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COMMITTEE REPORT NO.

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Re: 0.09.2378, prepared by the Committees.

Recommending its approval in substitution of S. Nos. 1048, 1202, 1368, 1669, 1869 and P. Senate Resolution No. 92, with Senators Santiago, Villar-and Cayetano, P. as authors thereof.

Sponsor: Senator Pia Cayetano

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Health and Demography, jointly with the Committees on Trade and Commerce and Youth, Women and Family Relations to which were referred the following:

Senate Bill No. 1048, introduced by Senator Santiago entitled:

"AN ACT

AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9211, OR THE TOBACCO REGULATION ACT OF 2003, SECTION 13, ON WARNINGS ON CIGARETTE PACKAGES"

Senate Bill No. 1202, introduced by Senator Santiago entitled:

"A BILL

TO PROTECT CHILDREN FROM EXPOSURE TO ENVIRONMENTAL TOBACCO SMOKE IN THE PROVISION OF CHILREN'S SERVICES"

Senate Bill No. 1368, introduced by Senator Cayetano, P. entitled:

"AN ACT

TO PROHIBIT SMOKING IN PRIVATE CONVEYANCES WHERE THERE ARE MINORS, SENIOR CITIZENS AND PREGNANT WOMEN, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9211, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'TOBACCO REGULATION ACT OF 2003,' PENALIZING VIOLATIONS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

Senate Bill No. 1669, introduced by Senator Santiago entitled:

"AN ACT

PROHIBITING MINORS FROM PURCHASING OR POSSESSING TOBACCO PRODUCTS"

Senate Bill No. 1869, introduced by Senator Villar entitled:

"AN

ACT PROHIBITING SMOKING TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN A MOTOR VEHICLE WHEN A MINOR IS PRESENT AND PROVIDING GRADUATED PENALTIES THEREFOR"

and P. Senate Resolution No. 92, introduced by Senator Cayetano, P. entitled:

"RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY TO INQUIRE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9211 OR THE TOBACCO REGULATIONS ACT OF 2003"

have considered the same and have the honor to report them back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached bill, S.B. No. 2378, prepared by the Committees entitled:

"AN ACT

AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9211, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ACT REGULATING THE PACKAGING, USE, SALE, DISTRIBUTION AND ADVERTISEMENTS OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

be approved in substitution of S. Nos. 1048, 1202, 1368, 1669 and P. Senate Resolution No. 92, with Senators Santiago and Cayetano, P. as authors.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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s. No. 2378

(In substitution of Senate Bill Nos.1048, 1202, 1368, 1669, 1869 and P.S. Resolution No.92)

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"AN ACT

AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9211, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ACT REGULATING THE PACKAGING, USE, SALE, DISTRIBUTION AND ADVERTISEMENTS OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

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

SEC. 1. Section 6 of Republic Act No. 9211 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 6. Designated Smoking And Non-Smoking Areas. - In all enclosed places that are open to the general public, private workplaces, and other places not covered under the preceding section, where smoking may expose a person other than the smoker to tobacco smoke, the owner, proprietor, possessor, manager or administrator of such places shall establish smoking areas. Such areas may include a designated smoking area within the building, which may be in an open space or separate area with proper ventilation, but shall not be located within the same room that has been designated as a non-smoking area, PROVIDED, THAT IN ALL SCHOOL-RELATED ACTIVITIES, WHETHER OUTSIDE THE WITHIN OR SCHOOL PREMISES AND WHETHER HELD INDOORS OR OUTDOORS, SMOKING SHALL BE ABSOLUTELY PROHIBITED.

All designated smoking areas shall have at least one (1) legible and visible sign posted, namely "SMOKING AREA" for the Information and guidance of all concerned. In addition, the sign posted shall include a warning about the health effects of direct or secondhand exposure to tobacco smoke. Non-smoking areas shall

likewise have at least one (1) legible and visible sign, namely: "SMOKING IS ABSOLUTELY PROHIBITED IN ENCLOSED AREAS UNDER RA 9211."

THESE SMOKING AND NON-SMOKING SIGNAGES SHOULD BE MADE PART OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ISSUANCE AND/OR RENEWAL OF THE BUSINESS PERMITS AND/OR PERMITS TO OPERATE OF ESTABLISHMENTS, HEALTH FACILITIES OR SCHOOLS AND THE FAILURE TO COMPLY THEREWITH IS A GROUND FOR THE DENIAL OR REVOCATION OF SUCH PERMITS, PROVIDED, THAT FOR SCHOOLS, THESE SIGNAGES SHOULD BE PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED WHENEVER YOUTH ACTIVITIES ARE BEING CONDUCTED DECLARING THAT THE AREA IS A SMOKE-FREE ZONE.

SEC. 2. Section 29 of Republic Act No. 9211 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 29. Implementing Agency. - An Inter-Agency Committee-Tobacco (IAC-Tobacco), which shall have the exclusive power and function to administer and implement the provisions of this Act, is hereby created. The IAC-Tobacco shall be chaired by the Secretary of the Department of HEALTH (DOH) with the Secretary of the Department of TRADE AND INDUSTRY (DTI) as Vice Chairperson. The IAC-Tobacco shall have the following members:

- a. Secretary of the Department of Agriculture (DA);
- b. Secretary of the Department of Justice (DOJ);
- c. Secretary of the Department of Finance (DOF);
- d. Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR);
- e. Secretary of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST);
- f. Secretary of the Department of Education (DepEd);
- g. Administrator of the National Tobacco Administration (NTA);
- h. A representative from a non-government organization (NGO) involved in public health promotion nominated by DOH in consultation with the concerned NGOs;

Τł	ne	Department	Secretaries	may	designate	their	Undersecretaries	as	their
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SEC. 3. Separability Clause. - If any part or provision of this Act shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, other provisions thereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SEC. 4. Repealing Clause. - All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are not consistent with this Act are herby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. Effectivity Clause. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation, whichever comes earlier.

Approved,