



Republic of the Philippines
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HOUSE BILL NO. **6304**

Introduced by Honorable MARK A. VILLAR

AN ACT
MANDATING ALL GOVERNMENT OFFICES TO USE RENEWABLE
ENERGY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Department of Energy (DOE) warned us of the impending shortage of power supply in the country in 2015. The Congress was even asked by the Executive Department to give the President emergency powers to address this foreseen problem.

One of the major reasons cited was the scheduled maintenance of various power plants in the entire country which would affect the supply of energy. Another reason given was the rise of demand especially during the dry season and the forecasted effect of El Niño Phenomenon which would trigger the continuous use of power to keep the temperatures cold in industrial, commercial, and residential areas.

In fact, rotational brown-outs were already experienced in different parts of the country.

The Philippines has huge, diverse renewable sources of energy that can be harnessed to generate clean, non-polluting power. Developing these resources will reduce the country's dependence on expensive imported fuel, and sustain our demands for energy.

Republic Act No. 9513 or the Renewable Energy Act of 2008 provides the promotion and utilization of renewable energy as an alternative to using electricity to meet our demands for energy.

Thus, it is an opportune time for the government to set an example for its citizenry to follow. This bill seeks to help minimize the use of electricity from our power plants and generators from various distributors. Instead, the available renewable energy should be maximized.

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

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

Section 1. Declaration of Policy. It is hereby declared the policy of the State to:

- a) Increase the utilization of renewable energy by institutionalizing the development of national and local capabilities in use of renewable energy systems, and promoting its efficient and cost-effective application;
- b) Establish the necessary infrastructure and mechanism to carry out the mandates of this law.

Section 2. Government Offices. All national government offices shall install any appropriate and feasible renewable energy source as provided under RA 9513 otherwise known as the Renewable Energy Act of 2008. This includes all provincial, regional, and other satellite offices of the national government including Government-Owned or Controlled Corporation (GOCCs).

Section 3. Power Supply. The renewable energy installed in the government offices shall be the source of the offices' power supply for at least 20% of its total daily energy consumption.

Section 4. *Implementing Agencies.* The Department of Energy (DOE) and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) shall determine the appropriate and feasible renewable energy source depending on the location of the government office concerned. The Secretaries of DOE and DENR shall coordinate with head of the offices where the renewable energy source shall be installed. It is also the task of the said agencies to monitor the installation and development of the technology necessary to implement the provisions of this Act.

Section 5. *Appropriations.* The Congress shall appropriate the necessary amount of funds to install the renewable energy source. The amount to be appropriated shall be determined by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and the Department of Finance which shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following the approval of this Act.

Section 6. *Repealing Clause.* Any provision of this Act which may be inconsistent with any other law, decree, or order shall be deemed repealed.

Section 7. *Separability Clause.* Any provision of this Act which shall be declared unconstitutional shall not affect the other provisions of this Act.

Section 8. *Effectivity.* This Act shall be effective Fifteen Days (15 Days) following its complete publication in the Official Gazette or a newspaper of General Circulation.

Approved,