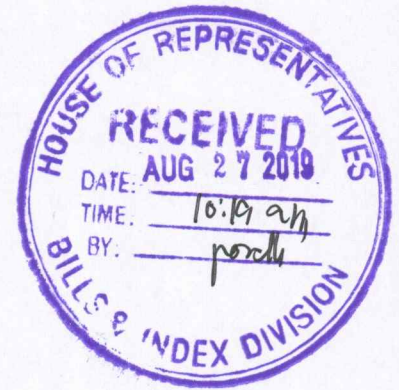


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HOUSE BILL NO. 4163



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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to ensure the safety of passengers when the public transport vehicle they are riding is apprehended, towed and/or impounded, by mandating that the public transport driver first bring their passengers to a safe place with easy access to other public transportation.

It is a common practice that once a public transportation driver is apprehended, all passengers are required to go down immediately without any regard for their safety. Passengers are usually exposed to danger of being stranded or deserted with no available public transportation.

In this bill, when a public transportation is flagged for road or vehicular, the driver will be required to bring the vehicle to a secured location where other public transportation is easily available.

Hence, approval of this bill is highly recommended.


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

SECTION 1. This bill shall be known as the “Public Safety Act of 2019”

SEC. 2. All public transportation drivers’, who have been apprehended, are hereby mandated to bring their passengers to a safe place where there is easy access to public transportation before their vehicle is impounded.

SEC. 3. Any person in authority or apprehending officer who arrests a public transportation driver due to traffic violation shall allow the latter to bring his passengers to a safe place with easy access to public transportation.

SEC. 4. Any person who shall willfully violate any of the provisions of this Act shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not less than TEN THOUSAND PESOS (P10,000.00) or imprisonment of not more than six (6) months and one day, or both at the discretion of the court.

The court may also impose additional penalty of suspension from office for the first offense and disqualification from office for the succeeding offense.

SEC. 5. If any provision of this Act is declared invalid, the remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby shall remain in force and effect.

SEC. 6. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders and their implementing rules, inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation

Approved,