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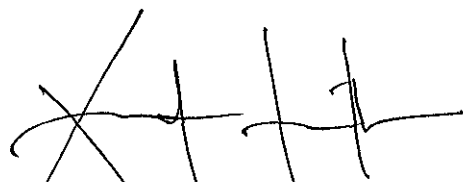
As enshrined in the 1987 Constitution:

*"The State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill among health consciousness."*

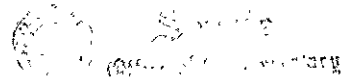
This bill embodies this policy by requiring the inclusion of blood type information of holder-owner of certificates, licenses, and identification cards be issued by the government. This information is necessary especially in unlikely situations such as accidents and calamities, wherein a person would be needing urgent medical attention, particularly blood transfusion. Information such as this is vital in order to immediately address the needs of a victim in saving his/her life.

Furthermore, blood type information of citizens, which would be available in the database of concerned government agencies identified in this bill, would be helpful for a systematic maintenance of stocks of blood in hospitals and in blood banks maintained by the Philippine Red Cross.

In view of the foregoing, immediate approval of this bill is earnestly sought.



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AN ACT  
REQUIRING ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES ISSUING IDENTIFICATION CARDS,  
CERTIFICATES AND LICENSES TO INDICATE THEREIN THE BLOOD TYPE OF  
THE HOLDER AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF

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

1 SECTION 1. *Short Title.* – This Act shall be known as the “Blood Type Identification  
2 Act of 2013.”

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4 SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – In order to promote public health, it is hereby declared  
5 the policy of the State to promote awareness about the importance of blood type which is to be  
6 found in all government-issued identification cards and to facilitate immediate transfusion during  
7 medical emergencies.

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9 SEC. 3. *Blood Type Identification.* – The Government Service Insurance System (GSIS),  
10 the Social Security System (SSS), the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC), the Land  
11 Transportation Office (LTO), the Philippine National Police (PNP), the Department of Foreign  
12 Affairs (DFA), the Local Treasurer’s Office, the Local Registrar’s Office and other pertinent  
13 agencies which may later be identified or created upon the effectivity of this Act shall indicate in  
14 their issued certificates, licenses and identification cards the blood type of the owner-holder.

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16 SEC. 4. *Coverage.* – The following government-issued identification documents shall  
17 bear the blood type of its owner-holder:

1 (a) Certificates:

2 (1) Birth Certificate or Certificate of Live Birth; and

3 (2) Community Tax Certificate, as issued by the Local Treasurer's  
4 Office.

5 (b) Licenses:

6 (1) Driver's license, as issued by the LTO; and

7 (2) Firearms license, as issued by the PNP.

8 (c) Identification Cards:

9 (1) SSS Card, as issued by the SSS;

10 (2) GSIS Card, as issued by the GSIS;

11 (3) Passport as issued by the DFA; and

12 (4) Professional Identification Card (PIC), as issued by the PRC and such other  
13 certificates, licenses and/or identification documents that the other agencies not yet stated in  
14 Section 3 may issue in the same classification as enumerated above.

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16 SEC. 5. *Prohibited Act.* – It shall be unlawful for any person to deliberately bear false  
17 information as to one's blood type on any certificate, license and other government identification  
18 card.

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20 SEC. 6. *Penal Provision.* – Violations of Section 5 of this Act shall be punishable by a  
21 fine of not less than Five thousand pesos (P5,000.00) but not more than Ten thousand pesos  
22 (P10,000.00). Any person in government office who violates the provisions of this Act shall, in  
23 addition to the penalty stated above, be dismissed from government service.

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25 SEC. 7. *Appropriations.* – The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall  
26 be charged to the appropriations of the implementing agencies under the General Appropriations  
27 Act (GAA). Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for its continued implementation shall be  
28 included in the GAA.

1           SEC. 8. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – All government implementing agencies,  
2 in coordination with the Department of Health, shall formulate the rules and regulations  
3 necessary to implement the provisions of this Act within six (6) months of its effectivity.

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5           SEC. 9. *Separability Clause.* – In the event that any provision of this Act is declared  
6 unconstitutional, the validity of the other provisions shall not be affected by such declaration.

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8           SEC. 10. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations and other  
9 issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby  
10 repealed or modified accordingly.

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12           SEC. 11. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in  
13 at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,