LAW OF PUERTO RICO

[No. 13]
[Approved, July 1, 1947]

AN ACT

TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE COMMISSIONER OF THE INTERIOR OF PUERTO RICO TO ACQUIRE IN ANY MANNER, INCLUDING PURCHASE OR CONDEMNATION, IN THE NAME OF THE PEOPLE OF PUERTO RICO, HISTORIC MONUMENTS AND LANDMARKS CONSIDERED AS SUCH OR SO DECLARED TO BE BY THE BOARD FOR THE PRESERVATION OF HISTORICAL RELICS CREATED BY ACT NO. 27, OF APRIL 23, 1930; TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE COMMISSIONER OF THE INTERIOR TO RECONSTRUCT, PRESERVE, AND MAINTAIN SAID HISTORIC MONUMENTS AND LANDMARKS; TO DECLARE THE HISTORIC MONUMENTS AND LANDMARKS OF PUERTO RICO TO BE OF PUBLIC UTILITY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY; TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF FIFTY THOUSAND (50,000) DOLLARS, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, FOR THE EFFECTUATION OF THE PURPOSES HEREOF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Puerto Rico:

Section 1.—All historic monuments and landmarks of Puerto Rico known as such, and such other landmarks and monuments as may be considered and declared to be historic monuments and landmarks by the "Board for the Preservation of Historical Relics", created by Act No. 27, of April 23, 1930, are hereby declared to be of public utility and for the benefit of the community.

Section 2.—The Commissioner of the Interior is hereby authorized and directed to acquire in any legal manner, including purchase or sale or condemnation, in the name of The People of Puerto Rico, any historic monument or landmark of Puerto Rico as well as the use, usufruct, lease, or any other right therein. In case of condemnation, the Commissioner of the Interior shall have the power to represent The People of Puerto Rico in the proceedings, and, the previous declaration of public utility by the Executive Council provided for in the General Condemnation Act, shall not be required.

Section 3.—The Commissioner of the Interior is hereby directed to reconstruct, restore, preserve, and attend to the maintenance of any historic monument or landmark belonging to The People of Puerto Rico or which may in future be acquired by same.

Section 4.—The sum of fifty thousand (50,000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from any funds in the Insular Treasury not otherwise appropriated, which sum shall be placed at the disposal of the Commissioner of the Interior for the effectuation of the purposes hereof. Any other funds in the possession of the Insular Park Service or any other Government Agency or organization created for the same purposes, shall,

LEYES DE PUERTO RICO

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PARA AUTORIZAR Y ORDENAR AL COMISIONADO DEL INTERIOR DE PUERTO RICO A ADQUIRIR EN CUALQUIER FORMA Y POR COMpra O EXPROPIACIón FORZOSA A NOMBRE DE EL PUEBLO DE PUERTO RICO AQUELLOS MONUMENTOS Y LUGARES HISTÓRICOS CONSIDERADOS COMO TALES O QUE FUEREN ASI DECLARADOS POR LA JUNTA CONSERVADORA DE VALORES HISTÓRICOS CREADA EN VIRTUD DE LA LEY NUMERO 27 DE 23 DE ABRIL DE 1930; PARA AUTORIZAR Y ORDENAR AL COMISIONADO DEL INTERIOR LA RECONSTRUCCION, CONSERVACION Y MANTENIMIENTO DE DICHO MONUMENTOS Y LUGARES HISTÓRICOS; PARA DECLARAR LOS MONUMENTOS Y LUGARES HISTÓRICOS DE PUERTO RICO DE UTILIDAD PUBLICA PARA BENEFICIO DE LA COMUNIDAD; PARA ASIGNAR LA SUMA DE $50,000 O LA PARTE QUE FUERE NECESARIA PARA DAR CUMPLIMIENTO A LOS FINES DE ESTA LEY, Y PARA OTROS FINES.

Decrétase por la Asamblea Legislativa de Puerto Rico:

Artículo 1.—Por la presente se declara de utilidad pública y para beneficio de la comunidad todos los monumentos y lugares históricos de Puerto Rico conocidos como tales, y aquellos otros lugares y monumentos que fueren considerados y declarados como monumentos y lugares históricos por la "Junta Conservadora de Valores Históricos" creada por la Ley Núm. 27 de 23 de abril de 1930.

Artículo 2.—Se autoriza y ordena al Comisionado del Interior de Puerto Rico a adquirir en cualquier forma legal y mediante compraventa o expropiación forzosa a nombre de El Pueblo de Puerto Rico cualquier monumento o lugar histórico de Puerto Rico, así como el uso, usufructo, arrendamiento o cualquier otro derecho sobre los mismos. En caso de expropiación, el Comisionado del Interior tendrá facultad para representar a El Pueblo de Puerto Rico en los procedimientos, y no será necesaria la previa declaración de utilidad pública por el Consejo Ejecutivo provista en la Ley General de Expropiación Forzosa.

Artículo 3.—Se ordena al Comisionado del Interior que reconstruya, restaure, conserve y atienda al mantenimiento de cualquier monumento o lugar histórico que pertenezca a El Pueblo de Puerto Rico o que en lo sucesivo se adquiera.

Artículo 4.—Se asigna de cualesquier fondos en Tesorería Insular no destinados a otras atenciones la suma de $50,000.00 o la parte de ella que fuere necesaria que se pondrá a disposición del Comisionado del Interior para dar cumplimiento a los fines de esta Ley. Cualquier otros fondos que existan en poder del Servicio Insular de Parques o cualquier otra agencia o organismo del Gobierno para es-
in addition to the sum previously appropriated, be placed at the disposal of the Commissioner of the Interior.

Section 5.—All laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 6.—This Act, being of an urgent and necessary character, shall take effect immediately after its approval.

Approved, July 1, 1947.

AN ACT

To create the Registry of Property of Río Piedras, and to determine the territorial jurisdiction thereof; to determine the territorial jurisdiction of the Registry of Property of San Juan; to reorganize sections one and two of the Registry of Property of San Juan, and determine their respective jurisdictions; to create the Commercial Registry of Río Piedras, in the Registry of Property of Río Piedras; to create the Office of Registrar of the Registry of Property of Río Piedras and to appropriate funds for payment of salaries; to appropriate the sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars for the expenses of installation, purchase of equipment, and furniture, payment of rent and operating expenses until June 30, 1948, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Puerto Rico:

Section 1.—There is hereby created the Registry of Property of Río Piedras, with seat in said municipality, which Registry of Property shall include in its territorial jurisdiction the municipalities of Río Piedras, Carolina, Río Grande, Trujillo Alto, and Loíza. On and after the effective date of this Act, the municipalities hereinbefore referred to shall be segregated from the Registry of Property of San Juan, Section Two.

Section 2.—On and after the effective date of this Act, the territorial jurisdiction of the Registry of Property of San Juan shall include the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of San Juan. The territorial jurisdiction of each of the sections of the Registry of Property of San Juan shall be the following:

(a) Section One shall have for its territorial jurisdiction the capital and the area lying north of Ponce de León Avenue in the barrio of Santurce, known and identified in the Registry of Property as “Santurce, North.”

(b) Section Two shall have for its territorial jurisdiction the entire area lying to the South of Ponce de León Avenue in the barrio...