

[Act No. 308, December 02, 1901]

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MUNICIPAL BOARDS OF HEALTH AND FIXING THEIR POWERS AND DUTIES.

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

SECTION 1. There may be a municipal board of health in each of the several municipalities of the Philippine Islands, which board shall be organized at such time as the provincial board of health for the province in which the municipality is situated may direct, and the provincial board approve.

SEC. 2. Each municipal board of health shall consist of—

(a) A president, who shall be a duly qualified physician, or an undergraduate of medicine;

(b) A member, who shall be chosen by a majority vote of the municipal council;

(c) A male school-teacher of the municipality, who shall be appointed by the division superintendent of public instruction for the division in which the municipality is situated;

(d) The municipal secretary, ex officio;

(e) A pharmacist, if there be one resident within the municipality, who shall be appointed an honorary member by the municipal president;

(f) The senior medical officer of the Army or Navy, if there be any such on duty in the municipality, who, with the authority of the proper military or naval commander, shall act as an honorary and consulting member of the board. The municipal secretary, the pharmacist member, and the military or naval member of the board shall not be entitled to vote.

SEC. 3. The president of the municipal board of health shall be appointed by the Commissioner of Public Health, upon the recommendation of the provincial board of health of the province in which the municipality is situated. His salary shall be fixed by the municipal council, and shall not be less than the salary of the municipal secretary nor greater than the salary of the municipal president. The other members of the board shall serve without compensation.

SEC. 4. The municipal secretary shall be the secretary of the board. He shall keep its records, compile its statistics, and shall render such other clerical assistance in connection with the legitimate work of the board as it may direct.

SEC. 5. The municipal board of health shall hold regular meetings on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, and special meetings at the call of the president, or of a majority of the members. Subject to the supervision and control of the provincial board of health, it shall have general supervision over the health and sanitary condition of the municipality and of its several barrios. It shall cause to be