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House Bill No. 153

Introduced by: Hon. Arnolfo 'Arnie' A. Teves, Jr.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SECTION 3, RA 10054, OTHERWISE KNOWN
AS AN ACT MANDATING ALL MOTORCYCLE RIDERS TO WEAR
STANDARD PROTECTIVE MOTORCYCLE HELMETS WHILE DRIVING
AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to amend the mandatory provision of Section 3, RA 10054 to better conform with the peculiar and uncharacteristic traffic situations and business locations in the different cities and municipalities around the country.

Taking into account existing legislation on speed limits, undersigned suggests that in boulevards, city and municipal streets and crowded streets with speed limits no faster than 40kph, the use of standard protective motorcycle helmets be deemed *optional* and not mandatory.

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


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

SECTION 1. Section 3 of Republic Act No. 10054, otherwise known as the
*"An Act Mandating All Motorcycle Riders to Wear Standard Protective Motorcycle
Helmets While Driving and Providing Penalties Therefor"* is hereby amended to read
as follows:

*"Mandatory and Optional Use of Helmets. – All motorcycle riders,
including drivers and back riders, shall wear standard protective
motorcycle helmets while driving whether long or short drives in
expressways or open country roads. However, in boulevards, city or
municipal streets, or crowded streets where the maximum allowable
speed is 40kph, wearing of standard protective motorcycle helmets is
optional.*

*"Standard protective motorcycle helmets are appropriate types of
helmets for motorcycle riders that comply with the specification issued by
the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI).*

*"The DTI shall issue guidelines, which should include the
specifications regarding standard protective motorcycle helmets."*

SEC. 2. All laws, decrees, orders, rules, ordinance, and regulations or parts
thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or
modified accordingly.

SEC. 3. *Separability Clause.* – Should any provision of this Act be declared invalid, the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and subsisting.

SEC. 4. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. *Transitory Provision; Applicability to Pending Cases.* – For cases pending before the courts upon the effectivity of this Act where trial has already started, the courts hearing such cases shall not lose jurisdiction over the same by virtue of this Act.

SEC. 6. *Effectivity.* This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following the completion of its publication in the Official Gazette or in any two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.