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House Bill No. 4522



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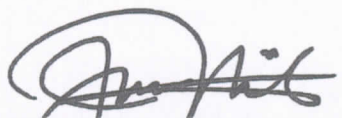
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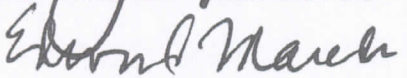
As a manifestation of support to this timely piece of legislation, this representation respectfully refiles this bill, which has constantly been receiving support from the past congress.

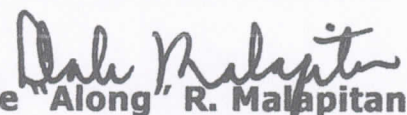
History, as a subject, offers an opportunity to not only retell past events that had major impact on the country's development and culture. It also serves as a means to provide perspective on present problems and, in a way, a guide for future generations to avoid the mistakes of the past. Hence, it is important to teach history with great faithfulness to facts and figures. However, the current state of history books being used in the country proves to be a hindrance in achieving this goal. The history books being used are replete with inaccuracies and omissions which result to historical revisionism or distortion.

This bill aims to rectify historical inaccuracies to prevent them from being passed on as facts.

In view of the foregoing, immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT RECTIFYING ERRORS STATED IN HISTORY TEXT BOOKS BEING USED IN SCHOOLS

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

SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "Anti-Historical Revisionism Act of 2019"

SECTION 2. The Constitution provides that the State shall foster the preservation, enrichment and dynamic evolution of a Filipino national culture based on the principle of unity in diversity in a climate of free artistic and intellectual expression.

The State shall also encourage and support researches and studies on the arts and the culture.

SECTION 3. The Commission on Higher Education (CHED) in coordination with the Department of Education (DepEd), the National Commission on Culture and the Arts (NCCA) and the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP), shall organize a convention of History Professors in the Philippines, provided that every State University and College is represented by at least one history professor, and that all professors, whether teaching in public or private schools, with scholarly outputs relating to historical revisionism shall be invited to the said conference, for the purpose only of rectifying errors stated in history books for all levels.

During the said conference, all the participants will be given the chance to present and make of record their contribution to the subject matter. At the end of the conference, all the relevant points shall be summarized, including those matters wherein there are conflicting versions. The output of the conference shall be submitted to the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) and shall be used to correct textbooks being used in our school system.

SECTION 4. The CHED, in coordination with the DepEd as well as the NCCA and the NHCP shall be tasked to draft the implementing guidelines of this Act.

SECTION 5. An initial amount of Twenty Million Pesos (P20,000,000.00) necessary for the implementation of this act shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act upon the effectivity of this Act.

SECTION 6. If any provision hereof is held invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of the law or provision not otherwise affected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 7. All laws, presidential decrees. Executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,