



Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE BILL NO. 6891

Introduced by Honorable Roger Gaviola Mercado

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Use of fossil fuel has been tagged as the biggest contributor to carbon dioxide emissions that caused global warming. It is therefore sensible to promote the use of non-fuel consuming bicycles.

Environmental protection is of no doubt a concern for everybody. We all know that when a forest is denuded, it could cause flash floods or landslides. Elevated carbon dioxide levels can cause global warming and the result is a devastating climate change. We all seem to be complacent while knowing the consequences of neglecting the environment but recent calamities like typhoon and heavy rains that brings unprecedented levels of flooding and landslides that claimed the lives and properties of many, only heightened our concern.

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

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ROGER GAVIOLA MERCADO



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AN ACT
PROMOTING BICYCLE SHARING NATIONWIDE BY GRANTING TAX
EXEMPTION ON THE PURCHASE AND RENTAL FEES OF NON-FUEL
CONSUMING BICYCLES INCLUDING ELECTRIC BICYCLES

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

SECTION 1. *Declaration of Policy.* It is hereby the policy of the state to protect the environment by promoting the use of non-fuel consuming bicycles nationwide.

SECTION 2. All purchase or rental fees of non-fuel consuming bicycles and electric bikes are hereby exempted from all forms of sales tax or similar tax thereof.

SECTION 3. Local Government Units (LGUs) are hereby mandated to grant exemption on permit and business fees on the construction and operation of Bicycle Sharing Centers/Clubs costing not more than three million pesos (P3000000) provided that such place is dedicated to the operation of sharing the use of non-fuel consuming (pedaled) or electric bicycles to its users and/or members.

SECTION 4. *Repealing Clause.* All laws, rules, regulations, decrees inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SECTION 5. *Effectivity.* This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) day after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.