[Act No. 1701, August 31, 1907]

AN ACT TO EQUALIZE AND SECURE UNIFORMITY IN SALARIES OF PROVINCIAL FISCALS, TO EMPOWER THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL TO CONSOLIDATE THE OFFICES OF FISCALS OF TWO OR MORE PROVINCES, TO DECLARE VACANT THE POSITION OF FISCAL OF ANY PROVINCE AND ASSIGN THE DUTIES THEREOF TO THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL, AND TO RESTORE THE STATUS EXISTING PRIOR TO SUCH CONSOLIDATION OR ABOLITION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. The provincial fiscals, in the provinces hereinafter named, shall receive the following salaries:

- (a) In the Provinces of Cebu, Iloilo, and Pangasinan, not less than four thousand live hundred pesos nor more than five thousand pesos per annum each;
- (b) In the Provinces of Albay, Ambos, Camarines, Bulacan, Ilocos Sur, La Laguna. Leyte, Occidental Negros, Pampanga, and Tayabas, not less than four thousand pesos nor more than four thousand five hundred pesos per annum each;
- (c) In the Provinces of Batangas, Bohol, Cagayan, Capiz, Rizal, Samar, and Sorsogon, not less than three thousand five hundred pesos nor more than four thousand pesos per annum each;
- (d) In the Provinces of Cavite, Ilocos Norte, La Union, Misamis, Nueva Ecija, Oriental Negros, Surigao, and Tarlac, and in the Mountain District, not less than three thousand pesos nor more than three thousand five hundred pesos per annum each;
- (e) In the Provinces of Agusan, Antique, Bataan, Isabela, Mindoro, Palawan, and Znmbales, not less than two thousand five hundred pesos nor more than Hirer; thousand pesos per annum each;
- SEC. 2. The Governor-General shall, upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Finance and Justice, fix the salaries of the respective provincial fiscals within the above limitations.
- SEC. 3. Whenever, in his judgment, the public interests will be promoted, by the consolidation of the offices of two or more provincial fiscals, the Governor-General may, upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Finance and Justice, declare such positions consolidated, appoint a fiscal thereto, fix the salary of the position resulting therefrom at not to exceed seventy-five per centum of the sum of the salaries of the positions consolidated, determine the, residence of the fiscal so appointed, and apportion among the provinces served the charges for salary, traveling expenses, clerical and other necessary expenses incident to the performance of the duties of the combined office.
- SEC. 4. Whenever, in his judgment, the public interests will be promoted thereby, the Governor-General may, upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Finance and Justice, declare the position of provincial fiscal in any province vacant, and