

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE GRADUATES OF THE PHILIPPINE MEDICAL SCHOOL WHO RECEIVE THEREFROM THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF MEDICINE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY IN THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS ...

Act No. 1632, April 25, 1907

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

Section 1. Any graduate of the Philippine Medical School, established by Act Numbered Fourteen hundred and fifteen, entitled "An Act establishing a medical school and defining the manner in which it shall be controlled and conducted," who shall receive therefrom the degree of Doctor of Medicine shall, upon presenting his diploma from said school to the Board of Medical Examiners for the Philippine Islands, be entitled to receive from said Board, and said Board shall issue to him, without examination, a certificate of registration, and upon duly recording the same in the office of the register of deeds in the province or provinces within which he may practice, or in the city of Manila, as the case may be, he shall be entitled to practice medicine and surgery in the Philippine Islands.

SEC. 2. Persons practicing medicine or surgery in the Philippine Islands under the terms of section one of this Act shall, in all other respects, be subject to the provisions and liable to the penalties provided in Act Numbered Three hundred and ten.

SEC. 3. There is hereby established for each province of the Philippine Islands one free scholarship in the Philippine Medical School, to be awarded under the following terms and conditions:

(a) There shall be held in each province, on June first, nineteen hundred and seven, under the general supervision of the Director of Education and the immediate control of the division superintendent of schools, a competitive examination, to be prescribed by the Secretary of Public Instruction, which shall be at least equal to the examinations required for graduation from the high schools in the Philippine Islands, and the competitor in each province obtaining the highest general percentage above seventy-live per centum in each subject shall be awarded the Medical School scholarship corresponding to the province.

(b) The successful competitors shall be certified by the Director of Education to the board of control of the Philippine Medical School, and upon the approval of that board shall be duly matriculated in said school.

(c) Successful competitors shall thereupon become Government students expenses; and students, and shall be allowed the expenses of their transportation to Manila, their board, subsistence, and maintenance while in Manila attending the Philippine Medical School, not exceeding five hundred pesos per annum each, and their transportation returning to their provinces upon their receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine: Provided, That any student failing to pass the prescribed examinations for entrance into the next higher year of the Medical School, or who shall violate any rule or regulation of said school resulting in expulsion, shall be denied the further privileges of .scholarship and shall be forthwith returned to his province at Government expense.

(d) Each scholarship student who shall graduate from the Medical School with the degree of Doctor of Medicine, unless he shall accept appointment under the Government of the Philippine Islands or one of its

branches, shall return to his province and practice medicine and surgery therein for a period at least equal to the time of his scholarship tuition, unless permission to do otherwise be granted by the Secretary of the Interior. Failure to comply with the terms of this section shall be deemed sufficient grounds for revocation of his license to practice medicine and surgery in the Philippine Islands in the same manner as are other offenses described by section eight of Act Numbered Three hundred and ten.

(e) No tuition, laboratory, or other fees shall be charged scholarship students in the Philippine Medical School.

SEC. 4. The sum of fifteen thousand peso's, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated, out of any funds in the Insular Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for carrying out the purposes of the preceding section of this Act. Said sum shall be expended by the Bureau of Education under the same general conditions as are the moneys appropriated for the education and maintenance of Philippine Government students in the United States.

SEC. 5. All Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with the provision of this Act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 6. 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. 7. This Act shall take effect on its passage.

Enacted, April 25, 1907.

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