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EXPLANATORY NOTE

A study by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the World Bank finds that traffic fatalities, including those caused by alcohol, are a serious world health problem that is often overlooked. One in every 50 deaths worldwide is associated with road accidents, the study found. Each year, 1.2 million drivers, passengers, cyclists, and pedestrians are killed in traffic crashes. By 2020, traffic deaths are expected to increase by 80 percent as hundreds of millions of cars are added to the roads. The World Health Organization lists road accidents as the "second leading cause" of death worldwide among the young aged 5 to 29. An estimated 40 percent of these accidents are attributed to driving under the influence of liquor or narcotics (DUI), or drunk driving. The WHO says those road accidents cause 1.2 million deaths and 50 million injuries around the world each year. Some 480,000 of these deaths and 20 million of the injured are caused by drunk driving.

Most laws against drunk driving are punitive in nature. This legislation focuses on the practical side of prevention. By giving patrons of establishments that serve alcoholic drinks the option of an alternative transportation; driving under the influence incidents can be avoided. *

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1 AN ACT
2 PROVIDING FOR ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE

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

5 SECTION 1. *Sign Posting and Alternative Transportation Assistance.*

6 A) The owners or operators of establishments with a license to sell any alcoholic
7 beverage for consumption on the premises shall display in a conspicuous place a sign or
8 poster with conspicuous lettering that states: "Drinking and driving do not mix. If requested,
9 management will assist you in placing a local call in an effort to obtain alternative
10 transportation."

11 B) The owners or operators of establishments with a license to sell any alcoholic
12 beverage for consumption on the premises shall assist patrons in obtaining alternative
13 transportation should it be requested pursuant to paragraph (A) of this section. Assistance
14 shall be provided by placing a minimum of one local telephone call to a local transportation
15 service, and in areas where a local transportation service is not available or in cases where
16 such local transportation service does not respond to a request for service, allow the patron to
17 place one local telephone call on their own behalf in an effort to obtain alternative
18 transportation.

19 SECTION 2 *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations or
20 parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or
21 modified accordingly.

1 SECTION 3. *Separability Clause.* – If, for any reason, any provision of this Act is
2 declared to be unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or provisions hereof which are
3 not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

4 SECTION 4. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days
5 following its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of general
6 circulation.

7 Approved,