

[Act No. 345, February 01, 1902]

AN ACT DESIGNATING THE DAYS WHICH SHALL BE OBSERVED AS PUBLIC HOLIDAYS IN THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

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

SECTION 1. The first day of each week, commonly called Sunday, the first day of January, the twenty-second of February, Thursday and Friday of what is commonly called Holy Week, the fourth of July, the thirteenth of August, Thanksgiving Day, the twenty-fifth of December and the thirtieth of December shall be public holidays, and shall not be legally recognized as days for presenting for payment or acceptance, for the maturity and protest and for giving notice of the dishonor of bills of exchange, bank checks, and promissory notes, or other commercial or negotiable paper; and all notes, drafts, checks, or other commercial or negotiable paper falling due or maturing on any of said public holidays shall be deemed as having matured on the day previous: *Provided*, That in the case of notes, drafts, checks, or other commercial or negotiable paper falling due or maturing on any public holiday when the preceding day is also a public holiday, the same shall be deemed as having matured on the last preceding day which is not a public holiday.

SEC. 2. Whenever the first day of January, the twenty-second of February, the fourth of July, the thirteenth of August, the twenty-fifth of December, or the thirtieth of December shall fall on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, then and in such event the day next succeeding shall be a public holiday in the Philippine Islands, and shall not be legally recognized as a day for presenting for payment or acceptance, for the maturity and protest and giving notice of the dishonor of bills of exchange, bank checks, and promissory notes or other commercial or negotiable paper; and all notes, drafts, checks, or other commercial or negotiable paper; falling due or maturing on such public holiday shall be deemed as having matured on the previous Saturday.

SEC. 3. All laws or parts of laws hitherto in force in the Philippine Islands making public holidays other days than those designated as such in this Act are hereby repealed.

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 the order of procedure by the Commission in the enactment of laws," passed September twenty-sixth, nineteen hundred.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect on its passage.

Enacted, February 1, 1902.

