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S. No. 422

Introduced by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to grant a reward of incentive to any person who can give vital information relative to the violation of the provisions of Republic Act No. 1379, otherwise known as the "Act Declaring Forfeiture in Favor of the State Any Property Found to Have Been Unlawfully Acquired by Any Public Officer or Employee and Providing for the Procedure Therefor" and / or Republic Act No. 7080, otherwise known as the "Act Defining and Penalizing the Crime of Plunder."

In the said bill, the informer, who gives vital information supported by competent evidence which accounts for or materially aids in the recovery or forfeiture of ill-gotten wealth as defined under the aforecited laws shall be entitled to a reward of twenty-five per centum (25%) of the total value of the property actually recovered.

The proposed reward is envisioned to serve as an effective tool to encourage the people to participate in the Government's effort of recovering ill-gotten wealth from erring public officials and employees.

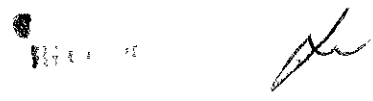
In addition, this reward system will also become an effective deterrent to would-be violators of the said laws.

Passage of this bill therefore is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR A GRANT OF REWARD TO INFORMERS OF VIOLATIONS OF
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7080 AND/OR REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1379 AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES

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

1 **SECTION 1. *Grant of Reward.*** -Any person, who voluntarily gives vital information
2 supported by competent evidence not yet in possession of any government investigating agency,
3 concerning ill-gotten wealth of any public official or employee, which materially accounted for
4 or aided in the recovery of the said property in favor of the State and/or the conviction of the
5 guilty party in accordance with the provisions of Republic Act No. 7080 and/or Republic Act
6 No. 1379, shall be entitled to a reward equivalent to twenty-five percentum (25%) of the value of
7 the ill-gotten wealth actually collected or recovered.

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9 **SEC. 2. *Determination of the Value of the Award.*** - The award shall be based on the
10 value of the property actually recovered due to the vital information furnished by the awardee.

11 If the properties recovered consist in real or personal properties, the same may be sold in
12 a public auction or their value appraised by the Commission on Audit.

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14 **SEC. 3. *Sharing of Reward by a Number of Informers.*** - If the vital information was
15 given by several persons, they shall be entitled to the reward in equal shares.

1 **SEC. 4. *Implementation.*** - The applications for the grant of the award under this Act
2 shall be addressed to and decided by a Committee composed of the Ombudsman, as Chairman,
3 and the Solicitor General and the Secretary of Justice, as members.

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5 **SEC. 5. *Effectivity.*** - This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its
6 publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,