



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. **4678**

Introduced by **Representative Susan A. Yap**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The World Health Organization reported in 2011 that there are 10.6 deaths caused by vehicular accidents for every 100,000 deaths in the Philippines. In the same year, the Metro Manila Development Authority and the Philippine National Police Highway Patrol Group reported 85,820 accidents, resulting to 1,833 deaths. The frequency of deaths from accidents is so alarming that even the Department of Health ranks road accidents as the fourth top cause of death in the country.

Unfortunately, this significant loss of lives, limbs, and not to mention, properties, are not easily investigated. The absence of closed-circuit television (CCTV) cameras at major intersections hampers investigations.

This bill seeks to address this problem by mandating the installation of CCTV cameras over roads included in routes of public utility vehicles, where there are more vehicles and where accidents are more prone to happen. This is not only to hasten accident investigations, but to ensure efficient road incident monitoring for the safety of motorists and commuters.

Given the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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

Be 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 “*CCTV Cameras for Road Incident Monitoring Act of 2014.*”

SECTION 2. Declaration of Policy. – It is the policy of the State to serve and protect the people, to maintain peace and order, to protect life, liberty, and property and to promote the general welfare.

SECTION 3. Mandatory Installation of CCTV Cameras – Agencies, Local Government Units (LGUs), and other department of the government having jurisdiction over all roads included in Routes of Public Utility Vehicles Buses, Public Utility Jeepneys and other Public Utility Vehicles are hereby required and mandated to install and maintain in good working condition Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) Cameras along the aforementioned roads to be used for efficient road incident monitoring.

SECTION 4. Use of Video Recordings. – The video recordings obtained pursuant to the mandatory installed CCTV cameras in accordance with this Act shall be available for use and may be disclosed by any member or officer of a law enforcement agency in connection with and limited to investigation or prosecution of an offense punishable by law or regulation.

SECTION 5. Implementing Agency. – The Department of Interior and Local Government, Department of Public Works and Highways, Metropolitan Manila Development Authority, Department of Transportation and Communication and the respective local government units with jurisdictions over the area covering the routes of the PUVs, PUBs, and PUJs shall ensure the implementation and enforcement of this act.

SECTION 6. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – Within ninety (90) days after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Department of Interior and Local Government together with Department of Public Works and Highways, Metropolitan Manila Development Authority, Department of Transportation and Communication and the respective local government units with jurisdictions over the area covering the aforementioned routes shall make rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this act.

SECTION 7. Appropriation. – Such sums as may be necessary for the immediate implementation of the provisions of this Act is hereby authorized to be appropriated out of any funds in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Thereafter, funds for its implementation shall be included in the regular appropriations of Department of Interior and Local Government.

SECTION 8. *Separability Clause.* – If any provision or part hereof is held invalid or unconstitutional the remainder of the law or the provision thereof shall remain valid and subsisting.

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

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

Approved,