

[Act No. 1975, April 18, 1910]

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CLASSES FOR THE INSTRUCTION AND TRAINING OF MALE AND FEMALE NURSES UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH.

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

SECTION 1. The Director of Health is hereby authorized, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, to establish classes of male and of female Filipino students to receive instruction and training in nursing and hospital duties, said instruction and training to be given in the hospitals and sanitariums of the Bureau of Health and such other appropriate places as the Director of Health may designate and the Secretary of the Interior approve.

In order to be admitted to any of the classes provided for in this section, it shall be a requisite condition:

- (a) To have completed the intermediate course in the public schools of the Philippine Islands and received a certificate therefrom; or
- (b) To be able to give evidence by examination or in any other manner satisfactory to the Director of Health that the applicant for admission has received preliminary training of equal or greater extent.

SEC. 2. The Director of Health, so far as consistent with the selections. interest of the public service, shall select from amongst those persons jointly recommended by district health officers and division superintendents of schools, or in default thereof by provincial boards, students for the aforesaid classes from provinces organized under "The Provincial Government Act" and from the Provinces of Palawan, Mindoro, and Batanes, and the number of students selected shall not exceed thirty each year of each sex, nor one hundred in all of each sex: *Provided*, That in the admission of said students, the highest average obtained in the examinations referred to in subsections (a) and (b) of the next preceding section, shall be taken into account.

The Director of Health may admit private students under such conditions as may be approved by the Secretary of the Interior: *Provided, however*, That they shall receive no compensation or allowances other than subsistence, quarters, and laundry. Students who were appointed to the course in nursing under the provisions a of Acts Numbered Eighteen hundred and seventy-three or Nineteen hundred and thirty-one or those who have been admitted to an analogous training class in the Bureau of Health are hereby declared to have been duly appointed under this Act: *And provided further*, That the Director of Education may, up to July first, nineteen hundred and ten, subject to the approval of the Secretary of Public Instruction, issue the usual certificates or diplomas to those students whose experience, conduct, and services entitling them to same, shall have pursued their studies or rendered services prior to July first, nineteen hundred and ten, for two complete terms or years or more, and a certificate or diploma so issued shall have the same value as if it had been issued by the Director of Health under the provisions of section three of this Act.