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HOUSE BILL NO. 6439



Introduced by Rep. Winston "Winnie" Castelo

EXPLANATORY NOTE

On September 18, 2017, on the occasion of the 6th Mandatory Continuing Legal Education-Accredited National Convention of Public Attorneys at the Manila Hotel, President Duterte, in the interest of peace and order, ordered all local government and police officials to arrest and detain those who drink liquor in the streets. He said "drunkards always become boisterous, which often results in fistfights that disturb and scare citizens."

When he was mayor of Davao City, President Duterte ordered a ban on drinking in public areas, which became an effective strategy to maintain peace and order.

This measure seeks to reinforce the order by means of a legislative fiat.

The immediate passage of this proposed bill is thus most earnestly sought.

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AN ACT
BANNING THE DRINKING OF INTOXICATING BEVERAGE IN OPEN PUBLIC AREAS AND
PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF

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 "Liquor in Public Ban Act."

SEC. 2. All persons are hereby prohibited to drink liquor or any intoxicating beverage in all open public areas.

SEC. 3. Any person found to have violated the provisions of this Act shall pay a fine of Ten Thousand Pesos and/or imprisonment of six months for the first offence; Twenty Thousand Pesos and/or imprisonment of one year for the second offence; and Fifty Thousand Pesos and/or imprisonment of two years for the third offence.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved,