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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 26

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Submitted jointly by the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and the Committee on Youth, Women and Family Relations on MAR 2.2 2011

Re: Senate Bill No. 930.

Recommending its approval with amendments.

Sponsor: Senator Ejercito Estrada

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Labor, Employment, and Human Resources Development; and the Committee on Youth, Women and Family Relations to which were referred Senate Bill No. 930, introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada, entitled

"AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT ADVERTISING"

and Senate Bill No. 1878, introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago, entitled:

"AN ACT PROHIBITING GENDER DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT ADVERTISING"

have considered the same and have the honor to report them back to the Senate with the recommendation that Senate Bill No. 930 be approved with the following

amendments, taking into consideration Senate Bill No. 1878 making Senators Ejercito Estrada and Defensor Santiago as authors thereof.

- 1. On page 1, move the phrase starting with the word "directly and ends with the word employer on lines 9 to 11 to line 8 and to realign them accordingly.
- 2. On page 3, line 22, between the words "Act" and "occurred", change the word "as" to "has."
- 3. On the same page, line 23, insert the phrase "SHALL FURNISH SUCH EMPLOYER, PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY OR LABOR ORGANIZATION" between the words "organization" and "with".
- 4. On the same page, line 24, after the first word "charge", delete the phrase "and make an investigation of such."
- 5. On the same page, and the same line 24, delete the word "charge" before the word "provided."
- 6. On page 4, line 13, delete the comma (,) and replace it with a period (.).
- 7. On the same page, move the phrase "corporation" on line 15 to line 14, after the word "such" and realign them accordingly.
- 8. On the same page, move the entire line 17 to line 16, and realign them accordingly.
- 9. On the page 5, line 1, change the word "Effectivity" to "Effectivity" to correct a typo error.

Respectfully submitted:

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Senate Bill No. 930

INTRODUCED BY SEN. JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT ADVERTISING

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

SECTION 1. Short Title. This Act shall be known as "Anti-Gender
 Discrimination in Employment Advertising Act".

SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy. It is the policy of the State to ensure
 equality of men and women by prohibiting gender discrimination in job
 opportunities advertising.

6	SEC.	3. Definition of Terms . For purposes of this Act, the term:
7	(a)	"Employer" includes any person acting in the interest of an
8		employer,
9		directly or indirectly. The term shall not include any labor
10		organization or any of its officers or agents except when acting
11		as employer.

- (b) "Labor Organization" means any union or association of employees
 which exists in whole or in part for the purpose of collective
 bargaining or of dealing with employers concerning terms and
 conditions of employment.
- (c) "Private Employment Agency" means any person or entity engaged
 in the recruitment and placement of workers for a fee which is
 charged, directly or indirectly, from the workers or employers or both.
- (d) "Recruitment and Placement" refers to any act of canvassing,
 enlisting, contracting, transporting, utilizing, hiring, procuring,
 workers and other similar acts, and includes referrals, locally or
 abroad, whether for profit or not: Provided, That any person or
 entity which, in any manner, offers or promises for a fee
 employment to two or more persons shall be deemed engaged in
 recruitment and placement.

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SEC. 4. Prohibited Acts.

(a) It shall be unlawful discriminatory practice for any employer, 16 whether for profit or not, any labor organization or any private employment 17 agency to print, circulate or publish or cause to be printed, circulated or published 18 any statement, circulation or publication relating to employment by such an 19 employer or membership in any classification or referral for employment by such 20 an employment agency, indicating any preference, limitation, specification or 21 discrimination, based on sex, except that such a notice or advertisement may 22 indicate a preference, limitation, specification or discrimination, based on sex 23 24 when sex is a bonafide occupational qualification for employment.

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(b) It shall be unlawful discriminatory practice for any person to aid,
 abet, incite, compel or coerce the doing of any of the acts forbidden under this
 section or to attempt to do so.

SEC. 5. Certification of Exemption. The Department of Labor and 4 Employment shall have the power and it shall be its duty to certify upon request 5 of any person that a particular occupation or position is exempt from the 6 provisions of this Act relating to unlawful employment practices if the Department 7 of Labor and Employment finds that the occupation or position reasonably 8 requires the employment of person or persons of a particular sex and that such 9 certification is not sought as means of circumventing spirit and purpose of this 10 Act. 11

SEC. 6. Guidelines. The placement of and advertisement in columns classified by publishers on the basis of sex, such columns headed "Male" or "Female" will be considered an expression of preference, limitation, specification or discrimination based on sex provided that the advertisement shall contain a sufficient notice that it is covered by the exemption to be determined by the Department of Labor and Employment as provided for in Section 5 hereof.

Prevention of Unlawful Employment Practices. Whenever SEC. 7. 18 it is charged in writing under oath by a person claiming to be aggrieved, or a 19 written charge has been filed by the Department of Labor and Employment or its 20 authorized representative where there is a reasonable cause to believe that a 21 violation of this Act as occurred that an employer, private employment agency or 22 labor organization with a copy of such charge and make an investigation of such 23 charge and make an investigation of such charge, provided that such charge 24 shall not be made public by the Department of Labor and Employment. if the 25

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Department of Labor and Employment shall determine, after such investigation, that there is a reasonable cause to believe that the charge is true, the Department of Labor and Employment, shall endeavor to eliminate any such alleged unlawful employment practice.

SEC. 8. *Regulations.* The Department of Labor and Employment
 shall promulgate rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 9. Scope. The provisions of this Act shall apply only to
 employment advertising by private employer, labor organization, private
 employment agency and other private entities.

SEC. 10. *Penalties.* Any violation of this Act shall be punished with a fine of not less than ten thousand pesos (PIO,OOO.OO) or imprisonment of not less than three (3) months or both at the discretion of the court. If the offense is committed by a corporation, trust, firm, partnership or association or other entity. the penalty shall be imposed upon the guilty officer or officers of such

¹⁵ corporation, trust, firm, partnership or association or entity.

SEC. 11. Separability Clause. If any provision, or part hereof, is held
 invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of the law or the provision not otherwise
 affected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SEC. 12. *Repealing Clause*. Any law, presidential decree or
 issuances, executive order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule or
 regulation contrary to or inconsistent with, the provisions of this Act is hereby
 repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

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SEC. 13. Effectivity Clause. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15)
 days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.
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