[Act No. 586, January 08, 1903]

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A RAILROAD ENGINEER AND AN ASSISTANT TO MAKE A REPORT (FOR USE IN THE UNITED STATES) UPON FEASIBLE RAILROAD LINES IN THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, AND TO ENCOURAGE THE INVESTMENT OF CAPITAL.

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

SECTION 1. The Civil Governor shall appoint, by and with the consent, of the Commission, a chief civil engineer and an assistant civil engineer having experience in locating railroads in tropical countries, whose duties it shall be to visit the islands of the Philippine Archipelago and to examine the same with a view of determining upon the practicable and useful routes for the construction of railroads, make preliminary reconnoissances and surveys of the same, and make full report of their examinations, surveys, and conclusions to the Civil Governor, which report shall be published in the United States for the purpose of encouraging the investment of capital in railroad construction in said Islands. Such engineer and his assistant when appointed shall be under the general supervisory control of the Consulting Engineer to the Commission.

- SEC. 2. The chief engineer appointed under this Act shall receive a compensation at the rate of three hundred dollars per month and the assistant engineer a compensation at the rate of two hundred dollars per month, in money of the United States. Each of the said engineers shall receive transportation and actual traveling expenses not exceeding five dollars per day, in money of the United States.
- SEC. 3. The Civil Governor, whenever in his opinion the work for which the engineers hereunder to be appointed has been completed, shall notify them, and thereafter their employment by the Government shall cease.
- SEC. 4. 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. 5. This Act shall take effect on its passage.

Enacted, January 8, 1903.

