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HOUSE BILL NO. 3566



Introduced by Representative MARLYN L. PRIMICIAS-AGABAS

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to amend Republic Act No. 9645 otherwise known as the "Commemoration of the Founding Anniversary of Iglesia ni Cristo Act" recognizing the significant contribution of the Iglesia ni Cristo and its members to nation building by declaring July 27 of every year as a Special Non Working Holiday through out the Philippines.

With millions of members not only in the Philippines but throughout the world, Iglesia ni Cristo showed its care for its members by keeping the well-being of the towns people and through humanitarian services. We are witness to their vast and immeasurable contribution to the nation through their faith reflecting our national identity, culture and values.

Thus, to give full recognition to Iglesia ni Cristo and its members, the expedient approval of the bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT
AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9645, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE
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CRISTO ACT”, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. Section 3 of Republic Act No. 9645, otherwise known as the “Commemoration of the Founding Anniversary of the Iglesia ni Cristo Act” is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 3. *National Holiday.*- July 27 of every year is hereby declared as a special national (~~working~~) **NON-WORKING** holiday in commemoration of the founding anniversary of the Iglesia ni Cristo in the Philippines.”

SECTION 2. Repealing Clause. All laws, decrees, orders, rules, regulations, ordinances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. Effectivity Clause. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days upon its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.