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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Despite the requirement for motor vehicle registration, no such registration for heavy equipment is required under existing laws, rules and regulations. This explains the unabated practice of unscrupulous contractors who abandon their projects the moment they receive the money for its construction. Consequently, this has caused numerous accidents and unnecessary discomfort to the detriment of the public

This measure seeks to create a rational registration scheme for heavy equipment and curtail the unscrupulous practices of contractors. With the compulsory registration of heavy equipment, owners/lessors and lessees will be properly identified while those committing illegal acts will be punished accordingly.

Furthermore, it will also curb the malicious practice of leasing the same heavy equipments to two or more different contractors at a given time. This has caused delays and hassles that should have been avoided if there is a law that will deter this practice.

The passage of this measure likewise aims to generate additional income for the government. The substantial fees that are expected to be derived from the collection will surely help boost the government's income.

Therefore, the passage of this bill is hereby earnestly sought.

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AN ACT  
PROVIDING FOR THE COMPULSORY REGISTRATION OF HEAVY  
EQUIPMENT

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

1 SECTION 1. **Compulsory Registration of Heavy Equipment.** - The  
2 provision of any existing law to the contrary notwithstanding, all heavy equipment  
3 such as, but not limited to, earthmoving equipment, compaction equipment, lifting  
4 equipment, excavating equipment operated on or upon any part of the  
5 Philippines must be registered with the Land Transportation Office (LTO) for the  
6 current year in accordance with the provision of Republic Act No. 4136,  
7 otherwise known as the Land Transportation and Traffic Code, as amended.

8 SECTION 2. **Registration and Scheduling of Fees.** - The Land  
9 Transportation Office (LTO) is hereby empowered to prepare the details of a  
10 registration scheme wherein the registration of the heavy equipment will be  
11 equitably distributed over different month in a given calendar year.

12 Furthermore, the LTO is hereby empowered to prepare a schedule of  
13 registration fees subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Department of  
14 Transportation and Communication (DOTC), in consultation with the Secretary of  
15 the Department of Finance (DOF). The scheduling of said fees shall be  
16 determined on the basis of model, body configuration, weight, cubic  
17 displacement or number of cylinders of heavy equipment and other pertinent  
18 factors. Said schedule shall not be changed more often that once every three (3)

1 years and only upon due notice given to the public at least ninety (90) calendar  
2 days before the effectivity of such schedule.

3 SECTION 3. **Applicability.**- The provisions of Republic Act No.  
4 4136, as amended, pertaining to the compulsory registration of motor vehicles  
5 shall apply to the compulsory registration of heavy equipment when not in conflict  
6 with this Act.

7 SECTION 4. **Effectivity Clause.** - This Act shall take effect fifteen  
8 (15) days from its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2)  
9 newspapers of general circulation.

10 Approved,