[Act No. 2501, February 05, 1915]

AN ACT EXTENDING POPULAR CONTROL IN THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS ORGANIZED UNDER ACT NUMBERED EIGHTY-THREE, KNOWN AS THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT ACT.

By authority of the United States, be it enacted by the Philippine Legislature, that:

SECTION 1. Until otherwise provided by law, provincial treasurers of provinces organized under Act Numbered Eighty-three entitled "The Provincial Government Act," shall cease to be members of provincial boards, and in lieu thereof there shall remain as such members the third members which in future shall be known as "vocales." In lieu of the third members, the Governor-General shall appoint a new member of the provincial board who shall be called a vocal, whose duties shall be similar to those of the present third member, and who shall be chosen, until otherwise provided by law, from among the municipal presidents of the province, who shall at that time be in office. This new provincial officer who shall cease in office upon the expiration of the term of office of the other member unless he shall be removed prior thereto by the Governor-General, may continue to hold the office of municipal president, and shall not receive, as a member of the board, any salary nor additional remuneration, but he shall be entitled to the reimbursement of his actual and necessary traveling expenses, in case that he is not a resident of the provincial capital, payable from provincial funds.

SECTION. 2. It shall be compulsory for the provincial board to obtain the opinion of the provincial treasurer in any a matter implying the levying or collection of taxes or expenditure of funds, but the opinion so obtained in writing shall have no nature other than that of a recommendation and the provincial board shall have full authority to decide the matter in such form as it may deem most just and advisable for the interests of the province.

SECTION. 3. This Act shall take effect on its passage.

Enacted, February 5, 1915.



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