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EXPLANATORY NOTE

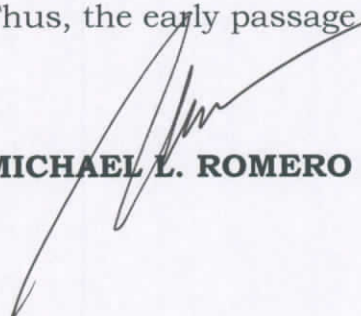
In the republic of the Philippines, the current challenges to aviation is reducing the congestion in major airports. The existing airport facilities, are inadequate to accommodate the huge number of passengers and cargo.

The demand for air travel, especially in the Asia Pacific region, is increasing rapidly. However, the existing airports in the country and in other such regions are not as competent to meet the growing demand. Passenger facilities such as check-in counters and departure lounges cannot accommodate a huge number of passengers.

This causes long delay, particularly at peak hour, and result in passenger discomfort and even cancellation of flights.

This House Bill seeks to foster a more efficient and productive mechanism to accommodate more travelers-passengers with the same quality standards.

Thus, the early passage of this bill is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT

MANDATING THE MANILA, CEBU AND DAVAO AIRPORT TO
CONDUCT **24 HOURS A DAY** TERMINAL OPERATIONS, TO
FOSTER THE OPTIMAL STANDARDS FOR AIR CARRIER
PASSENGER SERVICES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. DECLARATION OF POLICY – It is hereby declared a policy
of the state to protect travelers from malpractice, substandard-poor services,
inconvenience and traffic congestion.

The state shall also prevent and mitigate the negative effects on Philippine
Tourism and other business losses.

SECTION 2. TWENTY FOUR (24) HOURS TERMINAL OPERATION – It
shall hereby be a declared policy that the Manila, Cebu and Davao airport
terminals conduct twenty four **(24)** hours terminal operations.

SECTION 3. TRANSITORY PROVISION – Existing industries, businesses
and offices affected by the implementation of this Act shall be given six **(6)**

months transitory period from the effectivity of the IRR or such other period as may be determined, to comply with the requirements of this Act.

SECTION 4. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS. – The departments and agencies charged with carrying out the provisions of this Act shall, within sixty **(60)** days after the effectivity of this Act, formulate the necessary rules and regulations for its effective implementation.

SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE. – All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. – If, for any reason, any section or provision of this Act is held unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or provisions hereof shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. – This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days from its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation whichever comes earlier.

Approved,