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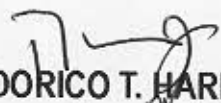
EXPLANATORY NOTE

According to the Department of Health (DOH), road accidents ranked as the fourth top cause of death in the country, next to heart disease, leukemia and cancer. Moreover, according to the Department of Transportation and Communication, fatalities due to road accidents have been growing with a 14.6-percent annual average increase. For 2013 alone, fatalities increased by 14.3 percent during the first quarter compared to the same period last year. It is projected that by 2020, about 300,000 victims will have been killed due to road accidents. With the volume of road accidents and traffic violations, it is imperative that CCTV Road Safety Surveillance Cameras be installed in major roads to monitor these road mishaps.

Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) has been found very useful especially in monitoring road accidents. Since its installment in some areas, it has been a reliable tool used by the law enforcement authorities in their investigations and apprehension of criminals. Furthermore, investigation of road mishaps and improved forecasting of traffic situations have been effectively managed and monitored through the use of CCTV. In addition to that, video recordings in CCTV Cameras may be used as competent evidence in road accidents and/or cases involving violation of traffic laws.

According to the Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA) in its report last 2012, there are only ten (10) Metrobase personnel who manage and maintain 56 operational out of 99 CCTV Road Safety Surveillance Cameras installed in various sites along major thoroughfares. This measure requires the mandatory installation of CCTV Cameras along the roads included in routes of public utility vehicles intended to be used as a tool for efficient road incident monitoring and substantial support in investigation involving violation of laws, rules and regulations, and ordinance.

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


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**AN ACT REQUIRING MANDATORY INSTALLATION OF CLOSED
CIRCUIT TELEVISION (CCTV) CAMERAS ON MAJOR ROADS INCLUDED IN
ROUTES OF PUBLIC UTILITY VEHICLES
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

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

1 **Section 1. Title.** - This Act shall be known and cited as the "CCTV Act of 2014"

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3 **Section 2. Declaration of Policy.** - It is the policy of the State to serve and protect
4 the people, to maintain peace and order, to protect life, liberty, and property, and to promote
5 the general welfare.
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7 **Section 3. Mandatory Installation of CCTV Cameras.** - Local Government Units
8 (LGUs) having jurisdiction over all roads included in routes of Public Utility Vehicles (PUV)
9 are hereby required and mandated to install and maintain in good working condition Closed-
10 Circuit Television (CCTV) Cameras along the roads to be used for efficient road incident
11 monitoring.
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13 **Section 4. Use of Video Recordings.** - The video recordings obtained pursuant to
14 the mandatory installed CCTV cameras in accordance with this Act shall be available for
15 use and may be disclosed by any member or officer of a law enforcement agency in
16 connection with and limited to investigation or prosecution of an offense punishable by law
17 or regulation. The parties involved in such offense may request for a copy of such video
18 recordings upon submission of a waiver that such video recordings will be used for lawful
19 purposes only.
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21 **Section 5. Implementing Agency.** - The Department of Interior and Local
22 Government (DILG), Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), Metropolitan
23 Manila Development Authority (MMDA), Department of Transportation and Communications
24 (DOTC), Philippine National Police (PNP) and the respective local government units with
25 jurisdictions over the area covering the routes of the PUVs shall ensure the implementation
26 and enforcement of this Act.
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28 **Section 6. Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR).** - Within ninety (90) days
29 after the enactment of this Act, the Secretaries of the aforementioned implementing

1 agencies shall formulate the implementing rules and regulations of the provisions of this
2 Act.

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4 **Section 7. Appropriation.** – Such sums as may be necessary for the immediate
5 implementation of the provisions of this Act is hereby authorized to be appropriated out of
6 any funds in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Thereafter, funds for its
7 implementation shall be included in the regular appropriations of the DILG.

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9 **Section 8. Separability Clause.** - If any provision or part hereof, is held invalid or
10 unconstitutional, the remainder of the law or the provision thereof shall remain valid and
11 subsisting.

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13 **Section 9. Repealing Clause.** - Any law, presidential decree, issuance, executive
14 order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule or regulation contrary to or inconsistent
15 with, the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified, or amended accordingly.

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17 **Section 10. Effectivity Clause.** - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
18 publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

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20 *Approved,*