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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Education should not be viewed as an end in itself but as a means to uplift a person economically and socially.

In the context of millions of impoverished Filipino families, education can only be a means to do so if at least one member of the family would be assisted by the State to get an education that would be a means to uplift the student firstly, and which would also redound to the benefit of his family.

This Act seeks to establish a scholarship program which will give a scholarship grant to at least one member of every Filipino family so that said scholar will in turn, help his family members get out from the morass of poverty.


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AN ACT
GRANTING A SCHOLAR FOR EVERY FILIPINO FAMILY

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 “Filipino Family Savior Scholarship Act of 2016”.

SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy. The State shall give priority to education, and at the same time recognizes the sanctity of family life and shall protect and strengthen the family.

SEC. 3. A scholarship program is hereby established which will grant a scholarship to at least one member of a qualified Filipino family. Such scholarship shall be either for an appropriate college course or a training for a technical and/or vocational skill provided that the scholarship or grant has the potential of uplifting the economic and social life of the scholar upon the time of grant, and the scholar commits to, in turn, help his family after graduation. The scholarship grant shall cover all the school expenses of the scholar plus reasonable lodging expenses, if necessary, and shall not be dependent on the academic performance of the scholar but on his financial need provided that the scholar gets a passing mark for all his subjects.

SEC.4. The Commission on Higher Education (CHED), Technical Skills and Development Authority (TESDA) and Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) are hereby jointly mandated to formulate the rules and regulations of 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. Separability Clause. If any provision or part hereof is held invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of the law or provision not otherwise affected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SEC. 7. Repealing Clause. 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. 8. Effectivity Clause. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.