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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The country is presently facing increased levels of environmental degradation - air and water pollution, deforestation and the dumping of toxic water - that the Government must take the initiative to meet the challenge it presents.

It is for the reason that this bill seeks to establish a committee on Environmental Protection in each local government legislative council in order that each sanggunian can definitely focus itself on the conditions of each region as each has diverse characteristics peculiarly its own. Also, the enactment of this legislation will open awareness to the importance of protecting the environment not only for the survival of plants and wildlife but importantly to the health and welfare of the human race.

"The earth we abuse and the living things we kill will, in the end, take their revenge; for in exploiting their presence we are diminishing our future."¹

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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¹ Marya Mannes, *More in Anger*, 1958

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**AN ACT MANDATING THE CREATION OF A COMMITTEE ON
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN EACH LOCAL
GOVERNMENT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

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

SECTION 1. It is hereby mandated that a Committee on Environmental Protection shall be created in each Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Sangguniang Panlungsod and Sangguniang Bayan to address legislation in the said legislative bodies related to all environmental protection matters.

SECTION 2. Aside from protecting the environment, the said Committee on Environmental Protection shall also deal with matters pertaining to all environmental concerns of said local government.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved.