

[Act No. 1760, October 10, 1907]

AN ACT TO PREVENT THE INTRODUCTION INTO THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS OF DANGEROUS COMMUNICABLE ANIMAL DISEASES, TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF SUCH DISEASES WITHIN THE ISLANDS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. For the purposes of this Act domestic animals are hereby deemed as horses, mules, asses, cattle, carabaos, hogs, sheep, goats, dogs, deer, and circus animals or those intended to be used for show purposes.

SEC. 2. For the purposes of this Act a dangerous communicable animal disease is hereby defined as glanders or farcy, surra, rinderpest, hemorrhagic septic-emia, cholera, foot-and-mouth disease, or any other acute communicable disease which may cause a mortality of over live per centum in the period of one month.

SEC. 3. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation knowingly to ship or otherwise bring into the Philippine Islands any animal suffering from, infected with or dead of any dangerous communicable disease, or any effects pertaining to such animal which are liable to introduce such disease into the Philippine Islands: *Provided*, That any such animal or effects may be permitted by the Director of Agriculture to enter the Islands under such conditions as to quarantine, cremation, or other disposal as he may direct, or which shall be deemed by him sufficient to prevent the spread of any such disease.

SEC. 4. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation knowingly to ship, drive, or otherwise take or transport from one island, province, municipality, township, or settlement to another any domestic animal suffering from any dangerous communicable disease or to expose such animal, either alive or dead, on any public road, street, or highway where it may come in contact with other domestic animals.

SEC. 5. Whenever the Secretary of the Interior shall declare that a dangerous communicable animal disease prevails in any island, province, municipality, township, or settlement, and that there is danger of spreading such disease by shipping, driving, or otherwise transporting or taking out of such island, province, municipality, township, or settlement any class of domestic animals, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to ship, drive, or otherwise remove the kind of animals so specified from such locality except when accompanied by a certificate issued by authority of the Director of Agriculture stating the number and kind of animals authorized to be shipped, driven, taken, or transported, their destination, the manner in which they are authorized to be shipped, driven, taken, or transported, and their brands and distinguishing marks. Such certificate shall also state that the animals in question have been inspected by a duly authorized agent of the Director of Agriculture and found free from dangerous communicable animal diseases and shall give the date of such inspection.

SEC. 6. The Director of Agriculture is hereby authorized—