[Act No. 2431, December 23, 1914]

AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR SUNDRY EXPENSES OF THE INSULAR GOVERNMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

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 otherwise appropriated, in compensation for the service of the Insular Government for the fiscal year ending December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and fifteen, unless otherwise stated.

(See Table of Acts No. 2431 in PUBLIC LAWS PHILIPPINE LEGISLATURE VOLUME 10 Pages 67 to Pages149).

SEC. 2. There is hereby created an emergency board which Emergency board, shall consist of the Insular Auditor, the Insular Treasurer, the Attorney-General, the chairman of the Committee on Appropriations of the Philippine Assembly, and the senior member in point of service of the Philippine Commission, with the latter as chairman, whose duty it shall be, whenever application is made by any officer of the Government in charge of any work of construction or repair, or by the Director of any Bureau or Office of the Government, certifying that the needs of the work, Bureau, or Office concerned require the expenditure of a sum of money greater than the amount appropriated by the Legislature for such purpose, to hear such evidence as may be presented in support of such application and submit its report with its recommendation thereon to the Governor-General. The Governor-General with the concurrence of the Speaker of the Philippine Assembly, upon recommendation of a majority of the emergency board aforesaid, may authorize the expenditure of additional funds not specifically appropriated, in such amount as may be deemed necessary for the purposes of the work, Bureau, or Office concerned. The Governor-General, within thirty days after the opening of the next regular session of the Philippine Legislature, shall send to each body thereof a statement of the amount or amounts of the expenditures authorized under the provisions of this section.

For the purposes of this section, there is hereby appropriated from funds in the Insular Treasury not otherwise appropriated such sum or sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions hereof, not exceeding one million pesos: *Provided*, That no funds shall be set up on the books of the Auditor under this section until the same shall have been allotted by the Governor-General and the Speaker. This emergency board shall enter upon the discharge of its functions immediately after the close of the session of the Philippine Legislature in which this Act was passed and shall exist until October sixteenth, nineteen hundred and fifteen.

SEC. 3. Whenever the Governor-General shall be of the opinion that there is good reason for believing that the probable revenues of the Insular Treasury will not be sufficient to cover the expenditures provided for in this Act, he shall direct the emergency board to consider the condition of funds existing in the Insular Treasury, the expenditures already made and to be made, and the probable revenues until the