

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES)
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House Bill No. 2669

Introduced by **REP. FAUSTINO MICHAEL CARLOS T. DY, III**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

We have been witnesses to the deplorable conduct of public utility agencies, companies or corporations, both public and private, that supply water, light power, gas telephone, and other services, of leaving the road, street, passageway or pathway where an installation maintenance or repair work was done in a very deplorable and dangerous situation. More often than not, the repair or reconstruction takes place many months later and in a haphazard way. In the meantime, the poor residents of the area suffer the inconvenience of using the road, street or passageway in dire need of repair.

This bill seeks to relieve the suffering public by requiring the utility agency, company or corporation to repair or reconstruct the place within seventy-two (72) hours from completion of the work. To ensure compliance thereof, the proposed law requires the Punong Barangay or the barangay secretary to issue a certificate of repair work completion, which will be the basis for any further activities that any public utility companies or enterprise, which may venture out in the same barangay.

The swift passage of this measure is fervently sought.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Faustino Michael Carlos T. Dy, III".

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**AN ACT REQUIRING ALL PUBLIC UTILITY AGENCIES AND
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TO REPAIR ANY DIGGING OR DECONSTRUCTION MADE IN THE
COURSE OF THEIR INSTALLATION OR MAINTENANCE WORK**

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

SECTION 1. Coverage. – This Act shall apply to all public utility agencies and companies or corporations, both public and private, that supply water, light, power, gas, telephone and other services to the public.

SECTION 2. Acts Required. – Any existing law to the contrary notwithstanding, all public agencies, companies or corporations covered by this Act shall, within seventy two (72) hours from completion of any work affecting any road, street, passageway, pathway and similar places, repair or reconstruct the same by restoring it to its status prior to such work. The repair or reconstruction shall be done in the presence of the Punong Barangay concerned or in its absence, the Barangay Secretary, who is hereby required to issue a certificate of repair work completion. A copy of the certificate shall be retained by the Barangay Official for record purposes.

SECTION 3. Penalty. – The manager and official of the public utility agency, company or corporation who have direct supervision in the installation or repair work shall be liable for violation of Section 2 of this Act, and, upon conviction, shall be punished with imprisonment of not less than six (6) months but not more than one (1) year and a fine of not less than Fifty Thousand Pesos (P 50,000.00) but not more than One Hundred Thousand Pesos (P100, 000.00).

SECTION 4. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

APPROVED,