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Introduced by Senator S. R. Osmeña III

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to declare December 31 as National Thanksgiving Day and annual non-working holiday.

December 31, the last of the year is sandwiched between two (2) public holidays, Rizal Day on December 30 and the New Year on January 1. And by virtue of this circumstance alone, it is usually declared a special non-working holiday.

The last day of the year would be the most auspicious time to reflect on all the bountiful graces (material and spiritual) that has come upon a person or a country.

Declaring December 31 as a National Thanksgiving Day and an annual non-working holiday, would also spare the people of unnecessary anxious anticipation of a government decision on whether to declare December 31 a non-working holiday or not, and relieve the government from undue pressure to do so.

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


SERGIO OSMEÑA III
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AN ACT
DECLARING DECEMBER 31 AS NATIONAL THANKSGIVING DAY AND AN
ANNUAL HOLIDAY

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

- 1 SECTION 1. December 31 is hereby declared as National Thanksgiving
2 Day and an annual non-working holiday.
- 3 SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval
- 4 Approved,