

## [ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 25, April 25, 1936 ]

### CREATING THE BUDGET COMMISSION

WHEREAS, by virtue of the provisions of Commonwealth Act Numbered Five, a Government Survey Board has been created for the purpose of recommending to the President needed reforms in the present organization of the Government; and

WHEREAS, the said Government Survey Board has recommended the establishment of a Budget Office under the direct responsibility and control of the President;

Now, therefore, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws and in pursuance of the provisions of Commonwealth Act Numbered Five, it is hereby directed that—

1. A Budget Commission, composed of the Director of the Budget, as Chairman and Executive Officer, and the Auditor General and the Director of Civil Service as members, is hereby created and placed under the direction and control of the President.

2. The Budget Office at present operating in the Department of Finance is hereby transferred, together with all its functions, appropriations, personnel, records, equipment, and functions, appropriations, personnel, records, equipment, and other property, to the Budget Commission. The position of Under Secretary at present in charge of the Budget Office in the Department of Finance is also hereby transferred to the Budget Commission there to be known as the director of the Budget.

3. The Budget Commission shall prepare for the President, under such rules as may be prescribed by him, the budget and any proposal of supplementary, special, or deficiency appropriations, and for this purpose it shall have the duty and authority to investigate, revise, examine, assemble, coordinate, and reduce or increase the estimates of the several departments, bureaus, and dependencies of the Government.

4. All the functions of the different departments, bureaus, and dependencies of the Government dealing with their accounting work are hereby transferred, together with their corresponding appropriations, personnel, books, records, equipment, and other property, to the jurisdiction of the Budget Commission. The Auditor General shall make the necessary adjustments of the appropriations affected thereby. The service so transferred shall operate in suitable quarters furnished therefore by the corresponding departments, bureaus, or dependencies and shall be under the charge of accounting officers appointed or designated by the Director of the Budget. It shall be the duty of said accounting officers to manage such service for the corresponding head of Department, or Chief of Bureau or dependency; advise him of the trend of business; render the reports and statements required by him and by the Auditor General; and perform such other duties as the Director of the Budget