

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 871, June 16, 1953]

**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS ONE AND TWO OF REPUBLIC ACT
NUMBERED SIX HUNDRED AND ONE, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS THE EXCHANGE TAX LAW.**

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

SECTION 1. Section one of Republic Act Numbered Six hundred and one, as amended by Republic Act Numbered hundred and fourteen, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Except as herein otherwise provided, there shall be assessed, collected, and paid a special excise tax of seventeen per centum on the value in Philippine peso of foreign exchange sold and/or authorized to be sold by the Central Bank of the Philippines or any of its agents until June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and fifty-four."

SEC. 2. Section two of Republic Act Numbered Six hundred and one, as amended by Republic Act Numbered Eight hundred and fourteen, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 2. The tax provided for in section one of this Act shall not be collected on foreign exchange used for the payment of the cost, transportation and/or other charges incident to importation into the Philippines of rice, flour, canned milk, cattle and beef, canned fish, soya beans, butterfat, chocolate, malt, industrial starch, tapioca, stabilizer and flavors, vitamin concentrate, fertilizers; supplies and equipment purchased directly by or for the Armed Forces of the Philippines and the Civil Aeronautics Administration as certified by the corresponding Department heads; agricultural machineries and implements and their spare parts and accessories, poultry feed; textbooks, reference books, and supplementary readers approved by the Board on Textbooks and/or established public or private educational institutions; newsprint imported by or for publishers for use in the publication of books, pamphlets, magazines and newspapers; book paper, book cloth, chip board and other materials imported for the printing and binding of textbooks, supplementary readers and reference books to be supplied to the Government under contracts with the latter, the quantity thereof to be certified by the Director of Printing; anesthetics, antibiotics, vitamins, hormones, X-Ray films, laboratory reagents, biologicals, dental supplies, and pharmaceutical drugs necessary for compounding medicines; medical and hospital supplies listed in the appendix to this Act, in quantities to be certified by the Director of Hospitals as actually needed by the hospitals applying therefor; drugs and medicines listed in the appendix; and such other drugs and medicines as may be certified by the Secretary of Health