

AN ACT TO CREATE AN ANTI-DUMMY BOARD, TO PRESCRIBE ITS DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1130, June 16, 1954

Read online (full-text search, related cases, audio case brief): <https://batas.org/library/2503eb3f9f20/>

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby created in the Department of Justice a board which shall be designated and known as the Anti-Dummy Board and which shall be vested with and shall exercise the powers and duties hereinafter specified. The Anti-Dummy Board shall be composed of the Secretary of Justice who shall be ex officio Chairman of the Board, and four other members to be appointed by the President of the Philippines with the consent of the Commission on Appointments.

No person shall be appointed a member of the Anti-Dummy Board unless he is a natural-born citizen of the Philippines who has continuously resided in the Philippines not less than ten years before his appointment and he must be a citizen of good standing.

The tenure of office of members of the Board, with the exception of the Chairman, and the grounds of their separation shall be the same as those provided for in the case of Judges of Courts of First Instance.

SEC. 2. The main purpose of the Anti-Dummy Board shall be to insure the implementation of all the provisions of the Constitution, nationalization laws, and other legal provisions which require Philippine citizenship or citizenship of any other specific country for the exercise or enjoyment of ,a right, franchise or privilege, property or business, and further, to coordinate, as far as practicable all government agencies charged with the enforcement of the said provisions of the Constitution and laws and, in particular, Commonwealth Act Numbered One hundred and eight, as amended, commonly known as the Anti-Dummy Law, and to make and publish a list of all associations and corporations having in their names, or under their control a right, franchise, privilege, property or business, the exercise or enjoyment of which is expressly reserved by the said Constitution or laws to citizens of the Philippines, or of the United States, or to corporations or associations at least fifty-one per cent of the capital of which is owned by such citizens, with a view to eliminating or preventing entirely, the evasion or circumvention of the said Constitutional provisions and laws.

SEC. 3. The Anti-Dummy Board shall have the following duties:

- To investigate violations and prosecute all violators the laws mentioned in section two of this Act, hereinafter called dummies.
- To furnish professional services to informers who wish to avail themselves of section three-A of Commonwealth Act Numbered One hundred and eight, as inserted therein by Republic Act Numbered One hundred and thirty-four.
- To enter as amicus curiae in all court cases may have arisen from dummy cases.
- To devise ways and means for the carrying out of an educational propaganda against dummies.

- To devise ways and means for the carrying out of all nationalization legislation.
- To organize local subcommittees in the chartered cities and municipalities and a provincial chapter in every capital of the provinces to help the Board in its campaigns against dummies.
- To issue rules and regulations for the government of the Board and that of the subcommittees and chapters to be established under the provisions hereof; and
- To perform such other duties as may enable the Board to carry out the purposes for which it has been created.

SEC. 4. In order to carry out its duties effectively, the Board shall be empowered to issue by itself or through any of its authorized investigators, subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum, to designate any of its officers or investigators to administer oaths in the investigation of dummy cases, and to examine the books and accounts of any person, association or corporation involved in said cases.

SEC. 5. The Anti-Dummy Board shall have its main office in the City of Manila and shall meet at such time as it may designate. The presence of three members of the Board shall constitute a quorum, for the transaction of any of its business. The Board shall distribute its work among its members by lot: Provided, That the Chairman shall exercise supervision over the other members of the Board.

With the exception of the Chairman of the Board, each member of the Board shall receive a salary of four thousand eight hundred pesos per annum: Provided, That if a member of the Board is a government official, he shall not receive extra compensation as such member.

SEC. 6. There shall be a secretary-treasurer of the Anti-Dummy Board, who shall be a member of the Philippine Bar and who shall be appointed by the Board. The said officer shall receive an annual compensation of six thousand pesos. The duties of the secretary-treasurer shall be to keep full and correct minutes of all the proceedings of the Board; to pay out of the funds in his charge all properly approved accounts and, in general, to manage the funds entrusted him by and in behalf of the Board as authorized by law and regulations; and to perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board.

The Anti-Dummy Board may appoint attorneys, investigators and other employees as it may deem necessary and fix their duties and salaries: Provided, That investigators appointed by the Board shall be lawyers, and/or certified public accountants, the proportion of the number of lawyers and accountants to be at the discretion of the Board. Each investigator shall receive a salary of at least three thousand six hundred pesos per annum.

The President may, upon recommendation of the Board, detail one or more assistant provincial fiscals or assistants attorneys under the Department of Justice, or any other employees in the National, provincial, city or municipal governments, on special duty with the Board. Employees so detailed shall perform such duty as is required under such detail, and the time so employed shall count as part of their regular official service.

SEC. 7. The permanent officials and employees of the Anti-Dummy Board and those detailed under special duty therewith, members of the Philippine Constabulary, members of the city, municipal and municipal district police, agents of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, agents of the Bureau of Immigration and such other officers and employees of the government as may be designated by the Chairman of the Board, are hereby made deputies of the Anti-Dummy Board, with full authority to enforce the Provisions of sections three and four of this Act and the Nationalization Laws, and to arrest offenders against the same.

SEC. 8. There is appropriated, out of any funds in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum two hundred thousand pesos or so much thereof as may necessary, to be placed at the disposal of the Board, to paragraph four, General Provisions, section seven of Commonwealth Act Numbered Two hundred and forty-six,

as amended, for the payment of the salaries of the necessary personnel, for the purchase of necessary equipment and supplies, and for sundry expenses to be incurred to carry into effect the provisions of this Act during the fiscal year nineteen hundred and fifty-five. Thereafter, the necessary sum for the operation of the said Board shall be included in the General Appropriation Act.

SEC. 9. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1954.

Approved, June 16, 1954.

ABOUT BATAS.ORG

Study smarter at BATAS.org

The Philippine bar review and law-school companion built around how your brain actually remembers.

The complete Philippine law library - free for everyone.

More than 100,000 Supreme Court decisions, Republic Acts, and executive issuances - full-text searchable, browsable by category and year, and always free. No paywall, no login. This PDF came from it.

Audio case-brief lectures.

Any decision becomes a podcast-style lecture - facts, issues, ruling, and doctrine - with read-along highlighting and a hands-free presentation mode. Study while commuting, working out, or resting your eyes.

Bar review built on the science of memory.

Complete, sequenced courses for all eight bar subjects, narrated like podcasts and reinforced with retrieval practice and spaced review - the study techniques with the strongest evidence behind them.

The full law-school curriculum.

One subscription unlocks the entire J.D. curriculum - every subject, every lesson, with your progress tracked down to the paragraph so you can pick up exactly where you left off, on any device.

Mock exams that tell you where you stand.

Timed multiple-choice exams graded instantly, with per-subject score breakdowns and focus suggestions that point you at your weakest topics first.

A study planner that keeps you on pace.

Set your schedule and BATAS tells you every day whether you are on track for bar day - and exactly which lesson to take next.

Start free at <https://batas.org>

The law library is free forever - and your first lesson is one click away.

The text of this document is an official public record and remains in the public domain. Formatting, presentation, and compilation © 2026 batas.org.

Downloaded free from the batas.org Law Library. Share it freely - the library is free for every law student, bar reviewee, and practitioner.