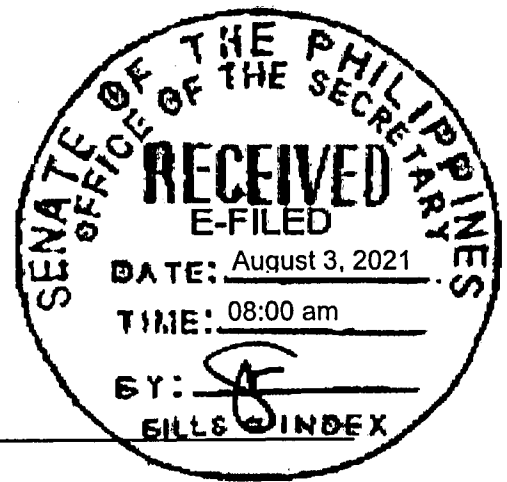


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article XIV, Section 19 (1) of the 1987 Philippine Constitution recognizes that "the State shall promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training for international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry."

The Olympic games are held only every four years. Only the best of the best make it there, and only the top three in the world will receive a medal. Recently, the Philippines won its first ever gold in the Olympics, through the hardwork and dedication of weightlifter, Hidilyn Diaz. During this time of a pandemic, where the Philippines is facing difficulties and challenges, Hidilyn's win brought hope and pride to our nation. Meanwhile, as of this writing, Nesthy Petecio is assured of the silver in women's featherweight boxing while Eumir Marcial is assured of the bronze in men's middleweight boxing. Also, a number of other Filipino athletes have qualified for the finals and have a chance of winning a medal.

While incentives received by the athletes are exempted from tax as provided for in Sec. 32 of the National Internal Revenue Code, those received from the private sector are still subject to the six percent (6%) donor's tax.

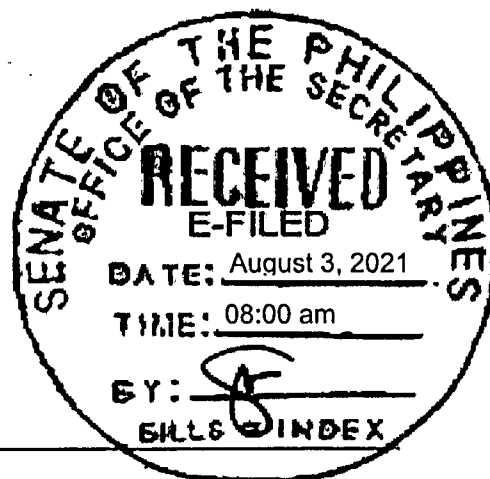
Given that there is an outpouring of support from the private sector, the proposed bill seeks to provide tax exemptions from both public and private sources, such that the cash incentives, bonuses, rewards, and other forms of emoluments received by national athletes and their coaches, who win in the Summer Olympic Games and Winter Olympic Games, shall be exempted from any and all taxes, fees, and charges levied by any government agency. Thus, recognizing the pivotal role of private companies and individuals as government's partners in supporting Filipino athletes.

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

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AN ACT
EXEMPTING DONATIONS AND REWARDS IN FAVOR OF OLYMPIC MEDALISTS
AND THEIR COACHES FROM TAXES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
REPUBLIC ACT NO.10699

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

1 **SEC. 1.** A new section designated as Section 10-A of Republic Act No. 10699
2 is hereby added and shall read as follows:

3 **SEC. 10-A. TAX EXEMPTION.** THE CASH INCENTIVES,
4 BONUSES, REWARDS, AND OTHER FORMS OF EMOLUMENTS
5 RECEIVED BY OLYMPIC MEDALISTS AND THEIR COACHES,
6 WHETHER THE SAME IS FROM PUBLIC FUNDS OR PRIVATE
7 PERSONS OR ENTITIES, SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM ANY AND ALL
8 TAXES, FEES, AND CHARGES LEVIED BY ANY GOVERNMENT
9 AGENCY, LOCAL OR NATIONAL, SUBJECT TO THE RULES AND
10 REGULATIONS TO BE ISSUED BY THE SECRETARY OF FINANCE, AS
11 RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF INTERNAL REVENUE.
12 **PROVIDED,** THAT THIS SECTION SHALL HAVE RETROACTIVE
13 EFFECT ON NATIONAL ATHLETES AND COACHES WHO WON IN THE
14 2020 SUMMER OLYMPIC GAMES IN TOKYO, JAPAN.

15 **SEC. 2. Separability Clause.** – If any portion or provision of this Act is
16 subsequently declared invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions hereof which are
17 not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

18 **SEC. 3. Repealing Clause.** – All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations
19 and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Act, are hereby
20 repealed or modified accordingly.

21 **SEC. 4. Effectivity.** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
22 publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,