

[Act No. 1394, September 13, 1905]

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS FIVE AND SIXTEEN OF ACT NUMBERED ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE, AS AMENDED, BY PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGNATION OF AN ACTING CHIEF OF PHILIPPINES CONSTABULARY, BY INCREASING THE PAY OF INSPECTORS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section five of Act Numbered One hundred and seventy-five, entitled "An Act providing for the organization and government of an Insular Constabulary and for the inspection of the municipal police," as amended, is hereby further amended so as to provide that in the event of the temporary absence of the Chief of Philippines Constabulary, or of his inability from any cause to perform the duties of his office, the same shall be performed during such absence or disability by an assistant chief of Constabulary to be designated by the Governor-General as Acting Chief of Philippines Constabulary.

SEC. 2. In addition to the pay provided by law for the commissioned officers of the Philippines Constabulary there shall be allowed and paid to each of such officers who is not an officer of the United States Army, detailed for service with the Constabulary, ten per centum of his current annual pay for each term of five years of service: *Provided*, That no such allowance shall be made to any officer within the period of one year after his pay been increased: *Provided further*, That the total amount of such increase for length of service shall in no case exceed forty per centum of the yearly pay of the grade as provided by law: *And provided further*. That no officer not a native of the Philippine Islands shall receive the increase in pay herein provided for until he shall have passed such examination in one of the native dialects as may be prescribed by the Chief of Philippines Constabulary, and no officer who is a native of the Philippine Islands shall receive such increase of pay until he has in like manner passed a satisfactory examination in the English language.

SEC. 3. Section sixteen of said Act. as amended, is hereby further amended by providing that the pay of inspectors of the Philippines Constabulary shall be as follows : First-class inspectors at an average of one thousand seven hundred dollars per annum, but not to exceed one thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars; second-class inspectors at an average of one thousand three hundred dollars per annum, but not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars: third-class inspectors at an average of one thousand two hundred dollars per annum, but not to exceed one thousand four hundred dollars; and fourth-class inspectors at an average of one thousand one' hundred dollars per annum, but not to exceed one thousand two hundred dollars: *Provided*, That officers not natives of the Philippine Islands who prove their ability to speak and read one of the local native dialects shall receive an additional compensation of fifty dollars each per annum, and every officer who is a native of the Philippine Islands who is able to speak and read the English language shall receive an additional compensation of fifty dollars.

SEC. 4. The term of enlistment in the Philippines Constabulary shall be three years, and to each enlisted man and to each non-commissioned officer there shall he paid,