

[ Act No. 2232, February 08, 1913 ]

**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS ONE AND SIX OF ACT NUMBERED TWENTY-ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX ENTITLED "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CONSOLIDATION OF MUNICIPALITIES INTO SANITARY DIVISIONS AND THE REORGANIZATION OF THE MUNICIPAL BOARDS OF HEALTH CREATED BY ACT NUMBERED THREE HUNDRED AND EIGHT; DEFINING THEIR POWERS AND DUTIES, AND PROVIDING FOR EACH PROVINCE A SPECIAL FUND TO BE KNOWN AS 'HEALTH FUND,' FOR THIS AND OTHER PURPOSES," BY LIMITING THE NUMBER OF MUNICIPALITIES WHICH MAY BE INCLUDED IN A SANITARY DIVISION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

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

SECTION 1. Sections one and six of Act Numbered Twenty-one hundred and fifty-six, entitled "An Act authorizing the consolidation of municipalities into sanitary divisions and the reorganization of the municipal boards of health created by Act Numbered Three hundred and eight; defining their powers and duties, and providing for each province a special fund to be known as 'health fund,' for this and other purposes," are hereby amended, so that said sections shall read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Provincial boards are hereby authorized, for the purposes of health administration, to divide their provinces into sanitary divisions, which may comprise one or more municipalities, but not more than four, and these divisions shall become effective in a province whenever their organization has been agreed to by at least a majority of the municipal councils concerned: *Provided*, That to dissolve such sanitary division, the vote of a majority of the municipalities concerned shall be necessary. Any group of municipalities joined to constitute a sanitary division may have a divisional board of health organized in accordance with the provisions of Act Numbered Three hundred and eight, relative to the organization of municipal boards of health.

"There shall be for each division a president who shall be appointed by the Director of Health from among the persons proposed by the municipal councils concerned and recommended by the provincial board. The powers, duties, and remuneration of such president shall be fixed in the manner hereinafter provided. The president of a sanitary division shall be a duly qualified physician and shall fulfill his duties under the immediate supervision of the district health officer: *Provided*, That in emergency conditions, of the existence of which the Director of Health shall judge, persons with qualifications satisfying the Director of Health may be appointed to act temporarily as presidents of municipal sanitary divisions."

"SEC. 6. Each municipality shall set aside each year an amount not less than five per centum nor more than ten per centum from its general funds and each provincial board shall set aside a like amount from its general funds, which amount, added to that appropriated by the