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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 19

Submitted by the Committee on Public Order and on NOV - 6 2019 . Dangerous Drugs

Re: Senate Bill No. 1155

Recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 275 and 1023.

Sponsor: Ronald "Bato" Dela Rosa

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs to which was referred Senate Bill No. 275, introduced by Senator Ralph G. Recto, entitled:

"AN ACT

AN ACT FIXING THE VALIDITY PERIOD OF THE LICENSE TO OWN AND POSSESS, PERMIT TO CARRY OUTSIDE OF RESIDENCE OR PLACE OF BUSINESS AND REGISTRATION OF FIREARMS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 7 AND 19 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10591, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'COMPREHENSIVE FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION **REGULATION ACT'"**

and Senate Bill No. 1023, introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri, entitled:

"AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 19 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10591 OR THE COMPREHENSIVE FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION REGULATION ACT"

has considered the same and has the honor to report them back to the Senate with the recommendation than the attached Senate Bill No. $\underline{1155}$, prepared by the Committee, entitled:

"AN ACT

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be approved in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 275 and 1023, with Senators Recto, Zubiri, and Dela Rosa, as authors thereof.

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s. No. 1155

(In substitution of Senate Bills Nos. 275 and 1023)

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AN ACT

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

SECTION 1. Section 7 of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 10591 is hereby amended 1 to read as follows: 2

> "SEC. 7. Carrying of Firearms Outside of Residence or Place of Business. - A permit to carry firearms shall be issued by the Chief of the PNP or his/her duly authorized representative to any qualified person whose life is under actual threat or his/her life is in imminent danger due to the nature of his/her profession, occupation or business. PROVIDED, THAT SUCH PERMIT SHALL BE VALID FOR TWO (2) YEARS FROM THE DATE OF

THE APPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION, UNLESS SOONER 1 **REVOKED OR SUSPENDED.** 2 It shall be the burden of the applicant to prove that his/her 3 life is under actual threat by submitting a threat assessment 4 certificate from the PNP. 5 For purposes of this Act, the following professionals are 6 7 considered to be in imminent danger due to the nature of their profession, occupation or business: 9 (a) Members of the Philippine Bar; 10 (b) Certified Public Accountants: 11 (c) Accredited Media Practitioners; 12 (d) Cashiers, Bank Tellers; (e) Priests, Ministers, Rabbi, Imams; 13 14 (f) Physicians and Nurses; 15 (g) Engineers; and (h) Businessmen, who by the nature of their business or 16 17 undertaking, are exposed to high risk of being targets of criminal elements. 18 SEC. 2. Section 19 of R.A. No. 10591 is hereby amended to read as follows: 19 20 "SEC. 19. Renewal of Licenses and Registration. – All types of licenses to possess a firearm shall be renewed every [two (2)] 21 FIVE (5) years RECKONED FROM THE BIRTHDATE OF THE 22 23 LICENSEE, UNLESS SOONER REVOKED OR SUSPENDED.

Failure to renew the license on or before the date of its expiration

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shall cause the revocation of the license and of the registration of the firearm/s under said license.

The registration of firearm shall be renewed every [four (4)] FIVE (5) years RECKONED FROM THE BIRTHDATE OF THE LICENSEE. Failure to renew the registration shall cause the holder of the firearm on or before the date of the expiration shall cause the revocation of the license of the firearm. The said firearm shall be confiscated or forfeited in favor of the government after due process.

The failure to renew a license or registration within the periods stated above on two (2) occasions shall cause the holder of the firearm to be perpetually disqualified from applying for any firearm license. The application for the renewal of the license or registration may be submitted to the FEO of the PNP, within six (6) months before the date of the expiration of such license or registration.

SEC. 3. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Chief of the PNP shall formulate the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SEC. 4. *Separability Clause.* – If any part, section or provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the sections or provisions which are not affected shall remain valid and subsisting.

- SEC. 5. Repealing Clause. All laws, decrees, ordinances, rules,
- 2 regulations, other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Act are
- 3 hereby repealed or modified accordingly.
- SEC. 6. Effectivity Clause. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days
- after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general
- 6 circulation.

Approved,