

[Act No. 656, March 04, 1903]

AN ACT AMENDING ACT NUMBERED FOUR HUNDRED AND FORTY-FIVE, ENTITLED "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CIVIL GOVERNMENTS IN THE SETTLEMENTS OF THE NON-CHRISTIAN TRIBES OF THE PROVINCE OF ABRA," BY EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH OWNERS OF PROPERTY ARE REQUIRED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE PRESIDENT OF THE TOWNSHIP TO DECLARE THE VALUE OF PROPERTY AS A BASIS FOR TAXATION FROM THE THIRTY-FIRST OF JANUARY, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND THREE, UNTIL THE FIFTEENTH OF MAY, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND THREE.

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

SECTION 1. Act Numbered Four hundred and forty-five, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of civil governments in the settlements of the non-Christian tribes of the Province of Abra," is hereby amended so that the requirement of sections fifty-two and fifty-three of Act Numbered Three hundred and eighty-seven. providing for the establishment of local civil governments in the townships and settlements of Nueva Vizcaya, which by said Act Numbered Four hundred and forty-five were made applicable to the settlements of the non-Christian tribes of the Province of Abra, shall be suspended, in so far as they require property owners and taxpayers to make a declaration of the value of their property before the president of the township in which they live or in which their property lies before the thirty-first day of January, nineteen hundred and three, and it shall be a sufficient compliance for the year nineteen hundred and three with such sections of the law if the declarations therein required are made before the fifteenth day of May, nineteen hundred and three; and the provisions of law imposing penalties for failure to make the proper declarations before the thirty-first of January, nineteen hundred and three, are modified so that, for the year nineteen hundred and three, no penalties shall attach to failure to make such declarations if they are made before the fifteenth day of May, nineteen hundred and three.

SEC. 2. The taxes for the year nineteen hundred and three in the settlements of the non-Christian tribes of the Province of Abra may lie paid between the fifteenth day of May and the first day of October, nineteen hundred and three, on a day or days during each month to be fixed by the provincial supervisor-treasurer, and section fifty-eight of Act Numbered Three hundred and eighty-seven, in its application under Act Numbered Four hundred and forty-five in the settlements of the non-Christian tribes of the Province of Abra. for the year nineteen hundred and three, is accordingly amended.

SEC. 3. All penalties heretofore paid by property owners and taxpayers for failing to make declarations of the value of their property before the thirty-first, day of January, nineteen hundred and three, as prescribed by the Acts above referred to, shall be repaid by the provincial supervisor-treasurer to the persons paying the same.

SEC. 4. The public good requiring the speedy enactment of this bill, the passage of the same is hereby expedited in accordance with section two of "An Act prescribing