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Introduced by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV

EXPLANATORY NOTE

In light of the policy of the State to maintain and establish an education system relevant to the needs of the people, this bill establishes a printing office under the direction of the Department of Education, which shall produce, print, and distribute original materials for public schools. It, further, prioritizes the production of materials for grade schools.

Through this bill, the government will have a uniform system of producing materials which are relevant and according to the needs of our schools, further, saving our government resources. It shall also spare our public schools from using textbooks and other materials which are unnecessary and riddled with errors since the development of materials should be consulted with school officials, teachers, and parents.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING AN EDUCATION PRINTING OFFICE

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

1 **SECTION 1. *Short Title.*** - This Act shall be known as the "*Education Printing Office*
2 *Act of 2013.*"

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4 **SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.*** - It is hereby declared the policy of the State to maintain
5 and establish an integrated system of education that is relevant and useful to the needs of public
6 elementary and high school students.

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8 **SEC. 3. *Education Printing Office.*** - The Department of Education shall establish a
9 printing office. The printing office may:

10 a) produce, print, and distribute original materials that support and enhance the
11 instruction of the core curriculum in public schools, including workbooks, worksheets
12 and textbooks;

13 b) contract to print and distribute materials that a school district, charter school, or private
14 source has produced;

15 c) charge public schools the reasonable costs of distributed materials; and

1 d) seek input from school districts, charter schools, educators, and parents regarding the
2 development of materials.

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4 **SEC. 4. *Priorities of the Printing Office.*** – The printing office shall give the priority of
5 producing materials for kindergarten through grade three. The second priority of the printing
6 office shall be the production of materials for grades four through six.

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8 **SEC. 5. *Appropriation.*** - The funds needed for this purpose shall be taken from the
9 appropriations of the Department of Education. Thereafter, such amount necessary for the
10 implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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12 **SEC. 6. *Separability Clause.*** – If any provision of this Act shall at any time be found to
13 be unconstitutional or invalid, the remainder thereof not affected by such declaration shall
14 remain in full force and effect.

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16 **SEC. 7. *Repealing Clause.*** – All laws, decrees, rules or regulations inconsistent with the
17 provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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19 **SEC. 8. *Effectivity Clause.*** – This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following
20 its complete publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,