

AN ACT GRANTING THE MANILA SUBURBAN RAILWAYS COMPANY AN EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN WHICH TO COMPLETE THAT PORTION OF ITS LINE EASTWARD OF FORT WILLIAM MCKINLEY, GRANTING THE RIGHT...

Act No. 1589, February 01, 1907

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Whereas by Act Numbered Fourteen hundred and forty-six of the Philippine Commission, enacted January thirtieth, nineteen hundred and six, a franchise was granted to Charles M. Swift to construct, maintain, and operate an electric railway and to construct, maintain, and operate an electric light, heat, and power system from a point in the city of Manila in an easterly direction to the town of Pasig in the Province of Rizal: and

Whereas in accordance with section fourteen of the said Act the said Charles M. Swift did, on July twentieth, nineteen hundred and six, execute an assignment of the said franchise to the Manila Suburban Railways Company: and

Whereas the said Manila Suburban Railways Company has made application for certain amendments and additions to the said franchise: Therefore.

By authority of the United States, be it enacted by the Philippine Commission, that:

SECTION 1. An extension of time until January thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight, is hereby granted to the Manila Suburban Railways Company to complete and put in operation that portion of its line east of Fort William McKinley to the town of Pasig.

SEC 2. The Manila Suburban Railways Company is hereby granted the right to build a line from some connection with its present line, east of the barrio of San Pedro Macati, in a southerly direction to the town of Taguig and the Laguna de Bay, along a definitely located line, after surveys made, map of which located line shall be submitted to the Governor-General and approved by him before any work of construction is commenced. The said line shall be built and operated subject to all the terms and conditions of its present franchise: Provided, That the fares charged upon—fares. the additional portion of the Manila Suburban Railways Company's lines granted under this Act shall be subject to the limitations prescribed in section eighteen of Act Numbered Fourteen hundred and forty-six, in the same way as if this line had been constructed and made a part of the original franchise.

SEC. 3. The Manila Suburban Railways Company shall have the right to transport freight, express packages, and baggage over its lines, the said right to continue during the life of its franchise or any extensions thereof. The right is hereby given to the grantee to fix, charge, and collect just and reasonable compensation for the carrying of freight, express packages, and baggage. Such right, however, for the purpose of insuring just and reasonable rates, shall at all times be subject to effective regulation to be exercised, in the first instance, by the Governor-General, and upon appeal, by the Secretary of War of the United States: Provided, That the Governor-General shall have the power and authority to make reasonable regulations governing the transportation of freight, express packages, and baggage over the lines of the grantee, and for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of the original franchise granted by Act Numbered Fourteen hundred and forty-six, and sub-serving the rights of the public

thereunder.

SEC. 4. The grantee is hereby given the right, and is hereby obligated, to carry the mails at reasonable rates and under reasonable regulations, to be fixed, as above specified, for the carnage of freight, express packages, and baggage.

SEC. 5. The public good requiring the speedy enactment of this bill, the passage of the same is hereby expedited in accordance with section two of "An Act, prescribing the order of procedure by the Commission in the enactment of laws," passed September twenty-sixth, nineteen hundred.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect on its passage.

Enacted, February 1, 1907.

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