

[**Act No. 3391, December 05, 1927**]

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION SEVEN OF ACT NUMBERED THIRTY-ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-THREE, PROVIDING FOR THE PENSIONING AND RETIREMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS OF THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH SERVICE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Legislature assembled and by the authority of the same:

SECTION 1. Section seven of Act Numbered Thirty-one hundred and seventy-three is hereby amended to read as an follows:

"SEC. 7. *Authority to invest funds.*—With the approval of the Department Secretary, the Board of Pensions and Retirement is hereby authorized to invest from time to time such portions of the pension and retirement fund of the Philippine Health Service as may not be required to pay existing or future authorized obligations, in any or all of the following ways and in no others:

"In interest-bearing deposits, under security approved by the Board, in any bank doing business in the United States or in the Philippine Islands, designated as a Government depository.

"In first liens upon improved, productive, and unencumbered real estates situated in the City of Manila, with a title duly registered under Act Numbered Four hundred and ninety-six, as amended: *Provided*, That no loan shall be made upon the security of real estate in excess of sixty per centum of its assessed value nor for a period in excess of five years, and no more than fifty per centum of the total amount of funds available for investment shall be invested in loans on productive real estate in the City of Manila.

"The Board shall have the right to foreclose any loan in the event of any material depreciation in the value of the security or if the terms of the loan contract are not complied with. It shall also make proper provision for the insurance of all property, subject to damage by fire, which shall be held by it as security. The Board shall also have the right to hold, for a period not exceeding five years, such real estate as may come into its possession on account of money loaned.

"Whenever the actual balance of the pension and retirement fund of the Philippine Health Service shall fall below fifty thousand pesos, the Board shall not grant any loan on real estate.

"The Board is authorized, in making investments pursuant to this section, to fix the terms thereof in such a way as shall preserve the funds from any loss due to depression in the medium of payment, and to take any other precautions which in its judgment are deemed necessary for the adequate conservation of said retirement fund.

"In loans to municipalities, cities, and provinces for the construction or reconstruction of schools, municipal buildings, public markets, water