



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 3409

BY REPRESENTATIVES DOMOGAN, SANDOVAL AND ZUBIRI, PER
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 161

AN ACT FURTHER AMENDING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1869,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS PAGCOR CHARTER

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

1 SECTION 1. The Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation
2 (PAGCOR) franchise granted under Presidential Decree No. 1869,
3 otherwise known as the PAGCOR Charter is hereby further amended to
4 read as follows:

5 (1) Section 10, Nature and Term of Franchise, is hereby amended
6 to read as follows:

7 "SEC. 10. *Nature and Term of Franchise.* – Subject to the terms
8 and conditions established in this Decree, the Corporation is hereby
9 [granted for a period of twenty-five (25) years,] **GRANTED FROM THE**
10 **EXPIRATION OF ITS ORIGINAL TERM ON JULY 11, 2008, ANOTHER**
11 **PERIOD OF TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS**, renewable for another twenty-five
12 (25) years, the rights, privileges and authority to operate and maintain
13 gambling casinos, **GAMING** clubs and other **SIMILAR** recreation or
14 amusement places, [sports,] gaming pools, i.e. basketball, football,

1 [lotteries,] BINGO, etc., EXCEPT JAI-ALAI AND INTERNET GAMBLING,
2 whether on land or sea, within the territorial jurisdiction of the Republic of
3 the Philippines: *PROVIDED, THAT THE CORPORATION SHALL OBTAIN*
4 *THE CONSENT OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT THAT HAS*
5 *TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OVER THE AREA CHOSEN AS THE SITE FOR*
6 *ANY OF ITS OPERATIONS.*

7 THE OPERATION OF SLOT MACHINES AND OTHER GAMBLING
8 PARAPHERNALIA AND EQUIPMENT, SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED IN
9 ESTABLISHMENTS OPEN OR ACCESSIBLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC
10 UNLESS THE SITE OF THESE OPERATIONS ARE THREE-STAR HOTELS AND
11 RESORTS ACCREDITED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AUTHORIZED
12 BY THE CORPORATION AND BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT
13 CONCERNED.”

14 SEC. 2. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, executive orders,
15 proclamations, rules and regulations and other issuances, or parts thereof
16 which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, are hereby repealed,
17 amended or modified.

18 SEC. 3. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15)
19 days from the date of its publication, upon the initiative of the grantee, in at
20 least two papers of general circulation in the Philippines.

Approved,

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