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HOUSE BILL NO. 1431

Introduced by Representative Harlin Cast. Abayon
First District of Northern Samar

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This representation is exploring power producers as a possible fund source in increasing the economic opportunities of their host communities by requiring the former to make remittances directly to the latter's public coffers.

This measure was previously filed by Senator Panfilo Lacson in the 15th Congress. Passage of this bill is earnestly sought now in the 16th Congress.


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AN ACT
REQUIRING ALL INDEPENDENT POWER PRODUCERS, GENERATION COMPANIES OR
ENERGY RESOURCE DEVELOPERS TO REMIT THE AMOUNT THEY ARE REQUIRED
TO SET ASIDE AS FINANCIAL BENEFIT DIRECTLY TO THE HOST COMMUNITY

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

SECTION 1. All independent power producers, generation companies or energy resource developers, whether publicly or privately owned, shall remit directly to the local government units or other host communities the benefits they are required to set aside as financial benefit to host communities pursuant to Section 66 of Republic Act No. 9136, otherwise known as the "Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001"; Section 289 to 294, Chapter 11 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991"; and Section 5(i) of Republic Act No. 7638, otherwise known as the "Department of Energy Act of 1992".

SECTION 2. The use of the aforementioned amounts remitted by independent power producers, generation companies or energy resource developers to the host communities concerned shall remain subject to the guidelines set by the Department of Energy.

SECTION 3. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, letters of instruction, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its complete publication in at least two newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.