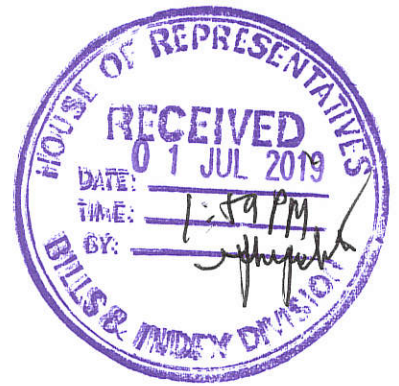


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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

There are twelve metropolitan areas in the Philippines, which are identified by the National Economic Development Authority (NEDA): Metro Manila, Angeles, Bacolod, Baguio, Cagayan de Oro, Cebu, Dagupan, Davao, Iloilo, Naga, and Olangapo. It is in these areas that traffic congestion is prevalent.

A study conducted by the Japan International Cooperation (JICA) has found that the national economy lost 2.4 billion pesos per day in 2012, and is projected to lose up to 6 billion pesos a day by 2030, to traffic congestion in the National Capital Region (NCR) and other urban centers throughout the country. What should take only minutes of travel in public thoroughfares take hours.

While the government bears a large part of the responsibility for the traffic mess in the metropolitan areas, especially in Metro Manila, private car owners who are using our public roads as parking space aggravate the traffic situation. When roads become a parking lot, there will always be longer trip times and increased vehicular queuing. Further, it has been observed that extreme traffic congestions sets in as the number of vehicles that are parked along major thoroughfares increases.

This bill seeks to require a garage or parking space before the purchase of motor vehicles in metropolitan areas to deter the proliferation of vehicles occupying sidewalks or roadsides. In addition to that, this bill also requires the Land Transportation Office to verify the public document submitted by the registrant/purchaser attesting to the existence of the parking facility not only in Metro Manila but also in other metropolitan areas of the country.

Immediate approval of this bill is earnestly requested.

  
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**AN ACT REQUIRING PARKING SPACE FROM MOTOR VEHICLE BUYERS  
IN METROPOLITAN AREAS AS A PRE-REQUISITE FOR THE PURCHASE  
OF A MOTOR VEHICLE AND REGISTRATION WITH THE LAND  
TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO)**

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

**Section 1. *Short Title.*** - This Act shall be known as the “*No Garage, No Car Act of 2019*”.

**Section 2. *Declaration of Policy.*** – Pursuant to the Constitutional Principle that recognizes the right of the people to balanced and healthful ecology and the protection of life and property and the promotion of general welfare, the State shall promulgate measures to lessen traffic congestion, curb the number of private vehicles, provide safe and uncluttered pathways where people may freely walk through to their destinations, and maintain a clean and healthy environment by clearing streets of parked vehicle and other clutter that reduce the space for ongoing human and vehicular traffic.

**Section 3. *Scope and Application; Proof-of-Parking Space or Facility.*** Any person, whether natural or juridical, with residence or business address in metropolitan areas such as, but not limited to Metro Manila, Angeles, Bacolod, Baguio, Batangas, Cagayan de Oro, Cebu, Dagupan, Davao, Iloilo, Naga, and Olongapo, who intends to purchase a motor vehicle, shall be required to execute an affidavit which shall be acknowledged before a notary public, attesting to the availability of a permanent parking space or facility or that a parking space or facility has been leased or procured specifically for the purpose of parking the motor vehicle intended to be bought before the affidavit executed by the prospective buyer of motor vehicles shall be presented to the LTO as a pre-requisite for registration.

**Section 4. *Responsibility of prospective Buyer of Motor Vehicle.*** – No motor vehicle conveyed in the absence of a public document duly attested to by the prospective buyer of a motor vehicle acknowledged before a notary public, that a permanent parking space or facility already exists for the motor vehicle which is subject of the sale. The affiant shall be bound by the claims stated in the document and shall be held liable for untruthful statements made in his affidavit under Articles 171 and 172 of the Revised Penal Code, without prejudice to any other cases that may be filed against such person.

**Section 5. *Role of the Land Transportation Office.*** – The LTO shall make as pre-requisite in the registration of a motor vehicle the submission of the affidavit attesting to the existence of a permanent parking space or facility by the buyer or vendee of the motor vehicle that it has confirmed the existence of a permanent parking space or facility for the motor vehicle to be purchased.

The document must be kept on file and the same shall be produced when there exists a claim or evidence to the contrary that the parking space or facility attested therein does not exist.

**Section 6. *Local Government Units and Citizen Patrol.*** – Any concerned individual may report to the LTO, Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA), the metropolitan coordinating council, or the engineering office of the local government unit (LGU) the existence of motor vehicles which are parked on the streets, alleys or pathways primarily used for pedestrian and motor vehicle traffic.

Authorized personnel of the LTO, MMDA, metropolitan coordinating council, or the LGU engineering office and law enforcement agencies shall conduct periodic ocular inspection for the purpose of strictly implementing the provisions of this Act.

**Section 7. *Penalties.*** – A motor vehicle registration issued to an owner, whether natural or juridical, which has been fraudulently obtained from the LTO by making untrue claims in the public document executed for the purpose of complying with the requirement under Section 3 of this Act indicating that an adequate parking space or facility exists for motor vehicle, shall be revoked and the motor vehicle owner shall be suspended from registering a motor vehicle under his name for a period of three years and imposed a fine in the amount of Fifty Thousand Pesos (P50,000.00) for every violation of the provisions of this Act.

Any officer or employee of the LTO who has allowed the registration of a motor vehicle without the necessary document required under Section 3 of this Act or with knowledge of the falsity of, or failing to further reinvestigate despite having reasonable ground to believe that, the statement in the instrument attesting to the availability of the permanent parking space or facility for the motor vehicle statement is false, shall be suspended from office for a period of three months without pay.

The penalties enumerated herein shall be without prejudice to the liability that may be incurred under the Revised Penal Code and other existing laws.

**Section 8. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.*** – Within 90 days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with the Secretary of the Interior and Local Government, the Chairperson of the MMDA, Chairperson of the Metropolitan council, the agency head of LTO and representatives from the LGUs in Metro Manila and other Metropolitan areas shall promulgate the rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

**Section 9. *Repealing Clause.*** – All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations, or portions thereof, inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**Section 10. *Separability Clause.*** – In the event that any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the validity of other provisions shall not be affected by such declaration.

**Section 12. *Effectivity Clause.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in two newspapers of general circulation.

*Approved,*