HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 4483

BY REPRESENTATIVES LACSON, BANAAG, MERCADO, SOLIS AND MALANYAON, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 945

AN ACT IMPOSING A BAN ON LOGGING IN THE THIRD DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL

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

SECTION 1. A ban on logging is hereby imposed within the Third District of the Province of Negros Occidental. SEC. 2. For purposes of this Act, "logging" shall refer to the process, work or business of cutting down trees for commercial purposes. SEC. 3. The harvesting of planted species within tree plantations and the tree-cutting activities for projects approved by the government and only for basic services such as, but not limited to, public works, energy development or

- 8 water utilities are exempted from this Act: Provided, That any harvesting or

tree cutting shall comply with all pertinent environmental and forestry laws,
 rules and regulations.

3 SEC. 4. The Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural
4 Resources shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective
5 implementation of this Act.

6 SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,

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