

[Act No. 2887, February 24, 1920]

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION ONE OF ACT NUMBERED TWENTY-EIGHT HUNDRED AND TWENTY FOUR, ENTITLED "AN ACT EXTENDING TO THE PROVINCES OF MINDORO, PALAWAN, AND BATANES, WITH CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS, THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTERS SIXTY-THREE AND SIXTY-FOUR OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN, MAKING THE OFFICE OF PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR ELECTIVE IN PALAWAN AND BATANES, ABOLISHING TOWNSHIPS AND RANCHERTAIS IN PROVINCES ORGANIZED UNDER THE GENERAL PROVINCIAL LAW, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," PROVIDING WHO SHALL PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR IN CASE OF THE TEMPORARY ABSENCE OR INCAPACITY OF SAID OFFICER IN ANY OF SAID PROVINCES, AND SEPARATING THE OFFICES OF PROVINCIAL TREASURER AND SECRETARY OF THE PROVINCIAL BOARD IN MINDORO.

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 one of Act Numbered Twenty-eight hundred and twenty-four is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. The provisions of chapters sixty-three and sixty-four of the Administrative Code of nineteen hundred and seventeen are hereby extended and applied to the Provinces of Mindoro, Palawan, and Batanes: *Provided*, That the office of provincial governor shall be elective in Mindoro as well as in Palawan and Batanes, and the provincial governors and third members of the three provinces mentioned shall be elected by the qualified voters of the province, in accordance with the provisions of the general Election Law: *And provided, further*, That in case of the temporary absence or incapacity of the provincial governor in any of said provinces, the duties of the provincial governor may be performed by the third member of the provincial board, the provincial secretary-treasurer or the provincial treasurer, as any of these may have been previously authorized or delegated therefor by the provincial governor, and upon being so delegated, the third member of the provincial board may, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, be paid a compensation or extra salary in a total sum not to exceed the salary authorized by law for the office of provincial governor: *And provided, further*, That the offices of provincial treasurer and secretary of the provincial board shall be separate in Mindoro, but the duties and powers of the secretary of the provincial board and of the provincial treasurer shall be those imposed and conferred by section twenty-six hundred and six and article five, chapter sixty-three of the Administrative Code of nineteen hundred and seventeen, respectively: *And provided, finally*, That the presidents of the municipalities of said provinces shall be elective and the councilors shall be elected by the qualified voters of the municipalities instead of the electors of each barrio."