

[Commonwealth Act No. 374, August 23, 1938]

AN ACT TO AMEND PARAGRAPH (4), GENERAL PROVISIONS, SECTION SEVEN OF COMMONWEALTH ACT NUMBERED TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY-SIX, ENTITLED "AN ACT PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF THE BUDGET AND REGULATING THE EXPENDITURE OF AUTHORIZED APPROPRIATIONS."

.Be it enacted by the National Assembly of the Philippines:

SECTION 1. Paragraph (4) General Provisions, section seven of Commonwealth Act Numbered Two hundred and forty-six, entitled "An Act prescribing the form of the Budget and regulating the expenditure of authorized appropriations," is amended so as to read as follows:

*"(4) Allotment of lump-sum appropriation and special and other funds; plantilla of personnel.—*The provisions of this Act or any other law to the contrary notwithstanding, expenditures from lump-sum appropriations authorized for any executive department in any annual General Appropriation Act or other Act and from all special, bond, trust, and other funds shall be made in accordance with a budget to be approved by the President, which shall include the plantilla of personnel, showing the number of each kind of positions, the designations, the salary proposed for the fiscal year for which the appropriation is intended and the salary actually received. This provision shall be applicable to all revolving funds, receipts which are automatically made available for expenditure for certain specific purposes, aids and donations for carrying out certain activities, or deposits made to cover the cost of special services to be rendered to private parties. Unless otherwise expressly provided by law, when any Board, Head of Department, Chief of Bureau or Office, or any other official, is authorized to appropriate, allot, distribute or spend any lump-sum appropriation or special, bond, trust, and other funds, such authority shall be subject to the provisions of this paragraph.

"Except when stipulated otherwise as a condition for the expenditure of an aid or donation, and in the case of officers and employees receiving higher rates at the time of the approval of this Act, no officer or employee whose salary, not being fixed by law, is paid from any lump-sum appropriation or from any special, bond, trust, revolving, or other fund, shall receive a compensation of more than twenty pesos per day or more than five hundred pesos per month. This limitation shall not apply to the appropriations for expert and technical personnel' under the Office of the President and the various executive departments.

"In the case of any lump-sum appropriation for salaries and wages of temporary laborers and employees provided in any General Appropriation Act or other Act, the expenditure of such appropriation shall be limited to the employment of laborers paid by the month, by the day, or by the hour, and of emergency employees other than laborers, who, except those authorized for the National Assembly, the office of the President, the Bureau of Health, the craftsmen, helpers, and other employees of the