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REQUIRING THE TEACHING OF BASIC ROAD SAFETY AND COMPREHENSIVE DRIVERS' EDUCATION AS PART OF THE CURRICULUM OF THE K-12 PROGRAM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

EXPLANATORY NOTE

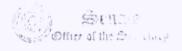
The World Health Organization considers road safety as a public health issue since one of the leading causes of death is road accidents.

To minimize or prevent the incidence and prevalence of deaths and injuries, property damages, and socio-economic losses caused by road mishaps, this proposed measure seeks to include Basic Road Safety and Comprehensive Drivers' Education to the curriculum of the K-12 Program. It is alarming to note that a lot of adults today have little or no knowledge of basic road safety and traffic rules and regulations. Studies show that many road accidents and mishaps resulted from ignorance or false understanding of traffic rules and regulations. In today's era of communication and transportation, common sense dictates that everyone should have at least a basic understanding of this considering that road safety is everyone's responsibility.

It is high time, therefore, that we address this deficiency and "drive" towards safer roads by producing more well-rounded individuals thereby increasing also the safety and efficiency of road traffic. I urge my colleagues to see the merits of this proposal and work together with me for the immediate passage of this bill.

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

1	Section 1. It is the duty of the State to promulgate policies that will ensure a
2	safe, viable and dependable road safety system in the country in order to protect the
3	welfare of the general public.
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5	Sec. 2. Basic Road Safety and Comprehensive Drivers' Education shall be
6	integrated in the curriculum of all educational institutions, both public and private,
7	starting from elementary up to the senior high school level.
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9 Sec. 3. The Department of Education (DepEd), in coordination with the Land 10 Transportation Office (LTO), shall adopt the necessary rules and regulations to 11 implement the provisions of this Act.

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Sec. 4. The DepEd, in coordination with the Department of Transportation (DoTr), University of the Philippines National Center for Transportation Studies and in consultation with road safety advocates and organizations, shall develop a Basic Road Safety Curriculum conducive for students which shall include, but not limited to, the rights and responsibilities of pedestrians and commuters in their use of all types of road transportation, road awareness, road signage, and responsible commuting, as well as, driving rules and regulations, driving courtesy, driving safety, road hazards,
and vehicle safety features.

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3 Sec. 5. The funds needed for the purpose of implementing this Act shall be 4 sourced from the Road Safety Fund which is 7.5% of the Motor Vehicles User's Charge. 5 6 Sec. 6. All laws, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with 7 8 this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly. 9 Sec. 7. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least 10 11 two (2) newspapers of general circulation. 12 Approved, 13