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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article II, Section 16 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides:

"The State shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature."

Sustainable packaging also known as Green packaging is created in an environmentally aware manner using biodegradable and recyclable materials which produces less pollution and promotes fuel efficiency

Consumer packaging made of new biodegradable plastics from renewable resources have numerous environmental and efficiency advantages over nonbiodegradable products since the material will easily break down into the soil. On the other hand, recyclable packaging is made of materials that can be used again after processing.

The proposed bill seeks to mandate the use of biodegradable and recyclable materials in the consumer goods manufacturing process in order to conserve and preserve natural resources.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this measure is earnestly sought.

  
MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY  
Senator



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*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 “Green Packaging  
2 Act of 2019.”

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4           Sec. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – It is hereby declared the policy of the State  
5 to ensure conservation and preservation of our natural environment. The use of  
6 recyclable and biodegradable materials is hereby mandated in the manufacturing  
7 process of consumer goods.

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9           Sec. 3. *Definition of Terms.* – As used in this Act, the following terms shall  
10 be defined as follows:

11           (A) “Biodegradable” – shall mean the quality of being organically  
12           assimilated in the natural setting;

13           (B) “Consumer goods” – shall refer to items for sale manufactured  
14           in high-volume for a mass market;

15           (C) “Recyclable” – shall mean the quality of material which makes  
16           it useful to be used again in any manufacturing process; and

1 (D) "Sustainable Packaging" – shall refer to the use of  
2 biodegradable and recyclable materials for the packaging of  
3 goods.  
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5 Sec. 4. *Incentive.* – Any business or non-business entity which shall  
6 undertake the effort of sustainable packaging through the use of recyclable and  
7 biodegradable materials for the packaging of consumer goods shall enjoy a tax  
8 deductibility privilege on its income tax to the extent of the proven cost of the  
9 recyclable or biodegradable material on its production process.  
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11 Sec. 5. *Implementing Rules and Regulation.* – The Secretary of the  
12 Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall promulgate the  
13 necessary implementing rules and regulations within sixty (60) days from the  
14 effectivity of this Act.  
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16 Sec. 6. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, orders, letters of instruction,  
17 rules and regulation or this at hereby deemed modified, repealed or amended.  
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19 Sec. 7. *Separability Clause.* – If any provisions of this Act or the  
20 application of such provision to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any  
21 reason, the remainder of this Act or the application of such provision to other  
22 persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.  
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24 Sec. 8. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days  
25 after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of  
26 general circulation.

Approved,