fill a Vacancy shall hold office only for the unexpired term of the member whose place he is appointed to fill. The Secretary of the Interior may remove any member of said Board for neglect of duty, or incompetency, for unprofessional or dishonorable conduct, or for any other just cause."

SEC. 2. Section eight hundred and eleven of the Administrative Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 811. *Meetings, examination.*—The Board of Optical Examiners shall meet in the city of Manila for the purpose of examining candidates desiring to practice the optical profession in the Philippine Islands on the fourth Tuesday of April and October of each year, upon at least thirty days notice published in the most widely read newspapers of the locality."

SEC. 3. Section eight hundred and seventeen of the Administrative Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 817. *Prohibitions.*—It shall be unlawful for any person to advertise or practice as optician without having the certificate prescribed in this chapter. However, the provisions of this chapter shall not be construed to apply to any person selling as merchandise ready-made eyeglasses, spectacles or any other optical instrument, unless such person make use of the trial case or of practical and objective mechanical devices for the determination of the state of refraction and the accommodation of the