

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 304, October 08, 1940]

CREATING INVESTIGATING COMMITTEES ON VETERANS' PENSION, REQUIRING CITY AND MUNICIPAL TREASURERS TO PERFORM CERTAIN DUTIES IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH PENSION AND ENJOINING ALL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT TO RENDER NECESSARY ASSISTANCE TO APPLICANTS THEREFOR

WHEREAS, Commonwealth Act Numbered Six hundred and five authorizes the payment of pensions to veterans of past Philippine revolutions or wars who are physically or mentally incapacitated to normally pursue their usual occupation, work, or employment, such incapacity not being due to any vice contracted after the approval of the said Act, or who, being over sixty years of age, have no apparent or hidden means of support;

WHEREAS, in order to enable the Board on Pensions for Veterans to expedite or otherwise facilitate its work, it is necessary to create investigating committees that could help the said Board in the investigation of applications for veterans' pension in the provinces and chartered cities, as well as to require all officers and employees of all bra subdivisions, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Philippine Government to assist the Board in its work as the latter may request; and

WHEREAS, it is advisable to forestall difficulties and unnecessary expenses which applicants for veterans' pension might encounter or incur in the preparation and presentation of their applications for pensions;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MANUEL L. QUEZON, President of tin Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law do hereby order that—

1. An Investigating Committee on Veterans' Pension is hereby created in every province and in the cities of Manila and Baguio. For the purpose of this Order, the chartered cities other than Manila and Baguio shall be considered at included in the provinces to which they belonged prior to their organization as chartered cities. In the provinces the Investigating Committee on Veterans' Pension shall be composed of the following:

The Provincial Inspector, P. C., Chairman
The District Health Officer, Member; and
The Provincial Auditor, Member and Secretary.

In the cities of Manila and Baguio, the Investigating Committee shall be composed of the following:

An officer of the Philippine Constabulary holding a rank not lower than that of Major, to be designated by the Chief of the Philippine Constabulary, Chairman;