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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 189			
Submitted by the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development on, 2017.			
Re: Senate Bill No. 1299			
Recommending its approval without amendment			
Sponsor: Senator Joel Villanueva			
MR. PRESIDENT:			

The Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development to which was referred Senate Bill No. 1299, introduced by Senator Joel Villanueva, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING THAT 100% OF THE SERVICE CHARGE COLLECTED IN HOTELS AND OTHER ESTABLISHMENTS BE DISTRIBUTED TO ALL COVERED EMPLOYEES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

has considered the same and has the honor to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be approved without amendment."

Respectfully submitted:

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AN ACT
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Currently, Article 96 of the Labor Code provides that employees are entitled to only 85% of the service charge paid by customers in hotels, restaurants and similar establishments. This bill seeks to address the concerns of the workers in these industries to distribute 100% of the service charge collected among the covered employees.

This bill also seeks to echo the call in other parts of the world. For example, in the Union Kingdom, a survey conducted by the labor organization *Unite* revealed that approximately 90% of those who participated in the survey supports a bill that give staff 100% ownership rights over their hard earned tips.

This bill is also in line with the provisions of Article II, Section 18 of the Philippine Constitution, which provides that the State shall protect the rights of workers and promote their welfare.

The immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

SENATOR JOEL VILLANUEVA



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

Section 1. Article 96 of the Labor Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

ART. 96. Service Charges. - All service charges collected by hotels, restaurants and similar establishments shall be distributed [at the rate of eighty-five percent (85%) for all covered employees and fifteen percent (15%) for management. The share of the employees shall be] COMPLETELY AND equally [distributed] among [them] THE COVERED EMPLOYEES. In case the service charge is abolished, the share of the covered employees shall be considered integrated in their wages.

Section 2. Nothing in this Act shall be construed as to diminish existing benefits under present laws, company policies and collective bargaining agreements.

Section 3. All laws, executive orders, proclamations, presidential decrees, rules and regulations and other issuances, or parts thereof, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly. Section 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) national newspapers of

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