

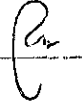
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Section 10 in the Declaration of Principles and State Policies provides that "The State shall provide social justice in all phases of national development." It is our duty to continually keep an ear attuned to the ever-changing needs of each sector of society. We must not be complacent that we have done our part once we have crafted legislation, because we all know that the efficacy of the policies we make are dependent on the society it serves. It is ever changing and dynamic, we must be vigilant in making sure that our laws have successfully adapted and carry its potency to the present times.

Almost all sectors are represented in Congress, except for that of the senior citizens'. There is no specific representative that voices their concerns and grievances. It saddens me that the very people who once ran and headed our society are now reduced to the sidelines, meek and silent as the younger generation takes over the reins. We must show them that we shall continue to look out for their needs and wellbeing. This is why I feel strongly for this bill, it seems that we have forgotten the plight of our aged citizens. It has been nineteen years since the Senior's Act was passed into law and I believe it is about time to revisit the law in order to accommodate citizens that are 55 years old to benefit from the provisions of this act.

It is for these reasons that I urge my fellow legislators to work with me for the immediate passage of this bill.


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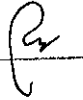
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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in
Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. Under Section 4 of RA 7432 otherwise known as AN ACT TO MAXIMIZE
THE CONTRIBUTION OF SENIOR CITIZENS TO NATION BUILDING, GRANT
BENEFITS AND SPECIAL PRIVILEGES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, is hereby
amended as follows:

Sec. 4. Privileges for the Senior Citizens. — The senior citizens shall be
entitled to the following:

(a) the grant of **ten percent (10%) discount for senior citizens aged fifty-five
years old and twenty percent (20%) discount for senior citizens aged 60 and
above**, from all establishments relative to utilization of transportation services,
hotels and similar lodging establishment, restaurants and recreation centers
and purchase of medicine and medical tests including but not limited to
**Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Computerized Tomography (CT)
scan, X-ray scan, complete blood work-up, etc.** anywhere in the country;
Provided, That private establishments may claim the cost as tax credit;

(b) a minimum of **ten percent (10%) discount for senior citizens aged fifty-
five years old and twenty percent (20%) discount for senior citizens aged 60
and above**, on admission fees charged by theaters, cinema houses and
concert halls, circuses, carnivals and other similar places of culture, leisure, and
amusement;

SEC. 2. Repealing Clause. — All provisions of laws, orders, decrees, including rules
and regulations inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed and/or modified accordingly.

SEC. 3 Separability Clause. — If any part or provision of this Act shall be held to be
unconstitutional or invalid, other provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall
continue to be in full force and effect.

SEC. 4. Effectivity. — This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its
publication in one (1) national newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,