

## [ Act No. 2045, February 03, 1911 ]

### **AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ALL ELECTIVE PROVINCIAL AND MUNICIPAL OFFICES SHALL BE FOR FOUR YEARS; TO PROHIBIT A SECOND REELECTION TO THE SAME; TO CHANGE THE DATE OF THE GENERAL ELECTIONS; TO AMEND CERTAIN SECTIONS OF ACT NUMBERED FIFTEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO, KNOWN AS "THE ELECTION LAW," AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

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

Section 1. The next general election for provincial and municipal officials, including all municipal councilors, shall be held on the first Tuesday of June, nineteen hundred and twelve, and subsequent general elections on the same date each four years thereafter. The term of office of provincial and municipal officials elected at Term of office such general election or subsequent general elections shall be four years, and shall commence on the sixteenth day of October next following their election.

The present incumbents of provincial and municipal offices shall continue in office until their successors are elected or appointed and qualified: *Provided, however,* That if the Congress of the United States at the close of the present session shall not have postponed the next general election for Delegates to the Philippine Assembly next year, the next general election for Delegates to the Philippine Assembly and for provincial and municipal officials as above provided shall be held on the fifth day of September of the present year. In such event the following provisions of section twenty-nine of Act Numbered Fifteen hundred and eighty-two, to wit: "No person holding an elective public office, to which such person has been elected, shall present his candidacy, nor shall he be eligible while holding such office, at any municipal, provincial, or Assembly election, except for reelection to the office held by him," shall not be applicable to such election.

SEC. 2. A second reelection to any provincial or municipal office second is prohibited, except after four years.

SEC. 3. Paragraph seven of section three of Act Numbered Fifteen hundred and eighty-two, known as "The Election Law," is hereby amended to read as follows:

"So much of this Act as provides for elections of Delegates to Limited appitca-thc Philippine Assembly shall apply to the townships of Bulalacao, Calapan, Caluya, Lubang, Mamburao, Naujan, Pinamalayan, Concepcion. Abra de Ilog, San Jose, Paluan, and Sablayan in Mindoro and in the townships of Cagayancillo, Coron, Cuyo, and Puerto Pnneesa in Palawan, and the township of San Quintin in Ilocos Sur. which are hereby declared to be municipalities and containing a sufficient proportion of civilized people, for the purpose of electing Delegates to the Philippine Assembly, and for no other purpose. The provincial board of the province in which said townships are situated shall perform the duties devolved by this Act upon municipal councils with respect to such elections for Delegate to the Philippine Assembly and shall perform them sufficiently in advance of the times herein prescribed that the rights of the people or the times in which acts or duties are herein required or permitted to be done shall not

be abridged. In said townships at said elections the duties herein devolved upon municipal secretaries shall be done by the township secretary. The expense of such elections shall be borne by the townships in which they are held."

SEC. 4. Paragraphs two, three, and four of section four of said Act Numbered Fifteen hundred and eighty-two are hereby amended to read as follows:

"Whenever the election of an elective provincial officer shall have resulted in a failure to elect it shall be the duty of the Governor-General. General to issue as soon as possible a proclamation calling a special election to be held to fill said office. In the event of the death of a provincial officer-elect prior to his taking office, or whenever a provincial officer-elect shall, for any reason, fail to qualify, the Governor-General may, in his discretion, issue a proclamation calling a special election to be held to fill the vacancy, or appoint the person who shall fill the vacancy until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified for the subsequent term. In case a special election shall have been called and held and shall have resulted in failure to legally elect such provincial officer, the Governor-General shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy. The person so appointed shall hold office for the term for which the office should have been filled by election.

"Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the office of municipal president such office shall be filled by the vice-president, if there be one, for the unexpired term and until his successor is elected and qualified. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in any other elective municipal office, such office shall be filled by appointment by the provincial board and the officer so appointed shall serve until his successor is elected and qualified. Whenever the election of an elective municipal officer shall have resulted in a failure to elect, or in the event of the death of a municipal officer-elect, prior to his taking office, or whenever any municipal officer-elect shall, for any reason, fail to qualify, the provincial board shall appoint a duly qualified elector of the municipality to fill the vacancy until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified for the subsequent term.

"Upon the failure to elect any Delegate at election at which the office is authorized to be filled, or upon the death or disqualification of a person elected a Delegate before the beginning of his official term, or whenever a vacancy shall occur in the office of Delegate to the Philippine Assembly, the Governor-General shall make a proclamation of a special election to fill such office for the unexpired term, specifying the district in which the election is to be held, and the date thereof, which shall not be less than forty nor more than ninety days, reckoned from the date of the proclamation."

The last paragraph of section four of said Act Numbered Fifteen hundred and eighty-two is hereby stricken out and repealed.

SEC. 5. Section seven of Act Numbered Fifteen hundred and eighty-two is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 7. *Division into districts, and representation.*—Each district for which provision is hereinafter made shall be entitled to elect one Delegate to the Assembly: *Provided, however,* That the whole number elected from any province shall not exceed the number prescribed for that province in section five of this Act.

"The provinces hereinbefore mentioned as being entitled to elect more than one Delegate are hereby divided into Assembly districts, as follows:

"Albay : First District—Composed of the municipalities of Bacacay, Libog, Malilipot, Malinao, Tabaco, and Tiwi. Second District—Composed of the municipalities of Albay, Bato. Calolbon, Manito, Pandan, Rapu-Rapu, Viga, and Virac. Third District— Composed of the municipalities of Camalig, Guinobatan, Jovellar, Libon, Ligao, Oas, and Polangui.

"Ambos Camarines: First District—Composed of the municipalities of Basud, Cabusao, Capalonga. Daet, Gainza, fndan, Labo, Libmanan, Lupi, Mambulao, Milaor, Minalabac, Pamplona, Para-eale, Pasacao, Eagay, San Fernando, San Vicente, Sipocot, and Talisay. Second District—Composed of the municipalities of Bao, Bato, Bula, Calabanga, Carnaligan, Canaman, Iriga, Magarao,. Nabua, Fueva Caceres, and Pili. Third District —Composed of the municipalities of Buhi, Caramoan, Goa, Lagonoy, Sagnay, San Jose, Siruma, Tigaon, and Tinambac.

"Batangas: First District—Composed of the municipalities of Balayan, Calaca, Lemery, Nasugbu, Taal, Talisay, Tanauan, and Tuy. Second District—Composed of the municipalities of Alitag-tag, Batangas, Bauan, Cuenca, and Ibaan. Third District—Composed of the municipalities of Lipa, Loboo, Rosario, San Jose, San Juan de Bocboc, and Santo Tomas.

"Bohol: First District—Composed of the municipalities of Antequera, Baclayon, Calape, Corella, Cortes, Dauis, Loon, Maribojoc, Panglao, and Tagbilaran. Second District—Composed of the municipalities of Alburquerque, Balilihan, Batuan, Bilar, Carmen, Di-miao, Inabanga, Loay, Loboc, Sevilla, and Tubigon. Third District—Composed of the municipalities of Anda, Candijay, Duero, Garcia-Hernandez, Guindulman, Jagna, Jetafe, Mabini, Sierra-Bullones, Talibon, Ubay, and Valencia.

"Bulacan: First District—Composed of the municipalities of—Bulacan. Booae, Bulacan, Galumpit, Hagonoy, Malolos, Paombong, Pulilan, and Quingua. Second District—Composed of the municipalities of Angat, Baliuag, Meycauayan, Norzagaray, Obando, Polo, San Ilde-fonso. San Miguel, San Bafael, and Santa Maria.

"Cagayan: First District—Composed of the municipalities of —cagayan. Alcala. Amulung, Aparri, Baggao, Calayan, Camalaniugan, Gatta-ran, Iguig, Lal-lo, Pefia Blanca, and Tuguegarao. Second District—Composed of the municipalities of Abulug, Claveria, Enrile, Mauanan, Pamplona, Piat. Sanchez-Mira, Santo Nino. Solana, and Tuao.

"Capiz: First District—Composed of the municipalities of Capiz, — Dao, Dumarao, Iuisan, Panay, Panitan, Pilar, Pontevedra, and Sigma. Second

District—Composed of the municipalities of Calivo, Dumalag, Jamindan, Lezo, Libacao, Mambusao, New Washington, Sapián, and Tapas. Third District—Composed of the municipalities of Badajoz, Buruanga, Cajidiocan, Ibajay, Looc, Malinao, Nabas, Odiongan, Romblon, San Fernando, and Taft.

"Cebu: First District—Composed of the municipalities of Bogo, —Cebu-Borbon, Carmen, Catmon, Danao, Filar, San Francisco, Tabogon, and Tudela. Second District—Composed of the municipalities of Cebu, Liloan, Mandaue, and Opon. Third District—Composed of the municipalities of Carcar, Minglanilla, Naga, San Fernando, and . Talisay. Fourth District—Composed of the municipalities of Argao, Dalaguete, and Sibonga. Fifth District—Composed of the municipalities of Alegria, Badian, Boljo-on, Ginatilan, Malabuyoc, Moalbual, Oslob, and Samboan. Sixth District—Composed of the municipalities of Aloguinsan, Barili, Dumanjug, Pinamungajan, and Toledo. Seventh District—Composed of the municipalities of Asturias, Balamban, Bantayan, Daan-Bantayan, Medellin, San Be-migio, Santa Fe, and Tuburan.

"Ilocos Norte: First District—Composed of the municipalities —Ilocos Norte-of Bacarra, Bangui, Laoag, Pasuquin, Piddig, San Miguel, and Vintar. Second District—Composed of the municipalities of Badoc, Batac, Dingras, Paoay, San Nicolas, and Solsona.

"Ilocos Sur: First District—Composed of the municipalities of —Ilocos Sur-Bantay, Cabngao, Caoayan, Lapog, Magsingal, Santa Catalina, Santo Domingo, San Vicente, Sinit, and Vigan. Second District—Composed of the municipalities of Candon, Narvacan, San Esteban, Santa Cruz, Santa Lucia, Santa Maria, and Santiago. Third District—Composed of the municipalities of Bangued, Bucay, Dolores, La Paz, Pilar, San Quintin (township), Santa, and Tayum.

"Iloilo: First District—Composed of the municipalities of Guimbal, Miagao, Oton, San Joaquin, and Tigbauan. Second District— Composed of the municipalities of Arevalo, Buenavista, Iloilo, and Jaro. Third District—Composed of the municipalities of Caba-tuan, Leon, and Santa Barbara. Fourth District—Composed of the municipalities of Barotac Nuevo, Dumangas, Dingle, Janiuay, and Pototan. Fifth District—Composed of the municipalities of : Balasan, Banate, Passi, and Sara.

"La Laguna: First District—Composed of the municipalities of Alaminos, Bay, Binan, Cabuyao, Calamba, Cahrúan, Los Bafios, Pila, San Pablo, San Pedro Tunasan, and Santa liosa. Second District— Composed of the municipalities of Cavinti. Famy, Lilio, Longos, Luisiana, Lumban, Mabitac, Magdalena. Majayjay, Nagcarlan, Paete, Pagsanjan, Pangil, Santa Cruz, Santa Maria, and Siniloan.

"La Union : First District—Composed of the municipalities of Bacnotan, Balaoan, Bangar, Luna, San Fernando, and San Juan. Second District—Composed of the municipalities of Agoo, Aringay, Bauang, Cabaian, Rosario. Santo Tomas and Tubao.