

[ Act No. 2583., February 04, 1916 ]

**AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS.**

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

SECTION 1. The following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated, out of any funds in the Insular Treasury from the sale of bonds for public works or permanent improvements, and in default thereof, out of any funds in the Insular Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for public works and permanent improvements as mentioned hereunder, and for

PHILIPPINE HEALTH SERVICE.

(a) For the extension of permanent improvements on the property of the "Gota de Leche" P4,000.00

(b) For the purchase of the land and buildings situated thereon and at present used as a leper station at Cebu 15,000.00

*Provided,* nevertheless, That in consideration of said sum the Government shall have the right to take over the buildings and land mentioned in so far as such right refers to the title of the present possessors, who shall renounce expressly to the Government all claims of every sort, including unpaid rentals during the last fifteen years and payments made by said possessors to the Bureau of Lands.

(c) For the construction of a dispensary building for the Southern Islands Hospital, Cebu 5,000.00

(d) For the construction of a hospital building at Cuyo, Palawan 9,000.00

PHILIPPINE GENERAL HOSPITAL.

(e) For the construction of an annex to the Dispensary of the Philippine General Hospital 25,000.00

BUREAU OF FORESTRY.

(f) For the completion of the administrative building of the Forest School at Los Banos and the purchase of necessary equipment 10,000.00

(g) For the construction of quarters for the students of the School of Forestry at Los Banos 8,000.00

BUREAU OF PUBLIC WORKS.

(h) For the construction, improvement, and, where necessary, for the maintenance of roads and bridges in such provinces as shall accept the provisions of Act Numbered Sixteen hundred and fifty-two, which by a resolution of the provincial

board shall guarantee by continuing annual appropriations the establishment of such a system of maintenance as may be necessary in the opinion of the Director of Public Works, on all first-class roads at present constructed or which in future may be constructed, and are so declared by the Director of Public Works, including the construction, improvement, and maintenance of roads and bridges in the Provinces of Mindoro, Palawan and Batanes organized under the Special Provincial Government Act, and in the provinces organized under Act Numbered Twenty-four hundred and eight, to be apportioned in proportion to the number of inhabitants of each province

1,000,000.00

For the construction, improvement, and, where necessary, the maintenance of roads and bridges in the provinces accepting the provisions of Act Numbered Sixteen hundred and fifty-two, and that by resolution of the provincial board shall guarantee by continuing annual appropriation the establishment of such a system of maintenance as may be necessary in the judgment of the Director of Public Works on all first-class roads now constructed or which may be constructed in the future and declared as such by the Director of Public Works and in the Provinces of Mindoro, Palawan and Batanes, organized under the Special Provincial Government Act, and in the provinces organized under Act Numbered Twenty-four hundred and eight, to be apportioned in the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce and Police

400,000.00

*Provided,* That such amounts as may be necessary shall be allotted to those provinces having already received their regular allotment under the provisions of Act Numbered Twenty-five hundred and thirty-four to cover the excess of their apportionment under subsection (h) of this Act.

For the construction, improvement and, where necessary, for the maintenance of interprovincial roads and bridges between the provinces accepting the provisions of Act Numbered Sixteen hundred and fifty-two, and that by resolutions of the provincial boards concerned shall guarantee by continuing annual appropriations the establishment of such a system of maintenance as may be necessary in the judgment of the Director of Public Works on all first-class roads now constructed or which may be constructed in the future and declared as such by the Director of Public Works, and in the provinces organized under Act Numbered . Twenty-four hundred and eight, to be apportioned in the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce and Police

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*Provided,* That the appropriations made by paragraphs (h), (i) and (j) of this section may be made available with the approval of the Secretary of Commerce and Police, for the construction, reconstruction, repair and maintenance of second and third-class roads, trails and temporary bridges wherever they may be most useful and proper for the public interest.

(k) For the construction, reconstruction, improvement, investigations and surveys of ports, wharves, piers, retaining walls, jetties, dams and dredgings in the different districts of the Archipelago, including the purchase of necessary equipment, the continuation of wharves and other improvements projected by former laws, construction and maintenance of roads across Insular lands adjacent to wharves and of roads leading to such lands, to be apportioned in the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce and Police

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