

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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HOUSE BILL NO. **1699**



Introduced by Representative **EMIL L. ONG**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to declare every Lunar New Year a regular holiday throughout the Philippines.

In view of the close Filipino-Chinese relations it is but proper to declare it as a regular holiday. Said holiday is also being observed by our Asian neighboring countries. They even celebrate it for a week so they can be with their families during this very important occasion. As a nation where more than twenty five percent (25%) of the population having a Chinese bloodline, passage of this law is the most convenient way of thanking them for their contribution in our history.

Immediate passage of this bill is therefore earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
DECLARING EVERY LUNAR YEAR A REGULAR HOLIDAY
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Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress duly assembled.

SECTION 1. Every Lunar New year is hereby declared as a regular holiday throughout the entire Philippines.

SECTION 2. All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations and other issuance inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days from its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.