Morovis, Puerto Rico, shall habilitate part of the quarters occupied by their offices so that the personnel appointed may make the transcription, and consequently, for such purposes, they shall furnish them all the duplicate books from 1885 to 1934, inclusive.

Section 4.—The personnel which the Commissioner of Health is hereby directed to appoint shall consist of three clerks for each municipality stated. A remuneration of eight (8) cents for each transcription of an entry made, is hereby fixed for each clerk.

Section 5.—The secretaries of the District Courts of Humacao and Arecibo, Puerto Rico, shall, as the transcription of each book is finished, certify its authenticity at the foot thereof, after it has been compared, and shall send it to the keeper of the register of vital statistics in San Lorenzo, or Morovis, Puerto Rico, requiring a receipt thereof.

Section 6.—The keepers of the registers of vital statistics of San Lorenzo and Morovis, P. R., are empowered to issue copies of the entries appearing in the said books as if said books were the originals.

Section 7.—All laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 8.—This Act shall take effect ninety days after its approval.

Approved, May 4, 1939.

[No. 88]

AN ACT

TO REGULATE EXAMINATIONS FOR MASTER AND JOURNEYMAN PLUMBERS; TO CREATE A BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF MASTER AND JOURNEYMAN PLUMBERS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Puerto Rico:

Section 1.—A Board of Examiners of Master and Journeyman Plumbers is hereby created, to be appointed by the Governor of Puerto Rico, with the advice and consent of the Senate, which board shall be composed of the sanitation engineer, the master plumber of the Department of Health, and three master plumbers who shall have worked at their trade for at least five (5) years. The members of said board shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years and shall serve ad honorem.

Section 2.—It shall be the duty of the board to examine all applicants for licenses as master or journeyman plumbers, and to issue the corresponding certificates to those approved by said board.
The board shall prepare such by-laws to govern its operation and to establish the nature of the examinations, and the place, date, and hour of the holding thereof as are not in conflict herewith.

Section 3.—Every applicant for a license as a master plumber shall first submit a certificate showing that he has taken in a public or private school recognized by the Government, a course equivalent to the eighth grade, that he is over twenty-one years of age, and that he has worked as a journeyman plumber for at least four years before the date of the examination, under the direction of a duly licensed master plumber.

Section 4.—Every applicant for a license as journeyman plumber shall first submit a certificate showing that he has taken in a public or private school recognized by the Government, a course equivalent to the eighth grade, and present a license as apprentice plumber issued by the Commissioner of Health; shall be at least eighteen years of age, and must have worked as apprentice plumber for at least three years before the date of the examination, under the direction of a duly licensed master plumber. Students of legally recognized schools of plumbing in Puerto Rico may take their examinations upon a diploma issued by said schools and one year of practice under the direction of a duly licensed master plumber.

Section 5.—For licenses issued as provided in this Act, master and journeyman plumbers shall each pay ten (10) and five (5) dollars, respectively, and said amounts shall be covered into a special fund in the Department of Finance to be known as the "Fund of the Board of Examiners of Master and Journeyman Plumbers of Puerto Rico."

Section 6.—The applicants for master and journeyman plumber's licenses must remit two (2) dollars with their application for examination, as the fee therefor.

Section 7.—Master and journeyman plumbers holding licenses issued in the United States by any municipal or state sanitation board shall be permitted to practice their trade without further examination, if the Board of Examiners so resolves.

Section 8.—Applicants from the Boys' Charity School for licenses as journeyman plumbers are hereby exempt from the payment of the two- and five-dollar fees for license and examination.

Section 9.—The board shall choose a secretary-treasurer who shall take charge of all the money received by the Board of Examiners, which shall be covered into the Fund of the Board in the Depart-
ment of Finance, and the corresponding warrants shall be issued for covering into it any sum.

Section 10.—The payment of any debt, duly approved by the Board of Examiners, shall be made effective through warrant and voucher certified by the chairman and secretary-treasurer to the Auditor of Puerto Rico for its proper payment.

Section 11.—It shall be the duty of the board to hold examinations for master and journeyman plumbers once each year, in the month and on the day it may deem convenient, provided the call therefor is issued at least sixty (60) days in advance of the date fixed for the examinations.

Section 12.—Act No. 16-A, approved April 13, 1929, is hereby expressly repealed.

Section 13.—This Act shall take effect ninety days after its approval.

Approved, May 4, 1939.

[No. 89]

AN ACT

TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER OF THE INTERIOR OF PUERTO RICO TO EXCHANGE LANDS OF THE PEOPLE OF PUERTO RICO WHICH ARE INCLUDED BETWEEN ISLA GRANDE AND THE ROAD LEADING FROM SANTURCE TO BAYAMON, ALONG THE SHORE IN THE SOUTH PART OF SANTURCE, FOR SUCH OTHER PRIVATELY OWNED LANDS ADJACENT THERETO AS MAY BE NECESSARY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A MARGINAL STREET AND THE PROJECTED DRY DOCK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Puerto Rico:

Section 1.—The People of Puerto Rico is the owner of certain lands situated on the shore in the south part of Santurce, between Isla Grande and the road which leads from Santurce to Bayamón, which lands are included in the plan approved by Joint Resolution No. 53, of July 31, 1923.

Section 2.—By virtue of Act No. 29, of April 18, 1936, the Commissioner of the Interior is authorized to construct a dry dock and necessary dependencies in San Juan, Puerto Rico, and to acquire the lands and rights of way that may be necessary in connection with said works.

Section 3.—By Act No. 244, approved May 15, 1938, the sum of one hundred thousand (100,000) dollars, or such part thereof as may be necessary, was appropriated for the construction of a section of a marginal street that appears on the plan to which reference was made in Section 1, which street will have to pass, in part, in the Hacienda de Puerto Rico and that will have the corresponding libranientos para ingreso cualquier suma.

Sección 10.—Cualquier pago por concepto de deuda debidamente aprobado por la junta examinadora tuviere que efectuarse se hará mediante comprobante y libraniento certificado por el presidente y secretario-tesorero al Auditor de Puerto Rico para su pago correspondiente.

Sección 11.—Será deber de esta junta celebrar exámenes para maestros y oficiales una vez cada año en el mes y día que lo creyere conveniente, siempre que la convocatoria sea hecha por lo menos sesenta (60) días antes de la fecha fijada para los exámenes.

Sección 12.—Por la presente queda expresamente derogada la Ley No. 16-A aprobada el 13 de abril de 1929.

Sección 13.—Esta Ley empezará a regir a los noventa días después de su aprobación.

Aprobada en 4 de mayo de 1939.

[No. 89]

LEY

AUTORIZANDO AL COMISIONADO DEL INTERIOR DE PUERTO RICO PARA PERMITIR TERRENOS DE EL PUEBLO DE PUERTO RICO, DE LOS COMPRENDI-DOS EN EL LITORAL DE LA PARTE SUR DE SANTURCE, ENTRE ISLA GRANDE Y LA CARRETERA QUE CONDUCE DE SANTURCE A BAYAMÓN, POR OTROS TERRENOS DE PERTENENCIA PARTICULAR ADYACENTES A LOS MISMOS QUE FUEREN NECESARIOS PARA LA CONSTRUCCIÓN DE LA CALLE MARGINAL Y DEL DIQUE DE CARENA EN PROYECTO, Y PARA OTROS FINES.

Decretase por la Asamblea Legislativa de Puerto Rico:

Sección 1.—El Pueblo de Puerto Rico es dueño de ciertos terrenos situados en el litoral de la parte Sur de Santurce, entre Isla Grande y la carretera que conduce de Santurce a Bayamón, los cuales están comprendidos en el plano aprobado por la Resolución Conjunta Núm. 53 de 31 de julio de 1923.

Sección 2.—A virtud de la Ley Núm. 29 de 18 de abril de 1936, se autoriza al Comisionado del Interior a construir un dique de carena y dependencias necesarias en San Juan, Puerto Rico, y a adquirir los terrenos y servidumbres de paso que fueron necesarios en relación con dichas obras.

Sección 3.—A virtud de la Ley Núm. 244, aprobada en 15 de mayo de 1938 se asignó la cantidad de cien mil (100,000) dólares, o la parte de ella que fuere necesaria, para la construcción del trozo de la Calle Marginal que figura en el plano a que se ha hecho referencia en la sección 1ra., la cual habrá de discurrir en parte por los