Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City

SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS

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HOUSE BILL NO. <u>427</u>0



Introduced by REP. EVELINA G. ESCUDERO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

It is submitted that there is a need to define, as a matter of policy, a primary reference for the design and installation of street and road signs, waiting sheds, speed bumps, sidewalks, pavements and other similar infrastructures.

With the above reference, regulation will set in to promote a uniform and consistent standard not only to maximize road safety and provide reliable instructions but also to advance aesthetics throughout the country's thoroughfares.

The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), as the lead agency to implement the provisions of this bill, will be better equipped with this statutory mandate in the issuances and implementation of its Manuals not only for road signs and pavement markings. Moreover, the specification and measurement standards will be more defined, constant and universal.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is respectfully requested.

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AN ACT

REGULATING STREET AND ROAD SIGNS, WAITING SHEDS, SPEED BUMPS, SIDEWALKS, PAVEMENTS, STREETLIGHTS AND OTHER SIMILAR INFRASTRUCTURES PRESCRIBING THE SPECIFICATION AND MEASUREMENT STANDARDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

- **SECTION 1.** Declaration of State Policy. The State shall promote and advance consistency and uniformity in all its road and street networks to maximize road safety and reliable instructions, and advance beautification.
- SEC. 2. Specification and Measurement Standards. The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) shall set and define the specifications and measurements of all national, provincial, city, municipal and barangay road and street signs, waiting sheds, speed bumps, sidewalks, pavements, streetlights and other similar infrastructures which shall be made uniform and consistent. It shall be in accord with universally accepted designs and installations applicable to the Philippines in terms of strength, reliability and suitability taking into consideration, among others, the availability of road safety devices.
- SEC. 3. *Penalty* Any person who violates the provisions of this Act, specifically the specifications and measurements set pursuant to the immediately preceding Section shall be subjected to a fine not exceeding Php100,000.00.
- SEC. 4. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The DPWH in coordination with the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) shall promulgate the corresponding implementing rules and regulations of this Act within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act.
- SEC. 5. Repealing and Amendatory Clause. All laws, decrees, orders, regulations and policies inconsistent with this Act are hereby accordingly repealed and/or amended.
- SEC. 6. Separability Clause. If any provision or part of this Act is held invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected hereby shall remain valid and subsisting.
- SEC. 7. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation or in the Official Gazette, whichever comes first.

Approved,