

Commerce—Monopolies; Accused Persons; “Nolo Contendere”

(H.B. 1339)

[No. 61]

[Approved May 31, 1972]

AN ACT

To permit that any person accused by the Commonwealth of prohibited acts or of attempt to commit prohibited acts under sections 2, 4, 7(f) and 8 of Act No. 77 of June 25, 1964, as amended, which is the monopolistic act of Puerto Rico, may present allegations of *nolo contendere* in the Superior Court of Puerto Rico.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Puerto Rico:

Section 1.—

Any person accused by the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico of prohibited acts or of attempt to commit prohibited acts under sections 2, 4, 7(f) and 8 of Act No. 77 of June 25, 1964, as amended,¹⁵ which is the Monopolistic Act of Puerto Rico, may present allegations of *nolo contendere* in the Superior Court of Puerto Rico. Said allegation shall not be used as prima facie evidence in actions of triple damages based on subsections A and B of section 12 of this act.¹⁶ These actions shall be governed in all its other aspects by the Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Section 2.—This act shall take effect immediately after its approval.

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Police—Motor Vehicles; Vessels; Disposal

(H.B. 1402)

[No. 62]

[Approved May 31, 1972]

AN ACT

To amend section 1 of Act No. 88 of May 31, 1967.

¹⁵ 10 L.P.R.A. §§ 258, 260, 263(f), 264.

¹⁶ 10 L.P.R.A. § 268.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Puerto Rico:

Section 1.—Section 1 of Act No. 88 of May 31, 1967,¹⁷ is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1.—

The Police Superintendent of Puerto Rico shall deliver to the Secretary of the Treasury, as herein provided below, all such personal properties which the Police may have taken possession of as a result of their official functions, except firearms, motor vehicles, vessels and stolen, robbed or swindled property, connected with criminal actions pending in courts or that property which by reason of the investigation of the commission of an offense is being retained, or those personal properties whose disposal has already been provided, through another legislation. The latter may dispose of these personal properties by distributing them among the different departments, agencies and political subdivisions of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico that may need them, or by selling them at public auction and shall cover the product thereof into the general funds or by confiscating all such properties which may not be of use or cannot be sold at a public auction.

The Police Superintendent shall deliver the motor vehicles and vessels to the Director of the Transportation Office who shall dispose of same in accordance with the law and regulations which regulate the operations of said office. In the final disposal of the vessels, the Director shall give preference to the Puerto Rico Ports Authority.

The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to adopt those rules and regulations as may be necessary and convenient for the proper carrying out of such specific functions entrusted to him by this act, from the moment in which the personal property referred to in this act is delivered to the Superintendent.

Section 2.—This act shall take effect immediately after its approval.

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¹⁷ 25 L.P.R.A. § 222.