

REPUBLIC ACTS

(REPUBLIC ACT NO. 847) AN ACT TRANSFERRING THE MEDICAL AND DENTAL SERVICES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. The Medical and Dental Services in the Public Schools which is now functioning as a division of the Bureau of Health, since January first, nineteen hundred and fifty-one, is hereby transferred or returned back to the Department of Education as a division of that Department where it originally belonged from nineteen hundred and forty-six to nineteen hundred and fifty: *Provided*, That the supervision of hygiene and sanitation shall be exercised by the Department of Health.

Sec. 2. All laws, acts, executive orders, or parts thereof, inconsistent with provision of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
Enacted on May 23, 1953, without the Executive approval.

(REPUBLIC ACT NO. 837) AN ACT REORGANIZING THE GENERAL AUDITING OFFICE

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. The Auditor General is hereby authorized to reorganize with the approval of the President of the Philippines, the General Auditing Office within six months from the date of approval of this Act.

Sec. 2. The reorganization herein authorized shall be done within the limits of the appropriation of the General Auditing Office as provided in the General Appropriation Act in force at the time of such reorganization. The Auditor General, is however, authorized to use savings from said appropriation to carry out the provisions this Act: *Provided*, That the Deputy Auditor General shall receive an annual salary not exceeding twelve thousand pesos and each head of department and his assistant, not exceeding seven thousand two hundred pesos and six thousand pesos, respectively.

Sec. 3. Effective upon the approval of this Act, the salaries of provincial and city auditors shall be paid in the same manner as they are paid now from provincial and city funds, as the case may be, at rates not less than those fixed by law for provincial and city treasurers in the respective places where they are appointed.

Sec. 4. The reorganization to be made by the Auditor General pursuant to the provisions of this Act shall be reported, through the President of the Philippines, to the Congress not later than thirty days from the date it becomes effective and shall be valid and subsisting until Congress shall provide otherwise in its next regular session in connection with the annual appropriation law.

Sec. 5. All laws or parts of laws which are or may be in conflict with any of the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
Approved, March 20, 1953.

(REPUBLIC ACT NO. 945) AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTY-NINE OF THE REVISED ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, AS AMENDED.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

Section 1. Section one thousand six hundred and fifty-nine of the Revised Administrative Code, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 1659. *Chief Officials of Office of the Solicitor General.*
The Office of the solicitor General shall have one chief to be known as the Solicitor General whose salary shall be twelve thousand pesos *per annum* and shall have the rank of an Undersecretary of a Department. He shall be assisted by one First Assistant Solicitor General whose salary shall be ten thousand pesos *per annum*.

When the Solicitor General is unable perform his duties or in case of a vacancy in the office, the First Assistant Solicitor General shall temporarily perform the functions of said officer, or, in his absence, the next Assistant Solicitor General who is senior in the service. There shall also be four Assistant Solicitors General each of whom shall receive a salary of seven thousand eight hundred pesos *per annum*, and twenty-four Solicitors whose salaries shall be as follows:

“(a) Four Solicitors, six thousand six hundred pesos *per annum* each;

“(b) Four Solicitors, six thousand pesos *per annum* each;

“(c) Five Solicitors, five thousand four hundred pesos *per annum* each;

“(d) Five Solicitors, five thousand one hundred pesos *per annum* each;

“(e) Six Solicitors, four thousand eight hundred pesos *per annum* each.

“The qualifications for appointment to the position of Solicitor General, the First Assistant Solicitor General and the four Assistant Solicitors General shall be the same as those prescribed for Judges of Courts of First Instance and those of Solicitors shall be the same as those prescribed for provincial fiscals.”

Sec. 2. To carry out the purposes of this Act and in addition to such sum as may have been provided for under current appropriation there is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated the amount of twenty-two thousand nine hundred pesos for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

Sec. 3. This Act shall take effect on July first, nineteen hundred and fifty-three.

Approved, June 20, 1953.

(REPUBLIC ACT NO. 912) AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE USE, UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, OF PHILIPPINE MADE MATERIALS OR PRODUCTS IN GOVERNMENT PROJECTS OR PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION, WHETHER DONE DIRECTLY BY THE GOVERNMENT OR AWARDED THRU CONTRACTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. In construction or repair work undertaken by the Government, whether done directly or thru contract awards, Philippine made materials and products, whenever available, practicable and usable, and will serve the purpose as equally well as foreign made products or materials, shall be used in said construction or repair work, upon the proper certification of the availability, practicability, usability and durability of said materials or products by the Director of the Bureau of Public Works and/or his assistants.

SEC. 2. For the purpose of carrying into effect the purposes of this Act, the Director of Public Works shall prepare or cause to be prepared, from time to time, a list of building and construction materials and products made in the Philippines that are available, durable, usable and practicable for construction and building purposes.

SEC. 3. No contract may be awarded under the provisions of this Act unless the contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of this Act, and a contract already awarded may be rescinded for unjustified failure to so comply.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Director of Public Works and/or his assistants, including the district engineers, to see to it that the requirements of this Act are faithfully complied with by the persons concerned, and failure on their part to do so shall subject them to dismissal from the government service or other disciplinary action.

SEC. 5. The Director of Public Works, subject to the approval of the Secretary of Public Works and Communications, is hereby empowered to promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this Act.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved, June 20, 1953.