

AN ACT INCREASING THE MAXIMUM LIMIT OF SALARIES OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS BY FURTHER AMENDING SECTION TWENTY-ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FOUR OF THE REVISED ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, AND FOR ...

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1346, June 17, 1955

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

SECTION 1. Section twenty-one hundred and eighty-four of the Revised Administrative Code, as amended by Republic Act Numbered Five hundred and fifty-four, is further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 2184. Maximum limit of salaries.—Except as otherwise specially provided in this section, the annual salaries of municipal officers shall not exceed the amounts herein below fixed:

"In municipalities of the first class-A which have obtained during the next preceding two fiscal years an average total annual revenue of four hundred thousand pesos or more: for the mayor, five thousand four hundred pesos; for the municipal secretary, three thousand three hundred Pesos; and for the municipal treasurer, four thousand five hundred pesos, of which two-thirds shall be payable out of municipal funds, in his capacity as municipal treasurer and one-third thereof out of provincial funds, in his capacity as deputy of the provincial treasurer.

"In other municipalities of the First Class-A: For the mayor, four thousand five hundred pesos; for the municipal secretary, two thousand seven hundred pesos; and for the municipal treasurer, three thousand nine hundred and sixty pesos, of which two-thirds shall be payable out of municipal funds, in his capacity as municipal treasurer, and one-third thereof out of provincial funds, in his capacity as deputy of the provincial treasurer.

"In municipalities of the First Class-B: For the mayor four thousand three hundred pesos; for the municipal secretary, two thousand four hundred pesos; and for the municipal treasurer, three thousand seven hundred and twenty pesos, of which two-thirds shall be payable out of municipal funds, in his capacity as municipal treasurer, and one-third thereof out of provincial funds, in his capacity as deputy of the provincial treasurer.

"In municipalities of the first class: For the mayor, three thousand seven hundred and twenty pesos; for the municipal secretary two thousand one hundred and sixty pesos; and for the municipal treasurer, three thousand one hundred and twenty pesos, of which two-thirds shall be payable out of municipal funds, in his capacity as municipal treasurer, and one-third thereof out of provincial funds, in his capacity as deputy of the provincial treasurer.

"In municipalities of the second class: For the mayor, three thousand one hundred and twenty pesos; for the municipal secretary, one thousand eight hundred pesos; and for the municipal treasurer, two thousand seven hundred and sixty pesos, of which two-thirds shall be payable out of municipal funds, in his capacity as municipal treasurer, and one-third thereof out of provincial funds, in his capacity as deputy of the provincial treasurer.

"In municipalities of the third class: For the mayor, two thousand seven hundred and sixty pesos; for the

municipal secretary, one thousand five hundred and sixty pesos; and for the municipal treasurer, two thousand four hundred pesos, of which two-thirds shall be payable out of municipal funds, in his capacity as municipal treasurer, and one-third thereof out of provincial funds, in his capacity as deputy of the provincial treasurer.

"In municipalities of the fourth class: For the mayor, two thousand one hundred and sixty pesos; for the municipal secretary, one thousand four hundred and forty pesos; and for the municipal treasurer, one thousand nine hundred and twenty pesos, of which two-thirds shall be payable out of municipal funds, in his capacity as municipal treasurer, and one-third thereof out of provincial funds, in his capacity as deputy of the provincial treasurer.

"In municipalities of the fifth class: For the mayor, one thousand nine hundred and twenty pesos; for the municipal secretary, one thousand four hundred and forty pesos; and for the municipal treasurer, one thousand eight hundred pesos, of which two-thirds shall be payable out of municipal funds, in his capacity as municipal treasurer, and one-third thereof out of provincial funds, in his capacity as deputy of the provincial treasurer.

"With the approval of the Secretary of Finance, the annual salaries of municipal officers of a municipality which is the capital of a province or a subprovince may be fixed at rates higher than those authorized for the class to which the municipality belongs: Provided, That the salaries so fixed shall not exceed the maximum rates authorized for the corresponding officers in the next higher scale of salaries herein established unless no higher scale is provided herein, in which case, said salaries of officers of provincial and subprovincial capitals may be increased, with the approval of the Secretary of Finance by not more than three hundred and sixty pesos per annum: Provided, further, That any municipal officer whose actual salary at the time of the approval of this Act is higher than the maximum salary rate herein above fixed shall not suffer any decrease in pay.

"From the decisions of the provincial board with regard to salaries and per diems of municipal officers, the municipal officer or council concerned or any member of the provincial board having expressed his disconformity when the resolution objected to was passed, may appeal, and such appeal shall, within ten days after its receipt by the provincial board, be forwarded to the Secretary of Finance, whose decision shall be final.

"Provided, That the provincial board concerned may, in its discretion, authorize as salary of the municipal treasurer in his capacity as deputy of the provincial treasurer an amount more than the maximum rate herein fixed as payable from provincial funds, provided the corresponding maximum salary rate fixed in this Act is not exceeded.

SEC. 2. Provincial boards and municipal councils are hereby authorized to provide in their budgets the necessary amounts as may be needed to adjust the salaries of municipal mayors, municipal secretaries, and municipal treasurers in conformity with the scale of salaries provided for in this Act. Any provision of existing laws, rules and regulations to the contrary notwithstanding, said officers shall be entitled to receive the full amount of the appropriations for their salaries which may be provided and approved in the provincial and municipal budgets in accordance with the provisions of section one hereof: Provided, That, in the case of the municipal treasurer, the maximum rate of compensation authorized for his civil service eligibility is not exceeded.

SEC. 3. The rates of salaries fixed in this Act notwithstanding, no increase in salaries shall be authorized until after the municipalities concerned shall have fully implemented the Minimum Wage Law.

SEC. 4. Subsection (e) of section twenty-one hundred and six of the same Code and any other provisions of law, rule or regulation inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are repealed or modified.

SEC. 5. The provisions of this Act shall also be applicable to the municipalities in specially-organized provinces.

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

Approved, June 17, 1955.

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