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Introduced by Representative Salvador B. Belaro Jr.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to provide insurance coverage to teachers and students while in the school premises.

Cognate to the importance which the State accords to education should be legislative concern upon the safety of our teachers and their students. Our teachers, many of whom take public transportation to and from work, are exposed to the risk of accidents on a daily basis. As they have the task of educating our children, it is only but proper that their safety be attended to.

In the same manner, their students must likewise be taken cared of by providing them basic insurance coverage.

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AN ACT PROVIDING ACCIDENT INSURANCE TO TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

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 "Teachers and Students Insurance Act of 2016.."

- SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy. a) The State recognizes the indispensable role of teachers in educating our citizenry. It is thus but fitting that the State ensure that the teaching profession attract the best and the brightest by making teachers' compensation and benefits reasonably competitive.
- b) In this regard, it is essential that the financial security of the teaching profession be secured by contemporary and available means such as the provision to them of accident insurance.
- c) Cognate to the State's giving importance to the education of our citizenry is the ancillary to provide protection to teachers and students while in the school premises which can be done through giving teachers and student accident insurance.

- SEC. 3. The State shall provide basic accident group insurance to teachers in public schools as well as to students while in the school premises. Private schools shall likewise be required to provide basic accident group insurance to their teachers and their students while in the school premises. No private school shall be allowed to operate or continue to operate without securing such accident insurance.
- SEC. 4. The Department of Education (DepEd), Commission on Higher Education (CHED) and the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) shall be tasked to formulate and issue the rules and regulations that are necessary to implement the provisions 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. 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.