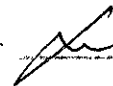


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Explanatory Note

The World Health Organization (WHO) considers motorcycle accidents as a public health in many Asian countries such as the Philippines. According to the report, nearly 1.2 million persons die of road traffic accidents every year, of which 40 percent are under the age of 25. Between 20 million and 50 million are injured every year. Factors such as speed, no helmets, risk-taking behavior, and drunk-driving contribute to the rising trend. The WHO also added that those from the poor families are at a greater risk of being killed or injured in a road accident.

Accordingly, based on an Asian Development Bank (ADB) report, motorcyclists were second at risk of being killed or injured in the road accident. Furthermore, the report said that they were a 'growing concern' as the number of motorcycles has been growing by 40 percent per year in the last three (3) years.

In the Philippines, a Metropolitan Manila Development Authority Road Safety Unit (MMDA-RSU) data showed that accidents involving motorcycles has significantly increased over the past years. RSU figures showed motorcycles were involved in 2,092 accidents, of which 51 had fatalities, in the first five months of 2006. The year 2005 showed a total of 4,174 motorcycle-related accidents where 79 fatalities in mishaps involving motorcycles were reported.

Thus, this bill seeks to create the Motorcycle Safety Riding Program (MSRP) which shall be the Philippines' official motorcycle safety and training program. The MRSP shall teach riders of all skill levels the basic fundamentals needed in order to safely operate a motorcycle. This bill shall encourage motorcycle riders to strictly obey traffic rules and road safety precautions especially in our country like ours which need not only infrastructure development, but also behavioral change.

In view of the foregoing, early passage of this is earnestly sought.

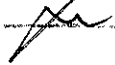

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**AN ACT
REQUIRING ALL MOTORCYCLE OWNERS TO UNDERGO MOTORCYCLE
SAFETY RIDING PROGRAM, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR, AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES**

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

1 **SECTION 1. Title.-** This Act shall be known as the "Motorcycle Safety Riding program
2 of 2009".

4 **SEC. 2. Policy of the State.-** It is the policy of the State to help lessen, if not totally
5 eradicate, the frequency of motorcycle-related accidents.

7 **SEC. 3. Definition of Terms.-** For the purposes of this Act, the following terms shall
8 have the following respective meanings:

9 1. *Motorcycle* means every motor vehicle, other than a tractor, having a seat or saddle for the
10 use of the operator and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the
11 ground, including, but not limited to, motor vehicles known as "motor-driven cycle," "motor
12 scooter," or "motorcycle" without regard to weight or brake horsepower.

13 2. *Motorcycle Owner* means a person who holds the legal title of a motorcycle or in the event a
14 motorcycle is the subject of an agreement for the conditional sale or lease thereof with the
15 right of purchase upon performance of the conditions stated in the agreement and with an
16 immediate right of possession vested in the conditional vendee or lessee or in the event a

1 mortgagor of a motorcycle is entitled to possession then such conditional vendee or lessee or
2 mortgagor shall be deemed the owner for the purpose of this title.

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4 **SEC. 4. *Motorcycle Safety Riding Program.***-

- 5 1. All motorcycle owners in the Philippines are required to undergo a “Motorcycle Safety
6 Riding Program” (MSRP) which will be spearheaded by trained motorcycle safety instructors
7 of municipal and city governments in the country.
- 8 2. An Identification Card (ID) and a small metal plate containing the MSRP registration number
9 shall be issued to all motorcycle owners who will finish the MSRP.
- 10 3. It shall be issued to the owner upon renewal of the MSRP registration.
- 11 4. MSRP registration shall be renewed annually and a corresponding sticker shall be issued to
12 the owner upon renewal of the MSRP registration.
- 13 5. A fee of Three Hundred Pesos (P300.00) shall be paid by the motorcycle owner to the
14 Treasury Department before undergoing the said program.

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16 **SEC. 5. *Prohibition.***- Lending and tampering of the metal plate, sticker and ID are
17 prohibited and shall be punished accordingly.

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19 **SEC. 6. *Penalty.***- Any person found violating any of the provisions of this Act shall be
20 penalized in the following manner:

- 21 a) A fine of One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person who will be
22 caught without an MSRP metal plate and/or ID;
- 23 b) A fine of Two Thousand Pesos (P2,000.00) shall be imposed for tampering or lending of
24 metal plate, ID and sticker.

1 **SEC. 7. *Implementing Agency.*** The Philippine National Police and the Office of Public
2 Safety and Security in every town or city are hereby tasked to implement this Act.

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5 **SEC. 8. *Repealing Clause.***- Any laws, decrees, ordinances or rules and regulations
6 which are inconsistent with or contrary to the provision of this Act is hereby amended or
7 repealed.

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9 **SEC. 9. *Effectivity.***- This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete
10 publication in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,