

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3798, June 22, 1963]

**AN ACT GRANTING PEDRO R. BANZON A FRANCHISE TO
CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN AN ICE PLANT IN
BARRIO LIMINANGCONG, MUNICIPALITY OF TAYTAY, PROVINCE
OF PALAWAN, AND TO SELL AND DISTRIBUTE ICE THEREIN.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. Subject to the conditions imposed by this Act, there is granted to Pedro R. Banzon in Barrio Liminangcong, Municipality of Taytay, Province of Palawan, a franchise to construct, operate and maintain an ice plant and to sell and distribute ice therein and to charge and collect a schedule of prices for the ice so furnished, which schedule of prices shall at all times be subject to regulation by the Public Service Commission.

SEC. 2. The grantee shall manufacture and supply ice up to the limit of the capacity of the plant.

SEC. 3. All the apparatus and appurtenances to be used by the grantee shall be modern, safe, and first class in every respect, and the grantee shall, whenever the Congress of the Philippines shall determine that public interest reasonably requires it, change or alter any of said apparatus and appurtenances at grantee's expense.

SEC. 4. If the grantee shall not commence the manufacture of ice and supply cold storage in the said barrio within one year from the approval of this Act, unless prevented by an act of God, or *force majeure*, martial law, riot, civil commotion, usurpation by a military power or any other cause beyond grantee's control, this shall become null and void.

SEC. 5. This franchise is granted subject to visions of Commonwealth Act Numbered One forty-six, as amended, only with respect to the rates, and with the understanding and upon condition that it shall be subject to amendment, alteration or repeal by the Congress of the Philippines when public interest so requires.

SEC. 6. In the event of any competing individual, association of persons, or corporation receiving from the Congress of the Philippines a similar franchise in which there shall be any term or terms more favorable than those herein granted or tending to place the herein grantee at any disadvantage, then such term or terms shall *ipso facto* become a part of the terms hereof and shall operate equally in favor of the grantee as in the case of said competing individual, association of persons or corporation.

SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.