

[Act No. 1910, May 19, 1909]

AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS TWENTY-TWO, TWENTY-SIX, THIRTY-ONE AND THIRTY-TWO OF ACT NUMBERED SEVENTEEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-ONE, REFERRED TO AS "THE OPIUM ACT," BY PROVIDING FOR THE DISPOSITION OF ALL TAXES, FINES, AND ALL OTHER MONEYS COLLECTED UNDER THIS ACT, INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF SECTIONS THIRTY-ONE AND THIRTY-TWO, REPEALING SECTION TWENTY-SEVEN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section twenty-two of Act Numbered Seventeen hundred and sixty-one, entitled "An Act gradually to restrict and regulate the sale and use of opium pending the ultimate prohibition of the importation of opium into the Philippine Islands in whatever form except for medicinal purposes as provided by the Act of Congress approved March third, nineteen hundred and five, and prohibiting any person from having the possession of opium, cocaine, or alpha or beta cocaine in any of their several forms, or any derivative or preparation of any of such drugs or substances, except or medicinal purposes, and to repeal Act Numbered Fourteen hundred and sixty-one. and for other purposes," is hereby amended to read as follows;

"SEC. 22. Any person claiming such seized property shall file his claiming such seized property shall file claim thereto as prescribed in the notice provided for in the preceding section, and shall deposit with the Collector of Internal executed to the Government of the Philippine Islands in the sum of five hundred pesos, duly approved by said Collector of Internal Revenue, and conditioned that the claimant will pay all costs and expenses of forfeiture and sale of the property in case forfeiture and sale thereof are adjudged. On the filing of such a bond the Collector of Internal Revenue shall proceed against such seized property in the same manner as is prescribed by Act Numbered Eleven hundred and eighty-nine, as amended, for the forfeiture and sale of property seized thereunder. If no person claims such seized properly, or if the claimant does not' give such a bond, such seized properly shall be considered abandoned, and shall be disposed of as any public property."

SEC. 2. Section twenty-six of said Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 26. Taxes, fines, and all other moneys collected by virtue of any of the provisions of this Act. shall be covered into the Insular Treasury and shall constitute a special fund to be devoted solely to the following purposes:

"First. The carrying out of the provisions of this Act and the provisions of paragraph eight of section eleven of the Act of Congress approved March third, nineteen hundred and five, entitled "An Act to revise and amend the tariff laws of the Philippine Islands, and for other purposes:

"Second. The payment; of the reasonable expenses, in some