

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF FIFTY THOUSAND PESOS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT, EQUIPMENT, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION OF SEED-FARMS FOR RICE, CORN, SUGAR CANE AND OTHER STAPLE CROP...

Act No. 3443, November 28, 1928

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Legislature assembled and by the authority of the same:

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated out of the funds in the Insular Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of fifty thousand pesos to be used in the establishment, maintenance, equipment, and operation of seed-farms for the purpose of raising selected and pedigreed seeds—rice, corn, sugar cane and other staple crops—for distribution to the farmers throughout the Philippine Islands, in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 2. The money appropriated by this Act shall be disbursed by the Director of Agriculture, with the approval of the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources, for salaries and wages of the necessary personnel; for the purchase of implements, work animals, seed materials; for the purchase or rent of the necessary land; for the construction, maintenance, and repair of buildings, seed-bodegas, fences and other necessary structures; and for such other expenditures as may be deemed necessary for the proper carrying out of the purposes of this Act: Provided, That any unexpended balance of the fund herein appropriated at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert to the Insular Treasury but shall be used for the purposes for which it was appropriated: Provided, further, That any income that may be realized from the sale of seed materials at nominal cost shall become a part of the revolving fund which shall be used and expended exclusively for the purposes of, and in the same manner as, the original appropriation.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint, upon the recommendation of the Director of Agriculture, the necessary personnel and laborers needed for the proper and effective carrying out of the purposes of this Act.

SEC. 4. The Director of Agriculture shall have the immediate control, direction and supervision over the said seed-farms and shall, with the approval of the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources, make and prescribe all the necessary rules and regulations governing the operation and maintenance of such seed-farms, and the manner of distributing the seeds produced therein.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect on its approval.

Approved, November 28, 1928.

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