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**HOUSE BILL NO. 5215**

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Accidents on the roads caused by motor vehicles of various classes can be prevented especially those of Class C vehicle types like those buses or trucks engaged in passenger service or freight or cargo.

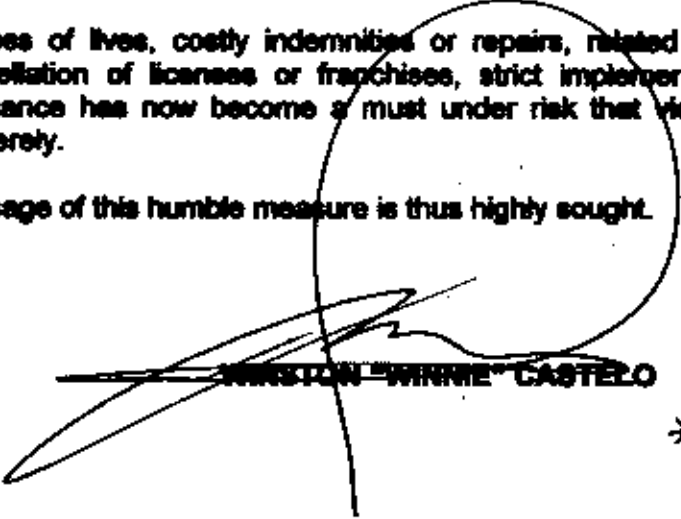
In short, the vehicle itself, depending on its state of maintenance and roadworthiness is the culprit whenever road accidents happen. The common reasons like faulty brakes, faulty steering, tire blow-outs, among others are heard time and oft as the causes.

Let us put an end to accidents to the level that sound vehicle maintenance could guarantee. This means that before an engine conks out, the owner and/or operator should have already located the potential sources of trouble via an honest-to-goodness observance of vehicle preventive maintenance.

Those who ignore this proposed law shall henceforth be made to account as even the most ordinary vehicular accident could readily claim lives that should not have been wasted in the first place.

Thus, to prevent loss of lives, costly indemnities or repairs, related financial losses and possible cancellation of licenses or franchises, strict implementation of vehicle preventive maintenance has now become a must under risk that violation of which will be dealt with severely.

The immediate passage of this humble measure is thus highly sought.

  
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**AN ACT**  
**MANDATING OWNERS AND/OR OPERATORS IN FREIGHT AND PASSENGER**  
**SERVICE TO CONDUCT PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE OF THEIR MOTOR**  
**VEHICLES IN ACCORDANCE WITH PRESCRIBED SCHEDULE AND**  
**INSTRUCTIONS FROM VEHICLE MANUFACTURER'S MANUAL**

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

**SECTION 1.** This Act shall be known as the Preventive Vehicle Maintenance Act of 2011.

**SEC. 2.** All owners and/or operators of motor vehicles especially those engaged in freight and passenger service are hereby mandated to conduct preventive maintenance of their motor vehicles in accordance with prescribed schedule and instructions as are otherwise contained in the Vehicle Manufacturer's Manual.

**SEC. 3.** Such record of preventive vehicle maintenance shall be kept ready for inspection at anytime especially when demanded by duly deputized authorities concerned with road safety.

**SEC. 4.** The Land Transportation Office shall issue pertinent rules and regulations to carry out the provision of this Act.

**SEC. 5.** This Act shall take effect upon its publication in the Official Gazette and in at least three newspapers of general circulation thirty days upon its approval.

Approved,

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