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GONZALEZ, TAMBUNTING, GATCHALIAN, FORTUN AND  
PRIMICIAS-AGABAS,

AN ACT GRANTING THE OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS  
THE RIGHT TO EQUAL PROTECTION ON MONEY  
CLAIMS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE  
FIFTH PARAGRAPH OF SECTION 10 OF REPUBLIC  
ACT NO. 8042, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT  
NO. 10022

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

SECTION 1. The fifth paragraph of Section 10 of Republic Act  
No. 8042, otherwise known as the "Migrant Workers and Overseas  
Filipinos Act of 1995", as amended by Republic Act No. 10022, is  
hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 10. *Money Claims.* - x x x

"x x x

"x x x

"x x x

"In case of termination of overseas employment  
without just, valid or authorized cause as defined by law  
or contract, or any unauthorized deductions from the  
migrant worker's salary, the worker shall be entitled to  
the full reimbursement of his placement fee and the  
deductions made with interest at twelve percent (12%)  
*per annum*, plus his salaries for the unexpired portion  
of his employment contract [or for three (3) months for  
every year of the unexpired term, whichever is less].

"x x x."

SEC. 2. All laws, presidential decrees, issuances, executive  
orders, letters of instruction, rules or regulations inconsistent with  
the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified  
accordingly.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after  
its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of  
general circulation.

Approved,

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