AN ACT AMENDING CHAPTER VI OF ACT NUMBERED ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SIX, ENTITLED "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF COURTS IN THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS," BY PRESCRIBING THE MANNER IN WHICH NOTARIES PUBLIC SHALL KEEP THEIR OFFICIAL REGISTERS, AND PROVIDING FOR SUPERVISION OVER NOTARIES PUBLIC AND FOR THE FINAL DISPOSITION OF NOTARIES' REGISTERS, AMENDING SECTION SEVEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE OF ACT NUMBERED ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY, KNOWN AS THE "CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE," SO AS TO INCREASE THE FEES WHICH NOTARIES PUBLIC MAY COLLECT IN CERTAIN CASES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section eighty-seven of Act Numbered One hundred and thirty-six, entitled "An Act for the organization of courts in the. Philippine Islands," is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 87. *Register of official acts.*— Every notary public, including officials who are ex officio notaries public, shall keep a acts, register of all his official acts, to be known as notarial register, and shall give a certified copy of his record, or any part thereof, to any person applying for it and paying the legal fees therefor.

"The notary public shall enter in such register, in chronological order, the nature of each instrument executed, sworn to, or acknowledged before him, the persons executing, swearing to, or acknowledging the instrument, the witnesses, if any, to the signatures, the date of the execution, oath, or acknowledgment of the instrument, the fees collected by him for his services as notary in connection therewith, and, when the instrument is a contract, a brief description of the substance thereof, and shall give to each entry a consecutive number, beginning with number one in each calendar year. The notary shall give to each instrument executed, sworn to, or acknowledged before him a number corresponding to the one in his register, and shall also state on the instrument the page or pages of his register on which the same is recorded. No blank line shall be left between entries. At the end of each week the notary public shall certify in his register the number of instruments executed, sworn to, or acknowledged before him, and if none have been executed, sworn to, or acknowledged that fact shall appear in the certificate. Such register shall be kept in books to be furnished by the Attorney-General to any notary public upon request and upon payment of the actual cost thereof. The register shall be duly paged, and on the first page the Attorney-General shall certify the number of pages of which the book consists.

"At the end of every month the notary public shall send to the clerk of the court of the province wherein he exercises his office a copy of the entries made in his register during the month, if any. The blank forms for