[Act No. 2084, December 14, 1911]

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SUGAR-TESTING LABORATORY IN THE CITY OF MANILA, AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF A SUGAR CHEMIST AND FIXING HIS POWERS AND DUTIES.

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

- SECTION 1. A sugar-testing laboratory is hereby established in the standard samples. Bureau of Science at Manila, which shall be in charge of a sugar chemist who shall be an employee of the Bureau of Science. This sugar chemist shall fix and establish, on or before the fifteenth day of December of each year, standard samples of classes of sugar as they are marketed at Manila, which shall govern as hereinafter provided during the twelve months immediately following the fifteenth of December.
- SEC. 2. The sugar chemist who shall be appointed under this Sugar chemist. Act shall be one of the chemists regularly employed in the Bureau of Science and shall receive compensation in addition to his regular salary of not over two thousand four hundred, nor less than one thousand, two hundred pesos per annum, the provisions of existing law to the contrary notwithstanding.
- SEC. 3. In fixing and establishing these samples, the sugar chemist chemist are shall take into account the degrees of polarization, the color, the hygrometric state, the granulation and the crystallization of the samples of each of the several classes of sugar fixed and established by the merchants of Manila, and accepted in the markets where Philippine sugar is sold, so far as there are known to him. Merchants may send portions of the classified samples of sugar which they receive from markets in which Philippine sugar is sold to aid him in correctly fixing and establishing standard samples, but failure to receive such samples from merchants shall not operate to prevent the sugar chemist from fixing and establishing standard samples of the different classes of sugar.
- SEC. 4. It shall further be the duty of the sugar chemist correctly to classify all samples of sugar that may be delivered to the sugar-testing laboratory for classification by any person. In cases of dispute between contracting parties with respect to the classification of any sugar, any one of them may send to the sugar-testing laboratory a sample of the said sugar for its classification. The result of the classification made by the sugar chemist shall be set forth in a certified report which shall be transmitted in each case to the person sending the sample. A suitable portion of each sample of sugar, the classification of which shall have been thus fixed, shall be deposited in a glass container which shall be closed with sealing wax, on which shall be stamped the seal of the Bureau of Science, and shall be properly marked so that it can be identified, and shall be transmitted to the person sending the sample.
- SEC. 5. In every ease of dispute between contracting parties as to the class of sugar, a classification made by the sugar chemist, as provided in section four of this Act, shall determine the classification of the sugar in question, except when any one of the parties shall impugn the classification made by the sugar chemist and shall prove that it is incorrect.