

[Act No. 2645., February 24, 1916]

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION SIX HUNDRED AND EIGHTEEN OF ACT NUMBERED ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY, ENTITLED "AN ACT PROVIDING A CODE OF PROCEDURE IN CIVIL ACTIONS AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS IN THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS," PRESCRIBING; ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS IN THE EXECUTION OF WILLS.

By authority of the United States, be it enacted by the Philippine Legislature, that:

SECTION 1. Section six hundred and eighteen of Act Numbered One hundred and ninety, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 618. *Requisites of will.*-No will, except as provided in the preceding section, shall be valid to pass any estate, real or personal, nor charge or affect the same, unless it be written in the language or dialect known by the testator and signed by him, or by the testator's name written by some other person in his presence, and by his express direction, and attested and subscribed by three or more credible witnesses in the presence of the testator and of each other. The testator or the person requested by him to write his name and the instrumental witnesses of the will, shall also sign, as aforesaid, each and every page thereof, on the left margin, and said pages shall be numbered correlatively in letters placed on the upper part of each sheet. The attestation shall state the number of sheets or pages used, upon which the will is written, and the fact that the testator signed the will and every page thereof, or caused some other person to write his name, under his express direction, in the presence of three witnesses, and the latter witnessed and signed the will and all pages thereof in the presence of the testator and of each other."

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect on the first of July, nineteen hundred and sixteen.

Enacted, February 24, 1916.



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