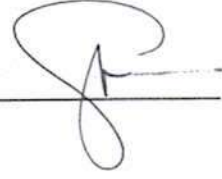


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SENATE



COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 375

Submitted by the Committee on Public Services on DEC 13 2021

Re: **House Bill No. 9384**

Recommending its approval with amendment.

Sponsor: **Senator Grace Poe**

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Public Services, to which was referred **House Bill No. 9384**, introduced by **Representatives Romualdez (F.M)** and **Romualdez (Y.M.)** entitled:

AN ACT
EXPANDING THE SCOPE OF THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF DAVAO, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11538, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF DAVAO A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN RADIO BROADCASTING STATIONS IN DAVAO CITY'

has considered the same and has the honor to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be approved with the following amendment:

1. On page 1, line 14, add a new Section 2 to read as follows:

SEC. 2. SECTION 4 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11538 IS HEREBY AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

"SEC. 4. *Responsibility to the Public.* - The grantee shall reach the pertinent populations or portions thereof on important public issues and relay important public announcements and warnings concerning public emergencies and calamities, as necessity, urgency or law may require; provide at all times sound and balanced programming; promote public participation; assist in the functions of public information and education; conform to the ethics of honest enterprise; promote audience sensibility and empowerment including closed captioning; and

not use its stations or facilities for the broadcasting of obscene or indecent language, speech, act or scene, the dissemination of deliberately false information or willful misrepresentation, to the detriment of public interest, or to incite, encourage, or assist in subversive or treasonable acts.


PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8370, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "CHILDREN'S TELEVISION ACT OF 1997", THE GRANTEE SHALL ALLOT A MINIMUM OF FIFTEEN PERCENT (15%) OF THE DAILY TOTAL AIR TIME OF EACH BROADCASTING NETWORK OR STATION TO CHILD-FRIENDLY SHOWS WITHIN ITS REGULAR PROGRAMMING.

Renumber the succeeding Sections accordingly.

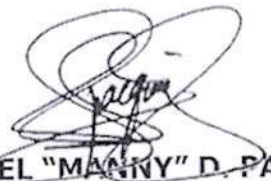
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 9384

BY REPRESENTATIVES ROMUALDEZ (F.M.), ROMUALDEZ (Y.M.) AND ALVAREZ (F.)

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 11538 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows:

3 "SECTION 1. *Nature and Scope of Franchise.* – Subject to the provisions of
4 the Constitution and applicable laws, rules and regulations, there is hereby
5 granted to the City Government of Davao, hereunder referred to as the grantee,
6 its successors or assignees, a franchise to construct, install, **ESTABLISH**,
7 operate, and maintain for commercial purposes and in the public interest, radio
8 **AND TELEVISION** broadcasting stations in Davao City where frequencies or
9 channels are still available for radio **AND TELEVISION** broadcasting,
10 **INCLUDING DIGITAL TELEVISION SYSTEM**, through microwave, satellite or
11 whatever means, including the use of any new technology in **TELEVISION AND**
12 radio systems, with the corresponding technological auxiliaries and facilities,
13 special broadcast and other program and distribution services and relay stations."

14 SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
15 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,