

AN ACT REPEALING COMMONWEALTH ACT NUMBERED FIVE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE, ENTITLED “AN ACT ABOLISHING THE EXISTING MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS AND THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ROMBLON, ...

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 38, October 01, 1946

Read online (full-text search, related cases, audio case brief): <https://batas.org/library/ad74ade0647a/>

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

SECTION 1. Commonwealth Act Number Five hundred and eighty-one, otherwise known as the Charter of the four special municipalities of the Province of Romblon, is repealed. Except as hereinafter provided, the regular provincial government of Romblon and the regular municipalities of the Province of Romblon existing prior to the taking effect of the said Act are restored. The capital of the Province of Romblon shall be the municipality of Romblon.

SEC. 2. A new municipality to be known as the municipality of Santa Fe which shall comprise the barrios of Agcogon, Guimbarayan, Lanas and Santa Fe, formerly comprised within the municipality of Looc prior to the enactment of Commonwealth Act Numbered Five hundred eighty-one, is hereby created.

SEC. 3. Except as herein otherwise provided, the Revised Administrative Code and other laws applicable to regularly organized provinces and municipalities and to the officers and employees therein shall apply to the Province of Romblon and its municipalities as restored or created, as the case may be, under this Act and to the officers and employees therein.

SEC. 4. Pending the election of provincial and municipal officials, the offices of elective officers of the Province of Romblon and its municipalities shall be filled by appointment by the President of the Philippines with the consent of the Commission of Appointments of the Congress of the Philippines.

SEC. 5. The funds, properties, debts and obligations of the four special municipalities under Commonwealth Act Numbered Five hundred and eighty-one shall be equitably distributed and apportioned among the Province of Romblon and its municipalities in such proportion as may be approved by the President of the Philippines upon recommendation of the Auditor General. The custody and administration of all properties formerly belonging to the Province of Romblon prior to the taking effect of Commonwealth Act Numbered Five hundred and eighty-one shall be transferred to the provincial government of Romblon. Property formerly belonging to the Province of Romblon prior to the taking effect of Commonwealth Act Numbered Five hundred and eighty-one and transferred to the National Government in accordance with the said Act shall be returned to the provincial government of Romblon for such consideration as may be approved by the President of the Philippines upon the recommendation of the Auditor General.

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

Approved, October 1, 1946.

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.