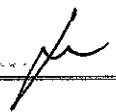


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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 278

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Constitutional Amendments,
Revision of Codes and Laws on MAR - 2 2009.

Re : Senate Bill No. 3111

Recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 337, 604, 890, 1406, 1693; and taking into
consideration House Bill No. 5279.

Sponsors : Senators Madrigal, Escudero, Estrada, Angara, Cayetano P., and Revilla, Jr.

MR. PRESIDENT :

The Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of
Codes and Laws to which were referred Senate Bill No. 337, introduced by Senator Estrada, entitled:

**"AN ACT
AMENDING ARTICLE 177 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES"**

Senate Bill No. 604, introduced by Senator Estrada, entitled:

**"AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BORN TO PARENTS BELOW
MARRYING AGE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE FAMILY CODE OF THE
PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED"**

Senate Bill No.890, introduced by Senator Angara, entitled:

**"AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BORN TO PARENTS BELOW
MARRYING AGE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE FAMILY CODE OF THE
PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED"**

Senate Bill No.1406, introduced by Senator Cayetano (P.), entitled:

**“AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BORN TO PARENTS BELOW
MARRYING AGE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE FAMILY CODE OF THE
PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED”**

Senate Bill No.1693, introduced by Senator Revilla Jr., entitled:

**“AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BORN TO PARENTS BELOW
MARRYING AGE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE FAMILY CODE OF THE
PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED”**

and taking into consideration House Bill No. 5279, introduced by Representatives Gunigundo, Angara, Gullas, Mitra, Villar, et al., entitled:

**“AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BORN TO PARENTS BELOW
MARRYING AGE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE FAMILY CODE OF THE
PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED”**

have considered the same and have the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached bill, Senate Bill No. 3111, prepared by the Committees, entitled:

**“AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BORN TO PARENTS WHO ARE
BELOW MARRYING AGE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE FAMILY CODE OF THE
PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED”**

be approved in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 337, 604, 890, 1406, 1693 with Senators Estrada, Angara, Cayetano (P.), Revilla Jr., Madrigal, and Escudero as authors.

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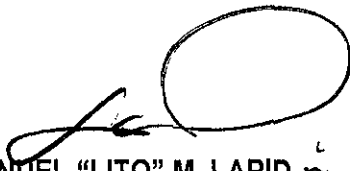
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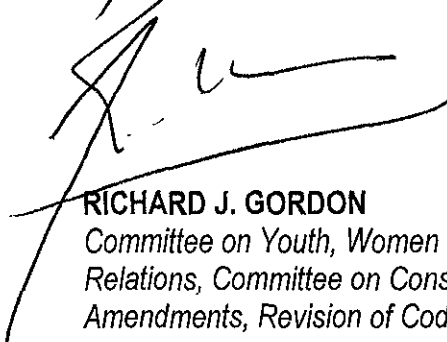
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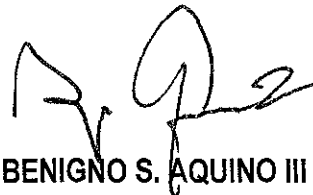
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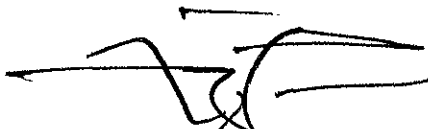
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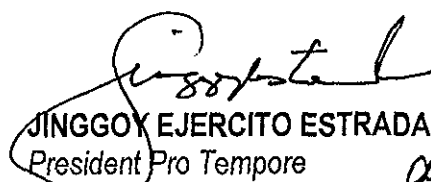
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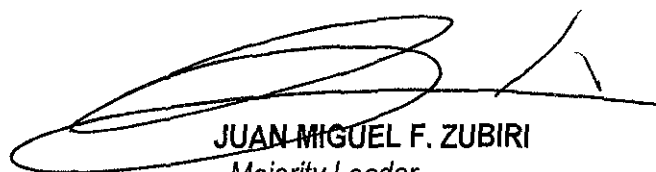



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PARENTS WHO ARE BELOW MARRYING AGE, AMENDING FOR
THE PURPOSE THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES,
AS AMENDED

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

1 **SECTION 1.** Article 177 of Executive Order No. 209, otherwise known as the
2 Family Code of the Philippines, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

3 "Article 177. Only children conceived and born outside of wedlock
4 [of] TO parents who, at the time of the conception of the former, were not
5 disqualified by any impediment to marry each other may be legitimated[.] BY
6 THE PARENTS' VALID SUBSEQUENT MARRIAGE.

7 HOWEVER, CHILDREN CONCEIVED TO PARENTS EITHER OR
8 BOTH OF WHOM ARE BELOW MARRYING AGE AND NOT
9 DISQUALIFIED BY ANY OTHER IMPEDIMENT MAY ALSO BE
10 LEGITIMATED BY THE LATTERS' VALID SUBSEQUENT MARRIAGE.

11 **SECTION 2. *Repealing Clause.*** - All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders,
12 proclamations and/or administrative regulations which are inconsistent with the provisions of
13 this Act are hereby amended, modified, superceded or repealed accordingly.

14 **SECTION 3. *Effectivity Clause.*** -- This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days
15 following its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) news papers of general
16 circulation.

Approved,