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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The enterprising trait of Filipinos is almost second-nature. Just walk along the major thoroughfares and you will see different and many small business ventures in any locality such as sari-sari stores, vulcanizing shops, sash factories, car wash, bakeries, repair shops of all kinds and the like. Even our students, at their young age, already show and display their potentials in simple business ventures and profit-making activities like concert productions, t-shirt selling, and even trading local and imported products and delicacies in their respective schools.

Because of this, there is a need therefore to inculcate in our youth, specifically our students, on the basic concepts of entrepreneurship and business to give them an alternative source of income after graduation. This is to ensure that even if they pursue a non-business course, they are able to fend for themselves and utilize what they learn about entrepreneurship for profit-oriented undertakings.

We therefore enjoin our colleagues to ensure the immediate passage of this proposed measure.


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

SECTION 1. *Short Title.* – This Act shall be known as “The High School and
College Entrepreneurship Education Act of 2013.”

SECTION 2. *Definition of Terms.* -

- a. "Entrepreneurship" shall mean the organization, operation and assumption of risk for a business venture.
- b. "DepEd" shall mean the Department of Education.
- c. "High School" shall mean Secondary Education as defined in the Education Act of 1982.
- d. "DTI" shall mean the Department of Trade and Industry.
- e. "College" shall mean Tertiary Education as defined in the Education Act of 1982.

f. "Business Course" shall mean a course in college leading to a degree in a specific profession which is directly and primarily concerned and applicable to business such as B. S. Commerce, B. S. Accountancy and the like.

g. "Non-Business Course" shall mean a course in college leading to a degree in a specific profession which is not directly and primarily concerned and applicable to business such as Medicine, Dentistry and the like.

SECTION 3. *Entrepreneurship Education Curriculum.* – Entrepreneurship subjects shall form part of the relevant subjects in the curriculum of both High School and College students, subject to the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 4. *Mandatory High School Entrepreneurship Education.* – Entrepreneurship subjects shall be mandatory for all third year high school students which shall be supplemented by an advance Entrepreneurship subject in the fourth year high school.

SECTION 5. *Mandatory and Elective College Entrepreneurship Education.* – College Entrepreneurship Curriculum shall be mandatory for all College Business Courses. On the other hand, College Entrepreneurship Curriculum shall be provided as an elective in all Non-Business College Courses.

SECTION 6. *Duty of DTI.* – The DTI shall maintain a roster of successful entrepreneurs which shall be made available to the DepEd and interested students. Said roster shall include the accomplishment, concept, strategy and process contributing to the success and will have to be updated from time to time for the use of DepEd in the formulation of the Entrepreneurial Education Curriculum.

SECTION 7. *Separability Clause.* – If any part, section, or provision of this Act shall be held invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 8. *Role of DepEd.* – The DepEd, in coordination with the DTI and other stakeholders shall formulate the necessary implementing rules and regulation for the complete and proper implementation of this Act.

SECTION 9. *Repealing Clause.* – All other acts, laws, executive orders, presidential issuances, rules and regulations or any part thereof which are inconsistent herewith are hereby deemed repealed or modified accordingly,

SECTION 10. *Effectivity.* – The provisions of this Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days from its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation,

Approved,