

AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE PHILIPPINE TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES, TO ESTABLISH A SCHOOL OF MIDWIFERY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Act No. 2467, February 05, 1915

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

SECTION 1. The organization known as the Philippine Training School for Nurses shall hereafter be known as the Philippine General Hospital School of Nursing and, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior and the Director of Health, its administration shall be under Administration. the supervision and direction of the director of the Philippine General Hospital, with the concurrence of the Board of Regents of the University of the Philippines, as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 2. The school shall have a superintendent who shall be a registered nurse of experience to be appointed by the director of the hospital, with the approval of the Director of Health and the Secretary of the Interior, and who shall be in immediate charge of all the activities of the school, except in so far as instruction in midwifery is Faculty. The faculty shall consist of the superintendent and such instructors and tutors as the progress of instruction may make necessary, who shall be appointed by the director of the hospital with the approval of the Director of Health upon the recommendation of the superintendent: Provided, That the instruction in midwifery shall be in charge of the obstetrical department of the College of Medicine and Surgery of the University of the Philippines.

SEC. 3. The requirements for admission, courses of study, places of study and instruction, period of probation, length of time required for graduation, granting of diplomas upon satisfactory completion of courses of instruction, rules of discipline, announcements and catalogues, proportion of male and female students, uniforms, subsistence and rates of compensation therefor, quarters and laundry, and all other regulations incident to the proper conduct of a school of nursing not in conflict with law, shall be as prescribed by the director of the hospital, upon recommendation of the faculty and with the approval of the Director of Health: Provided, That the annual announcement and catalogue shall be approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 4. The Board of Regents of the University of the Philippines shall, upon application by the Director of Health, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, have authority to confer the degree of graduate nurse, or of graduate nurse and midwife, or of graduate midwife, or such other degree as they may establish upon students whose qualifications for entrance and graduation have been approved by the university council and who have finished courses of instruction approved by the Board of Regents.

SEC. 5. Students admitted to this school shall receive subsistence and quarters in addition to such other allowances and compensation as are provided for by law: Provided, That the director of the hospital may, with the approval of the Director of Health, withhold such portion of a student's compensation not to exceed one-sixth thereof and deposit same in the Postal Savings Bank to the credit of the student, from which amount deductions may be made for the purpose of purchasing such books and student's equipment as may be necessary, and any

unexpended balance shall be paid to the student upon resignation or honorable separation from the school.

SEC. 6. This Act contemplates that the advantages of this school shall extend proportionately to all parts of the Archipelago, and to this end students shall be selected, according to procedure to be established by the Secretary of the Interior, with the concurrence of the Board of Regents of the University of the Philippines, in so far as possible, from every province of the Philippine Islands, whether organized under general or special laws: Provided, That the number of students admitted from the special government provinces during any semester may not exceed fifteen per centum of the total number.

SEC. 7. The Secretary of the Interior shall provide that students admitted under the terms of this Act shall, prior to matriculation, sign a contract agreeing to serve the Government for a period of at least one year after graduation, at an equitable compensation which shall be fixed by the Secretary of the Interior, with the concurrence of the Board of Regents of the University of the Philippines.

SEC. 8. Acts Numbered Nineteen hundred and seventy-five, Nineteen hundred and ninety-six and Twenty-one hundred and sixty-one, and all other Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 9. This Act shall take effect on its passage.

Enacted, February 5, 1915.

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