

**[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1131, June 16, 1954 ]**

**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS THREE, SEVEN AND TWELVE OF  
REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE,  
ENTITLED "AN ACT TO REGULATE THE EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN  
AND CHILDREN, TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION  
HEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."**

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

SECTION 1. Sections three, seven and twelve of Republic Act Numbered Six hundred seventy-nine are amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. *Employment of persons below eighteen years of age.*—(a) No woman below eighteen years shall be employed or permitted or suffered to work, with or without compensation, in any bar, night club, dance hall, dancing school for men, escort service, lodging house, massage clinic, hotel, resort or other place of work similar to the foregoing, as hostess, waitress, individual entertainer or escort for men, taxi-dancer, professional dance partner, attendant, or in any other similar capacity.

"(b) No child below eighteen years of age shall be employed or permitted or suffered to work in any pharmacy or laboratory for the preparation of drugs or pharmaceutical or chemical products.

"(c) No person below eighteen years of age shall be employed or permitted or suffered to work in any shop, factory, industrial or commercial establishment or other Place of labor—

"(1) where the work is done in connection with the preparation of, or involves

contamination with, any noxious, poisonous, infectious or explosive substances; or

"(2) where the work, not otherwise specified in this Act, involves serious danger to the

life or health of the employee, as the Secretary of Labor may determine after consultation with representatives of employers and employees or organizations thereof.

"For the purposes of paragraph (2) of subsection (c) of this section, the Secretary of Labor shall from time to time issue orders specifying the occupations which he determines would involve serious danger to the life or health of the employees and shall cause such orders to be published in newspapers of general circulation or by such other means as he deems