[Act No. 1602, March 13, 1907]

AN ACT AMENDING1 ACT NUMBERED SEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY, ENTITLED "AN ACT PROVIDING' FOR THE EXAMINATION AND LICENSING OF APPLICANTS FOR THE POSITIONS OF MASTER, MATE, PATRON, AND ENGINEER OF SEAGOING VESSELS IN THE PHILIPPINE COASTWISE TRADE, AND PRESCRIBING THE NUMBER OF ENGINEERS TO BE EMPLOYED BY SUCH VESSELS."

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

SECTION 1. Section one of Act Numbered Seven hundred and eighty, entitled "An Act providing for the examination and licensing of applicants for the positions of master, mate, patron, and engineer of seagoing vessels in the Philippine coastwise trade, and prescribing the number of engineers to be employed by such vessels." is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. A board is hereby created, to consist of the Insular Collector of Customs, the supervising inspector of hulls and boilers. and assistant, inspector of hulls, one person holding an unexpired license as master in the Philippine coastwise trade, and one other competent person, whose duty it shall be to examine and certify for licenses all, applicants for licenses as watch officers and engineers upon vessels of the Philippine Islands. The Insular Collector of Customs shall be president of the board, ex-officio, and any three members thereof shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. This board shall be known and referred in as the "Board on Philippine Marine Examinations." The Insular Collector of Customs is authorized to designate the persons who shall constitute the board, from among the classes above "numerated, and to detail from the clerical force provided for secretary. The Bureau of Customs a competent person to serve as secretary of the board without additional compensation: Provided, That nothing in this section shall be construed to make such secretary a member of the board for any other purpose: And provided further, That the expenses of the said board shall be paid from the regular appropriation for the Bureau of Customs."

SEC. 2. The public good requiring the speedy enactment of this bill, the passage of the same is hereby expedited in accordance with section two of "An Act prescribing the order of procedure by the Commission in the enactment of laws," passed September twenty-sixth, nineteen hundred.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect on its passage.

Enacted, March 13,1907.

