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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This piece of legislation seeks to institutionalize the First 1000 Days Intervention Package under the Universal Health Care Program and appropriating funds therefore. The National Budget allocates P3.5 billion to this program to give each child a chance to survive his or her three years of life through better health.

This bill shall be known as "The Child Health Intervention Act of 2016'.

Traditional Vaccines (Routine Immunization) such as BCG, DPT, Oral Polio Vaccines, Measles, Tetanus Toxoid and Hepatitis B given to all infants 0-11 months nationwide by the state health centers as part of the National Immunization Program of the DOH is inadequate to safeguard the health and well being of our children thus, creating a degenerating population.

The World Health Organization (WHO) recommends that Hemophilus influenza Type B (Hib) vaccine be included in the national immunization program. It is expected to prevent 4% of global deaths of under five children. Introduction will have added benefit of preventing the occurrence of H. influenza meningitis and other invasive Hib diseases and approximately 30% of all pneumonia. Another equally important vaccine is Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR).

The National Center for Disease Prevention and Control concurred with the recommendation of the WHO and is lobbying for the inclusion of the new vaccines and implementation of the Expanded Program of Immunizations.

More so, it is the policy of the State to protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them. Likewise, the State values the dignity of every human person and guarantees full respect for human rights.

Hence, approval of this legislation is earnestly sought.

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#### AN ACT

INSTITUTIONALIZING THE FIRST 1,000 DAYS INTERVENTION PACKAGE UNDER THE UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

Section 1. This Act shall be known as 'The Child Health Intervention Act of 2016.'

- Sec.2. Coverage. All newborns ages 0-3 years of age regardless of birth delivery.
- **Sec.3.** Comprehensive Coverage For purposes of this section, the comprehensive coverage for childhood immunization shall cover the new vaccines in accordance with the most recent recommendation of the DOH for each child age 0 to 3 years old.
- **Sec.4. Funding.** The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be charged against the appropriations authorized for the said purpose.
- Sec.5. Coordination of Administration; Lead Implementing Agency- The DOH shall be the lead implementing agency under the provisions of this Act. Coordination of policies relating to the implementation shall be through Secretaries of agencies concerned in order to expedite requirements and coordinate implementation thus, avoid duplication of implementation efforts and assigns priorities in implementation.
- **Sec. 6.** Implementing Rules and Regulations. The Department of Health (DOH), Philippine Information Agency (PIA), Department of Budget and Management (DBM) other appropriate government agencies shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the effective implementation of this Act.
  - Sec .7. Effectivity This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved.