

[ Act No. 1306, February 28, 1905 ]

**AN ACT ANNEXING THE PROVINCE OF ABRA TO THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR, MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN OUTSTANDING LIABILITIES OF THE PROVINCE OF ABRA. AND PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CIVIL GOVERNMENTS IN THE SETTLEMENTS OF NON-CHRISTIAN TRIBES IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR.**

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

SECTION 1. The territory comprised in the Province of Abra, as organized under Act Numbered Two hundred and six and enlarged by Act Numbered Two hundred and ninety-three declaring the rancheria of Tubo to be a part of the Province of Abra, is hereby annexed to and included in the Province of Ilocos Sur, as organized by Act Numbered Two hundred and five, and shall be known as the subprovince of Abra.

SEC. 2. There shall be a lieutenant-governor for the subprovince of Abra who shall be appointed by the Governor-General, with the advice and consent of the Philippine Commission, and who shall be a member of the provincial board of Ilocos Sur and shall reside and have his office at the municipality of Bangued. The lieutenant-governor of Abra shall receive compensation at the rate of two thousand four hundred pesos per annum, payable monthly. Subject to the supervision of the governor of the Province of Ilocos Sur, the lieutenant-governor of Abra shall, with respect to that part of said subprovince now organized under the Provincial Government Act and the Municipal Code, exercise the powers conferred and perform the duties imposed upon the governor of the Province of Ilocos Sur by Act Numbered Two hundred and five, and its amendments.

SEC. 3. The inhabitants of the territory hereby annexed to and made a part of the Province of Ilocos Sur, except members of non-Christian tribes, shall enjoy the same rights and privileges as if said province had been originally incorporated in the Province of Ilocos Sur, and the municipal officers of the municipalities included in the territory so annexed shall, subject to the provisions of section two of this Act, have the same relations to the provincial officers of the Province of Ilocos Sur as are prescribed for the municipal officers of the municipalities of said province by the Provincial Government Act and by Act Numbered Two hundred and five, and the amendments thereof.

SEC. 4. The government heretofore established for the non-Christian residents of the Province of Abra by Acts Numbered Four hundred and forty-five and Five hundred and forty-six shall continue in effect and is hereby extended to the non-Christian settlements of the Province of Ilocos Sur: *Provided*, That with respect to the non-Christian tribes of the subprovince of Abra and of Ilocos Sur the lieutenant-governor of the subprovince of Abra shall exercise the powers conferred and perform the duties imposed upon the provincial governor of Abra by Act Numbered Four hundred and forty-five, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of civil governments in the settlements of the non-Christian tribes of the Province of Abra:" *Provided further*, That the powers and duties prescribed, by Acts Numbered Four hundred and forty-five, and Five hundred and forty-six for the provincial secretary-treasurer, the provincial supervisor, the provincial fiscal, and the provincial board of