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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Good hygiene and sanitation is necessary to prevent illnesses. Given the saying that “an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure”, it really pays to practice good hygiene and sanitation.

If everybody practices good hygiene, chances are everybody will be in good health. A legislation for this purpose is hereby necessary.

Therefore, passage of this bill is hereby being earnestly sought.

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**AN ACT
MANDATING THE PRACTICE OF GOOD HYGIENE AND SANITATION**

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

1 **SECTION 1.** *Declaration of Policy.* The State should make it necessary for
2 everybody to practice good hygiene and sanitation.

3 **SECTION 2.** *Practice of Good Hygiene and Sanitation.* Everybody is hereby
4 mandated to practice good hygiene and sanitation. The practice of good hygiene and
5 sanitation should include among others the following:

- 6 1) Washing of hands every now and then;
- 7 2) Taking a bath regularly;
- 8 3) Use and clean of toilets when necessary;
- 9 4) Wearing of clean clothes/shoes/accessories;
- 10 5) Cleaning of home / yard and its premises regularly;
- 11 6) Other practices as may be required by the local and national government.

12 **SECTION 3.** This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

13 Approved,