[Act No. 1433, January 04, 1906]

AN ACT AMENDING ACT NUMBERED EIGHTY-TWO, ENTITLED "A GENERAL ACT FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS." BY PROVIDING A METHOD OF INCREASING OR REDUCING THE NUMBER OF COUNCILORS WHEN THE CLASS OF A MUNICIPALITY IS CHANGED.

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

SECTION 1. Section four of Act Numbered Eighty-two, entitled "A general Act for the organization of municipal governments in the Philippine Islands," is hereby amended by adding thereto new subdivisions, which shall read as follows:

- "(e) In case the class of a municipality shall be raised the additional councilors appropriate to its new class shall be obtained by electing at the regular election next following the change one-half of the total number of councilors prescribed for municipalities of that class and at each succeeding election an equal number. During the interim between the change and the seating of the councilors first elected thereafter the council shall consist of the former number of councilors. After the seating of said first elected councilors and until the seating of those next elected it shall consist of a number midway between the former number and the number prescribed for the new class.
- "(f) In case a municipality is reduced in class all of the councilors in office shall be allowed to serve out their full terms, except that in case of death, resignation, or removal of any such councilor the vacancy thereby caused shall not lie filled unless such vacancy reduces the number of councilors below that prescribed for the new class, in which case the vacancy shall be filled as hereinafter in this Act provided. At the election next following the change of class the number of councilors elected shall be equal to one-half of the number prescribed for the new class, and at each succeeding election an equal number shall be elected."
- 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, January 4, 1906.

