

[Commonwealth Act No. 446, June 08, 1939]

AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE THIRTIETH, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FORTY.

Be it enacted by the National Assembly of the Philippines:

SECTION 1. Title of Act.—This Act shall be known as the "General Appropriation Act for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and forty."

SEC. 2. Appropriation of funds.—The following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any funds in the Philippine Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the operation of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and forty, unless otherwise stated:

A.—NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

I.—Salaries and Wages

ELECTED OFFICERS

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| 1. One Speaker of the National Assembly | P | 16,000.00 |
| 2. Ninety-seven members of the National Assembly at P5.000 | | 485,000.00 |

x x x (Other items omitted) x x x

II.—Sundry Expenses

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| 1. Traveling expenses of Members | P | 20,000.00 |
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| 2. Traveling expenses of personnel, including those of the Constitutional Committees and Members of the National Assembly, when on authorized official travel, any provision of existing law to the contrary notwithstanding | | 10,000.00 |
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xxx (Other items omitted) x x x

V.—SUMMARY

Total for salaries and wages	P1,493,500.00
Total for sundry expenses	189,550.00
Total for furniture and equipment	52,000.00
Total for special purpose	50,000.00
Total amount available for the National Assembly	P1,785,050.00

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

1. Any unexpended balance of the funds appropriated for the National

Assembly may be used to cover a deficit in any item of the appropriation for the said Assembly, including prior years' expenses.

2. Any Member of the National Assembly may assign his yearly salary provided in this Act or any part thereof to any banking or loan institution doing business in the Philippines, including the compensation to his family in the event of death, and upon such assignment being registered with the disbursing officer of the National Assembly, such officer shall issue warrants from time to time as the salary or death compensation falls due, directly in favor of the creditor banking or loan institution.

3. The Secretary of the National Assembly shall receive the compensation herein fixed, the provision of any existing law to the contrary notwithstanding.

4. Any part of the appropriation for supplementary force may be expended for the payment of salaries of employees who may serve during any period in the National Assembly.

5. The appropriations in items 3, 5, and 9 under "Sundry Expenses" and that for "Purchase of furniture and equipment" may be expended respectively, for postage and fees of correspondence and telegrams of the Members, including freight, express, and delivery service; for supplies and materials; for printing and binding reports, documents, and publications; and for equipment that may be used by them, the total amount not to exceed four hundred pesos per annum for each Member.

B.—OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

I.—Salaries and Wages

1. The President of the Philippines	P	30,000.00
Total	P	30,000.00

(1) EXECUTIVE OFFICE

1. One Secretary to the President, with the rank of Secretary of Department	P	12,000.00
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2. One Assistant Secretary to the President		9,000.00
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(2) BUREAU OF CIVIL SERVICE

1. One Commissioner of Civil Service, with the rank of Undersecretary of Department	P	9,000.00
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(3) BUDGET COMMISSION

Office of the Commissioner

1. One Commissioner of the Budget..	P	12,000.00
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xxx (Other items omitted) xxx

(4) INSTITUTE OF NATIONAL LANGUAGE

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| 1. One Director | P | 6,000.00 |
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(5) PHILIPPINE SUGAR ADMINISTRATION

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| 1. One Philippine Sugar Administrator | P | 12,000.00 |
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II.—Sundry Expenses

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| 1. Traveling expenses of personnel.... | P | 110,000.00 |
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III. Furniture and Equipment

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| 1. For the purchase of furniture and equipment,
including one automobile | P | 23,950.00 |
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xxx (Other items omitted) xxx

IV. Special and General Purposes

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| 1. For traveling expenses of the President with
personnel in his office for official trips to and
from the United States or other countries,
including those incurred during the first
semester of 1939 | P | 100,000.00 |
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| 2. For a fund to be expended in the discretion of
the President | | 30,000.00 |
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(6) RESIDENT COMMISSIONER TO THE
UNITED STATES
Salaries and Wages

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|------------------------------------|---|-----------|
| 1. One Resident Commissioner | P | 20,000.00 |
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V.—SUMMARY

Total for salaries and wages	P	1,165,990.00
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Total for sundry expenses		402,270.00
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Total for furniture and equipment		23,950.00
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Total for special and general purposes		1,193,920.00
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Total for the Office of the Resident		176,720.00
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Commissioner to the United States

Less — forced savings to be apportioned by the Secretary to the President.... (148,440.00).

Total amount available for the Office of the President P 2,814,410.00

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

1. The appropriations for the Office of the President of the Philippines provided in this Act may be used to cover expenses incurred during the first semester of 1939.

2. Any deficit in the appropriations for the Office of the President of the Philippines may be covered from any unexpended balance of any other appropriation provided in this Act for the Executive Departments, the total amount to be used for covering such deficits during the year not to exceed P250,000.

(7) PHILIPPINE ARMY

x x x (Items omitted) x x x

Summary

Purpose I.—Personnel	P 7,026,094.00
Purpose II.—Maintenance of Personnel	2,909,772.00
Purpose III.—Transportation	702,544.00
Purpose IV.—Armament, Equipment, and Supplies	4,660,690.00
Purpose V.—Construction and Maintenance	1,000,000.00
Purpose VI.—Miscellaneous Expenses	<u>150,000.00</u>
Total	P 16,449,100.00

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

x x x

C.—OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT

1. The Vice-President of the Philippines	P <u>15,000.00</u>
Total for the Vice-President.....	P 15,000.00

D. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR I.—Salaries and Wages

(1) OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

1. One Secretary of Department ...	P 12,000.00
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| 2. One Undersecretary of Department | 9,000.00 |
| 3. One Commissioner for Mindanao and Sulu, with the rank of Undersecretary of Department, with furnished quarters whenever a government-owned building is available | 9,000.00 |
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(2) PHILIPPINE CONSTABULARY
Staff and Line Officers

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| 1. One Brigadier-General and Chief of the Philippine Constabulary | P | 6,600.00 |
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Summary

Total for salaries and wages	P	3,342,400.00
Total for sundry expenses		1,022,000.00
Total for furniture and equipment		120,250.00
Less forced savings		(224,230.00)
Less forced savings		(3,250,000.00)

Total for the Philippine Constabulary	P	<u>1,010,420.00</u>
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(3) NATIONAL INFORMATION OFFICE

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V.—SUMMARY

Total for salaries and wages	P	215,220.00
Total for sundry expenses		65,110.00
Total for furniture and equipment		3,410.00
Total for special purposes		22,840.00
Less forced savings		(15,200.00)
Total for the Philippine Constabulary		1,010,420.00
Total for the National Information Office.....		<u>96,030.00</u>

Total amount available for the Department of the Interior....	P	<u>1,397,830.00</u>
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E. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

I.—Salaries and Wages

(1) OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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| 1. One Secretary of Department ... | P | 12,000.00 |
| 2. One Underseretary of Department | | 9,000.00 |
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(a) Division of Purchase and Supply

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