

# [ Commonwealth Act No. 288, June 03, 1938 ]

## **AN ACT TO PROVIDE PENSION FOR VETERANS OF THE PHILIPPINE REVOLUTIONS OR WARS.**

*Be it enacted by the National Assembly of the Philippines:*

SECTION 1. The payment of pensions to veterans of the Philippine revolutions or wars who are old and have no apparent means of support or who have become physically or mentally unable to pursue normally their ordinary occupation, work, or employment is authorized.

SEC. 2. There is hereby created under the Department of the Interior a board to be known as the Board on Pensions for Veterans composed of five members, at least three of whom shall be former officers of the Philippine revolutions or wars, all to be appointed by the President of the Philippines with the consent of the Commission on Appointments of the National Assembly. The President of the Philippines shall designate the chairman of the Board and assign its office in the City of Manila or at any other place which he may deem convenient. It shall be the duty of the Board to determine the persons entitled to the pension under this Act, classify them by their rank/ in the last revolutions and wars and fix, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, the corresponding pension assigned to each rank: *Provided*, That the monthly pension which may be granted by the Board shall not be less than twenty pesos nor more than one hundred pesos.

SEC. 3. Any applicant entitled to a pension under this Act shall be paid monthly at the end of each month, but may , should he so prefer, waive his pension and enter any of the homes for invalids, the homes for invalids that may hereafter be established by the Government: *Provided*, That whenever in its judgment the reasons entitling a person to a pension under this Act cease to exist, the Board herein created may, with them approval of the Secretary of the Interior, suspend or withdraw such pension or any part thereof.

SEC. 4. The Secretary of the Interior shall include each year in the estimates of his Department the necessary appropriation for the relief of the invalids of the Philippine revolutions as provided for in this, Act.

SEC. 5. Acts Numbered Twenty-nine hundred and twenty-two and Twenty-seven hundred and fifty-six of the former Philippine Legislature are repealed.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect on January first, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine.

Approved, June 3, 1938.



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