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Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Driving under the influence of liquor and/or prohibited drugs is the cause of a great percentage of road accidents. Yet, there is no national law defining and punishing as a crime the act of driving while under the influence of liquor and/or prohibited drugs. Only cities and some first class municipalities have individual ordinances penalizing drunk driving but their penalties are only minimal.

With the modern highways and expressways we have in our country today and the laxity of the Land Transportation Office in granting licenses to drive motor vehicles, it is necessary that there must be a national law punishing the act of driving under the influence of liquor and/or prohibited drugs to protect other law-abiding motorists and users of public passages.^{*}

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1 2 3 4	AN ACT DEFINING AS A CRIME THE ACT OF DRIVING A MOTOR VEHICLE WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF LIQUOR AND/OR PROHIBITED DRUGS AND PROVIDING GRADUATED PENALTIES THEREFOR		
5 6	Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:		
7	SECTION 1. Short Title. – This Act shall be known as	the "Anti-Drunk Driving Act of	
8	2007."		
9	SECTION 2. Prohibited Act It shall be unlawful for any person to operate and drive		
10	any motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor and/or prohibited drugs.		
11	SECTION 3. Penalties. – Any person found guilty of violating the provisions of this Act		
12	shall be sentenced to suffer any of the following penalties:		
13	(A) For the first offense, a fine of One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) and suspension of his		
14	license to drive for one (1) year.		
15	(B) For the second offense and all subsequent offenses, a fine of Five Thousand Pesos		
16	(P5,000.00) and the revocation of his license to drive for five (5) years; Provided, that if during		
17	the period that the offender's license to drive was suspended or revoked, he commits the same		
18	offense again, and, in addition to the penalty specified in this paragraph, he/she will be sentenced		
19	to one (1) to five (5) years imprisonment.		
20	SECTION 4. Promulgation of Rules and Regula	tions. – The Department of	
21	Transportation and Communication (DOTC) in cooperation	with the Metropolitan Manila	
22	Development Authority (MMDA) and the Department of Health (DOH), shall promulgate rules		

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and regulations to implement the provisions of this Act, which shall include but shall not be
confined to the following:

- 3 (A) The level of alcohol and/or drug content on a person's blood or breath to be 4 considered as intoxicating;
- 5 (B) The procedures for apprehension;
- 6 (C) The necessary gadgets or test instruments to be used; and
- 7 (D) The procedures for testing.

8 SECTION 5. Separability Clause. – If any provision or part hereof is held invalid or 9 unconstitutional, the reminder of the law of the provision not otherwise affected shall remain 10 valid and subsisting.

11 SECTION 6. *Repealing Clause*. – Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive 12 order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule or regulation contrary to, or inconsistent 13 with, the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

SECTION 7. *Effectivity Clause*. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
 publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

16 Approved,