

[Act No. 1457, February 21, 1906]

AN ACT SO AMENDING SECTION THREE OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MANILA AS TO DEFINE MORE CLEARLY THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT FOR POLICE PURPOSES WITHIN THE ZONE SURROUNDING THE CITY, AND PROVIDING FOR THE BETTER ENFORCEMENT OF SUBSECTION (I) OF SECTION THREE OF ACT NUMBERED ELEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY, WHICH SUBSECTION RELATES TO THE PROTECTION OF THE PURITY OF THE WATER SUPPLY OF MANILA.

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

SECTION 1. Section three of Act Numbered One hundred and eighty-three, entitled "An Act to incorporate the city of Manila," is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

SEC. 2. The jurisdiction of the city of Manila for police purposes only shall extend to three miles from the shore into Manila Bay and over a zone surrounding the city on land of two and one-half miles in width. Within the two and one-half mile zone beyond the limits of the city the Court of First Instance and the municipal court of the city of Manila shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the Courts of First Instance and the courts of justices of the peace of the provinces and municipalities, respectively, to try crimes and misdemeanors committed therein. The court first taking jurisdiction of such an offense shall thereafter retain exclusive jurisdiction thereof. The police of the several municipalities concerned shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the police of the city of Manila for the maintenance of good order and the enforcement of lawful ordinances throughout the two and one-half mile zone: *Provided, however,* That any license that may lawfully be granted within the two and one-half mile zone shall be granted by the proper authorities of the municipality concerned, and the fees arising therefrom shall appertain to the treasury of the municipality concerned and not to that of the city of Manila: *And provided further,* That all fines, forfeitures, fees, and costs imposed by reason of offenses committed within the two and one-half mile zone shall accrue not to the treasury of the city of Manila, but to the treasury to which they would otherwise accrue had not this section been enacted."

SEC. 2. The provisions of section one of this Act as to concurrent jurisdiction of courts and of police shall also, until the new water system for the city of Manila is completed and in operation, be applicable to the enforcement of subsection (i) of section three of Act Numbered Eleven hundred and fifty, entitled "An Act further defining the powers and duties of the Board of Health for the Philippine Islands and of the Municipal Board of the city of Manila in connection with the preservation of the public health of that city, and repealing certain provisions of law relative thereto."

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect on its passage.

Enacted, February 21, 1906.
