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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The recent road mishap involving a cement mixer and a Honda Brio that ended the life of the latter's driver prods us to exhaust every possible measure in order to avert the occurrence of similar accidents in the future. We would do well to eliminate every possible factor contributing to the causes of the mishap. Besides guaranteeing the roadworthiness of the vehicle, human factor should also be taken into consideration. After ensuring the alertness and physical health of the driver, his proper attire on the road should also be set down.

Breakdown on brakes appear to be the common culprit in heavy vehicles' going wayward. However, it is altogether possible that the reason the heavy vehicle "lost its brake" is that the driver was wearing slippers or sans footwear rendering his foot slippery and unable to properly engage the brake.

Hence, a proper dress code for drivers of heavy vehicles has to be stipulated.

The immediate passage of this timely measure is, thus, most earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
PRESCRIBING PROPER DRESS CODE FOR DRIVERS OF HEAVY VEHICLES AND
IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "Dress Code for Heavy Vehicle Drivers Act."

SEC. 2. There is hereby prescribed a proper dress code for drivers of heavy vehicles as follows:

- a. White short-sleeved Polo Shirt
- b. Khaki pants
- c. Leather shoes

SEC. 3. Any person found guilty of violating the provisions of this Act shall pay a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) for the first offense; a fine of Ten Thousand Pesos (P10,000.00) for the second offense; and a fine of Fifteen Thousand Pesos (P15,000.00) and revocation of driver's license for the third offense.

SEC. 4. The Department of Transportation (DOTr), in coordination with Local Government Units (LGUs) shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SEC. 5. All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed accordingly.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,