## **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

H. No. 7426

By Representatives Dagooc, Villafuerte (L.R.), Villafuerte (M.L.), Horibata, Enciso, Velasco, Fuentebella, Cruz (A.), Valmayor, Adiong, Ortega, Romualdo, Vergara, Espares, Singson-Meehan, Suarez, Fernandez, Reyes, Marino, Veloso-Tuazon, Legarda, Lumayag, Alvarez (M.), Luistro, Manuel, De Jesus and Dalipe, per Committee Report No. 394

## AN ACT PROCLAIMING THE FIRST MONDAY OF AUGUST OF EVERY YEAR AS LINE WORKERS APPRECIATION DAY

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 "National Line Workers Appreciation
- 2 Day Act".
- 3 SEC. 2. Declaration of State Policy. The State recognizes the country's continued economic
- 4 growth and development by maintaining reliable supply of electricity to the different industries
- 5 and households, through a well-maintained electricity distribution and transmission system. Thus,
- 6 it acknowledges the role of the electrical line workers in the quest for sustainable rural
- 7 development through total electrification of the countryside and appreciates the contribution of
- 8 our line workers in nation-building.
- 9 SEC. 3. National Line Workers Appreciation Day. The first Monday of August of every year
- is hereby declared as National Line Workers Appreciation Day.
- 11 SEC. 4. Program of Activities. The National Electrification Administration (NEA) shall, in
- 12 coordination with other stakeholders in the power industry including electric cooperatives,
- 13 National Grid Corporation of the Philippines, National Transmission Corporation, Private Electric
- 14 Power Operators Association, Manila Electric Company and other organizations employing line

- workers, shall conduct lecture sessions for line workers, such as, trainings and seminars to ensure
- 2 the significance of the National Line Workers Appreciation Day and its meaningful observance.
- 3 The NEA shall spearhead the conduct of an annual national convention as part of the program of
- 4 activities for this day. Electric cooperatives shall likewise support the NEA in all its efforts to
- 5 promote and facilitate related activities.
- 6 The Department of Energy and private distribution utilities including power transmission
- 7 companies and telecommunications companies are hereby enjoined to launch activities such as
- 8 trainings, seminars and learning sessions for line workers in celebration of the National Line
- 9 Workers Appreciation Day.
- 10 SEC. 5. Separability Clause. If for any reason, any provision of this Act is declared invalid or
- unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.
- 12 SEC. 6. Repealing Clause. All laws, executive orders, issuances, decrees, rules and regulations
- 13 inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this Act are hereby amended, modified, and
- 14 repealed accordingly.
- 15 SEC. 7. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect fifteen days (15) after its publication in the Official
- 16 Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,