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H. No. 8461

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2 **AN ACT**

3 **GRANTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES THE POWER TO**
4 **SUSPEND THE SCHEDULED INCREASE IN PHILHEALTH PREMIUM RATES,**
5 **AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11223, OTHERWISE**
6 **KNOWN AS THE "UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE ACT"**

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

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11 **SECTION 1.** Section 10 of Republic Act No. 11223, otherwise known as the "Universal
12 Health Care Act" is hereby amended to read as follows:

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14 "Section 10. Premium Contributions. – For direct contributors, premium rates shall be
15 in accordance with the following schedule, and monthly income floor and ceiling:

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19 **IN TIMES OF NATIONAL EMERGENCIES WHEN PUBLIC INTEREST SO**
20 **REQUIRES, THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES, IN CONSULTATION**
21 **WITH THE SECRETARY OF FINANCE AND THE SECRETARY OF**

1 **HEALTH AS CHAIRPERSON OF PHILHEALTH, MAY SUSPEND THE**
2 **IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SCHEDULED INCREASE IN PREMIUM**
3 **RATES PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION. SUBSEQUENT SCHEDULED**
4 **INCREASES IN CONTRIBUTIONS SHALL BE ADJUSTED TO FALL ON**
5 **THE YEARS FOLLOWING THE LIFTING OF THE SUSPENSION.”**
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7 **SEC. 2.** Within thirty (30) days after the effectivity of this Act, the PhilHealth, in
8 consultation with the Department of Finance, shall issue the necessary rules and regulations
9 for its effective implementation.

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11 **SEC. 3.** All laws, acts, presidential decrees, executive orders, administrative orders, rules
12 and regulations, ordinances, other issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are
13 hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

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15 **SEC. 4.** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
16 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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18 *Approved,*
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