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HOUSE BILL NO. 1330



Introduced by: **HON. "KUYA" JOSE ANTONIO R. SY-ALVARADO**

**AN ACT EXTENDING TO FIVE (5) YEARS
THE VALIDITY OF THE PROFESSIONAL IDENTIFICATION CARD
AND CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION
OF EVERY PROFESSIONAL UNDER LAWS GOVERNING THE
PRACTICE OF PROFESSIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to extend the validity of the professionals' ID and certificate of registration under the Professional Regulation Commission from the current period of three years to five years period.

Extending the validity of the professional license and ID card will give more time and opportunity for professionals to serve their countrymen while also reducing the cost of expenses related to the processing of the renewal of the license and ID.

This would also provide every professional to comply with the required number of units needed for their continuing professional development.

Therefore, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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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 "PRC Licenses Effectivity Act."

Section 2. Declaration of Policy. – It is declared policy of the State, as enshrined in the Constitution, to sustain the development of a reservoir of national talents consisting of Filipino scientist, entrepreneurs, professionals, managers, high-level technical manpower and skilled workers and craftsmen in all fields.

Section 3. Validity of Professional Identification Card and Certificate of Registration. – This Act hereby extends to five (5) years:

- a. The validity of the Professional Identification Card issued and renewed by the Professional Regulation Commission, and;
- b. The Certificate of Registration of every professional who meets all the requirements for registration of a professional under the laws governing the practice of professionals in the Philippines.

Section 4. Separability. – If any provision or part of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 5. Repealing Clause. – All laws, executive orders, and administrative orders or parts thereof inconsistent with any provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

Section 6. Effectivity Clause. – This Act shall effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,