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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Dangling wires of different cable service companies are not only unsightly. They pose real and potential threat to life and limb. Electric and cable wires that hang ominously overhead could cause electrocution or serve as road hazard that can trigger road mishaps.

Hence, cable service companies including electric and telecommunications companies are duty-bound to calibrate their cable wires so much so that they meet globally-acceptable standards in systematic wire bundling. If only to enforce strict compliance, the government should now issue a legislative fiat directing such companies to standardize their cable wire installation.

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


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AN ACT
MANDATING ALL CABLE SERVICE COMPANIES INCLUDING ELECTRIC AND
TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES TO BUNDLE THEIR WIRES IN SUCH MANNER
AS TO PRECLUDE THEM FROM DANGLING MIDAIR AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES
FOR VIOLATION THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "National Cable Wire Calibration Act."

SEC. 2. With the end in view of getting all cable service companies to set a globally acceptable standard for installing their cable wires throughout the country, all cable service companies including electric and telecommunications companies shall hereby be mandated to calibrate their cable wires so that they are systematically bundled and precluded from hanging ominously overhead.

SEC. 3. The National Power Corporation, in cooperation with the National Telecommunications Commission, shall issue pertinent implementing rules and regulations to effectively carry out the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 4. The amount needed to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be charged against the 2018 appropriations of the National Power Corporation and the National Telecommunications Commission. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 5 The competent courts shall determine the appropriate penalties for violations of the provisions of this Act.

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,