

[Commonwealth Act No. 299, June 09, 1938]

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, INCREASING THE SALARIES OF JUSTICES OF THE PEACE, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR.

Be it enacted by the National Assembly of the Philippines:

SECTION 1. Section two hundred and twenty of administrative Code, is amended so as to read as follows:

" SEC. 220. *Salaries of justices of the peace.*- Except as provided in the next succeeding section, justices of the peace shall receive the following salaries *per annum*:

" (a) In municipalities of the first class, from one thousand two hundred to one thousand four hundred forty pesos;

" (b) In municipalities of the second class, from one thousand eighty to one thousand two hundred pesos;

" (c) In municipalities of third class and fourth class, municipal districts and other places not specially provided for by law, from nine hundred and sixty to one thousand eighty pesos.

" Provided, That the Secretary of Justice shall, with the approval of the President, fix the salary of each justice of the peace within the above limitations, taking into consideration, among other things, the number of cases docketed in his court and the accessibility and means of transportation available between the different municipalities under his jurisdiction: *Provided, further*, that when a justice of the peace is appointed to act as justice of the peace of a district composed of two or more municipalities, or when he is designated to act temporarily in one or more municipalities in addition to his own municipality or district, in the first case, he shall be entitled to the salary of the largest municipality in his district, plus seventy-five *per centum* of the salary for the other municipality or municipalities therein; and in the second case, he shall be entitled to the salary of his municipality or district, plus seventy-five *per centum* of the salary for each municipality in which he is temporarily designated to act; but in no case shall he be entitled to an aggregate salary of more than two thousand and four hundred pesos per annum: *And provided, finally*, That the capital of a province shall not be grouped with any municipality and that no justice of the peace of the capital of any province or subprovince shall receive a salary less than one thousand eight hundred pesos per annum."

SEC. 2. To carry out the purposes of this Act, there is hereby appropriated, out of any funds in the National Treasury, the sum of three hundred sixty-three thousand four hundred sixty pesos.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.