

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1068, June 12, 1954]

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION THIRTY-ONE OF COMMONWEALTH ACT NUMBERED ONE, AS AMENDED BY COMMONWEALTH ACT NUMBERED THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE AND COMMONWEALTH ACT NUMBERED FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE.

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

SECTION 1. Section thirty-one of Commonwealth Act Numbered One, as amended by Commonwealth Act Numbered Three hundred eighty-five and Commonwealth Act Numbered Five hundred sixty-nine, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 31. The President is authorized to appoint to the Military Academy annually, subject to such physical and mental examination as he may prescribe, the number of cadets necessary to maintain the Cadet Corps at a strength of not to exceed three hundred and fifty at any one time. Cadets shall be selected from among candidates as hereinafter provided. Candidates for admission must be single and must never have been married, in good physical condition, not less than seventeen nor more than twenty-two years of age on the first of April of the year of admission, and shall be nominated by the member of congress, except as hereinafter provided, each of whom may nominate any number of candidates. The President shall appoint from among those who pass the physical and mental examinations with the highest ratings, the number numbers necessary to fill the existing vacancies: *Provided*, That a quota of three members of the Cadet Corps, hereinafter referred to as Congressional quota shall be allotted to each Congressional District: *Provided, further*, That in case no candidates from a given Congressional District attain the required minimum ratings, the vacancies in the Congressional quota shall be filled by the President from successful candidates at large with the highest ratings: *Provided, further*, That a quota of four members of the Cadet Corps shall be filled by the President directly, without Congressional nomination: *Provided, still further*, That a quota of eight members of the Cadet Corps shall be filled by the President directly, without Congressional nomination, from qualified candidates with the highest ratings who are enlisted men of the Regular Force and who have completed at least one year of active military service and are in active status at the time of admission: *Provided, still further*, That a quota of four members of the Cadet Corps shall be filled by the President directly, without Congressional nomination, from qualified candidates with the highest ratings who are sons of enlisted men who are serving or who have honorably served for a period of at least six months in the Armed Forces of the Republic of the Philippines or of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, of duly recognized guerrilla units or of