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HOUSE BILL NO. 3161



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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Gambling is a non-productive undertaking of a person and is one of the many primary causes of crimes, poverty and broken social relationships. It has permeated all classes in society. It has addicted people and made them less productive in their hope of regaining their lost money and properties and ended up losing again.

Considering our financial difficulties, now is proper time to open our eyes to the continuing incidence of criminality in our country. Broadsheets are abounding with such incidents, each varying in intensity from the other. We have enacted laws, created so many law-enforcing agencies or strengthening existing ones, but crime has never lessened and still dominate life in the rural and urban areas.

There is a need therefore to regulate the operation of casinos for the reason that people still need some recreation to relax a tired and weary body.

Hence, approval of the attached bill is earnestly sought and recommended.

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AN ACT LIMITING THE HOURS OF CASINO OPERATIONS FROM TEN (10) A.M TO TWO (2) A.M, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14 SUBPARAGRAPH 2 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NUMBER 1869.

SECTION 1. Section 14 of Presidential Decree No. 1869 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 14 Subparagraph 2. Time- Gambling activities may be held and conducted (at anytime of the day or night) FROM 10:00 A.M to 2:00 A.M: provided, however that in places where curfew hours are observed, EARLIER THAN 2:00 A.M., all players and personnel of the gambling casinos shall LEAVE THE CASINO PREMISES BEFORE THE CURFEW HOUR.

SECTION 2. Repealing Clause. – All laws, decrees, executive orders, administrative orders, rules or regulations, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 3. Effectivity – This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved,