

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

REPUBLIC ACT No. 776

AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD AND THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS ADMINISTRATION TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF CIVIL AERONAUTICS IN THE PHILIPPINES AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS THEREFOR¹

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

CHAPTER I.—TITLE AND PURPOSE

SECTION I.—Title of Act.—The title of this Act shall be “The Civil Aeronautics Act of the Philippines.”

SEC. 2. Purpose and scope of act.—The general purpose of this Act is the reorganization of the Civil Aeronautics Board and the Civil Aeronautics Administration, defining their powers and duties and making certain adjustment of funds and personnel in connection therewith; and the regulation of civil aeronautics.

The provisions of this Act and the rules and regulations issued pursuant thereto shall not apply except with respect to aid traffic rules, to military aircraft and airmen of the Philippines and of foreign countries and to foreign civil and public aircraft and airmen other than those covered by Chapters III and IV hereof.

CHAPTER II.—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 3. Words and phrases defined.—The following definitions shall control in the application and construction of this Act, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (a) “Administrator” means the Civil Aeronautics Administrator.
- (b) “Aerodrome” means a defined area on land or water, including any buildings, installations and equipment intended to be used either wholly or in part for the arrival, departure and movement of aircraft.
- (c) “Aeronautics” means the science and art of flight.
- (d) “Aeronautical telecommunication” means and includes any telegraph or telephone communication signs, signals, writings, images and sounds of any nature, by wire, radio or other systems or processes of signalling, used in the aeronautical service.
- (e) “Aeronautical telecommunication station” means any station operated to provide telecommunications for aeronautical purposes.
- (f) “Air carrier” means a person who undertakes, whether directly or indirectly, or by a lease or any other arrangements, to engage in air transportation or air commerce.

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