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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Our nation's strength lies in the well being of its people, the elderly included. With this in mind, Republic Act No. 7432, otherwise known as the Senior Citizens Act, was enacted to establish mechanisms to provide incentives and assistance to our growing population of senior citizens.

This proposed measure seeks to further enhance the laudable provisions of this law by amending Section 4, Paragraph (a) thereof by including gasoline, kerosene, and other petroleum product in the list of goods where senior citizens may avail of the twenty percent (20%) discount. As a consequence of the proposal, Section 10 of the said law shall also be amended by mandating therein that the Department of Energy (DOE) shall issue the necessary rules and regulations relative to the discount on gasoline and other petroleum products.

In this times of economic hardship where the vulnerable sectors and the elderly are mostly affected, it is the responsibility of the State to provide mechanisms that will address the needs and concerns especially of the senior citizens.

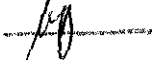
In view of the foregoing, the early passage of this bill is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT
GRANTING ALL QUALIFIED SENIOR CITIZENS TWENTY PERCENT
(20%) DISCOUNT ON GASOLINE, KEROSENE, LIQUEFIED
PETROLEUM GAS (LPG) AND OTHER PETROLEUM PRODUCTS,
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 4 AND 10 OF REPUBLIC
ACT NO. 7432, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. Section 4 of Republic Act No. 7432 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 4. *Privileges for the Senior Citizens.* – The senior citizens shall be entitled to the following:

a) the grant of twenty percent (20%) discount from all establishments relative to utilization of transportation services, hotels and similar lodging establishments, restaurants and recreation centers and purchase of medicine, **GASOLINE, KEROSENE AND OTHER PETROLEUM PRODUCTS** anywhere in the country: *Provided, That private establishments may claim the cost as tax credit."*

SEC. 2. Section 10 of Republic Act No. 7432 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 10. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The Secretary of Social Welfare and Development, jointly with the Department of Finance, the Department of Tourism, the

Department of Health, the Department of Transportation and Communication, the Department of Interior and Local Government **AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY** shall issue necessary rules and regulations to carry out the objectives of this Act.”

SEC. 3. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof not consistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 4. *Separability Clause.* – If any provision or part of this Act, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held unconstitutional or invalid, the remainder of this Act shall not be affected thereby.

SEC. 5. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days from the date of its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,