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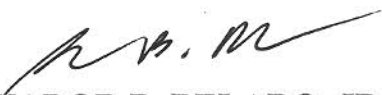
Introduced by Representative Salvador B. Belaro, Jr.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Act seeks to recognize the sacrifices, dedication and contribution of retired teachers all over the country, by giving them priority in the availment of government services and public utilities.

A society that looks back is a society that cares. In the case of our retired teachers who have devoted the best years of their lives to the teaching profession, it is imperative that the State provide them with special care and attention during their twilight years.

Such priority will serve as an additional incentive to current teachers, to whom we as a nation has delegated the responsibility of educating our citizens, to do their best in carrying out their tasks, as it will show them that they can still count on our government in the years ahead.


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AN ACT
GIVING PRIORITY TO RETIRED TEACHERS IN THE AVAILMENT
OF GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND PUBLIC UTILITIES

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

SECTION 1. *Short Title.* This Act shall be known as the “Retired Teachers Act of 2016.”

SEC. 2. *Scope.* This program applies to all retired teachers in government and private educational institutions.

SEC. 3. All government offices and agencies as well as public utilities are mandated to prioritize attendance to the concerns of retired teachers. Where such concerns involve the availment of the services of such offices, agencies, and public utilities, the said entities are furthermore mandated to establish a priority lane that will give preferential treatment to retired teachers, without prejudice to the privileges provided by R.A.9994 or the “Expanded Senior Citizen’s Act of 2010”.

Sec. 4. The Department of Education (DepEd) shall be tasked with formulating and issuing the implementing rules and regulations for this Act.

SEC. 5. The funds necessary to carry out the provision of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriation Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

SEC. 6. All laws, orders, issuances rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with any provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved.