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EXPLANATORY NOTE

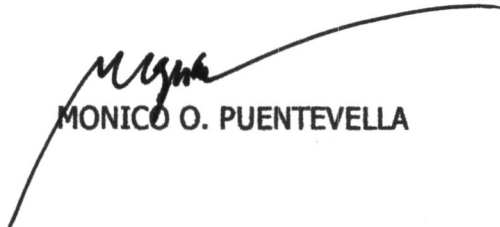
The implementation of the provision in the Clean Air Act of 1999 which requires Mandatory Emission Testing of all public and private vehicles has been met with complaints from vehicle owners over their frustrations and disappointments in the manner by which the law is being implemented.

There have been reports of improper implementation, monopoly, over pricing and cases of graft and corruption continue to persist despite the efforts and recommendation of the DTI Ad-Hoc Evaluation Committee created to investigate this matter.

For as long as these incidents of improprieties continue and not corrected, ordinary Filipino motor vehicle owners and drivers continue to shoulder the burden of paying their hard earned money for an emission testing that is not even reflective of the real intents and purposes of the law.

Empowering the Local Government Units to conduct said emission tests will in a way ensure that the true spirit of the law is followed, moreover, the LGU conducting said tests could offer lower prices but still gain income. Providing said service will also force unscrupulous private emission testing centers to improve their services as well as lessen incidences of over pricing and monopoly.

Thus, the passage of this measure is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT
AMENDING SECTION 21 (b) OF REPUBLIC ACT 8749, OTHERWISE KNOWN
AS THE CLEAN AIR ACT OF 1999, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EMPOWERING
LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO CONDUCT SMOKE EMISSION TESTING

SECTION 1. Section 21 of Republic Act 8749 is hereby amended as follows:

Section 21. x x x x x x x

a.) x x x x x x x x

b.) x x x x x x x x

[1] x x x x x x x

[2] x x x x x x x

[3] x x x x x x x

[4] AUTHORIZE CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES TO PUT UP
EMISSION TESTING CENTERS WITHIN THEIR JURISDICTION,
TO BE MANAGED AND OPERATED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
UNIT CONCERNED

SECTION 2. If any provision or section of this Act is declared unconstitutional or invalid, such portions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with the provision of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved,