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HOUSE BILL NO. _____

Introduced by REP. JOSE CHRISTOPHER Y. BELMONTE

EXPLANATORY NOTE

A version of this bill was originally filed in the 16th Congress by this Representation as House Bill No. 5266. After the consolidation of all other House Bills filed of the same subject, namely HB Nos. 182 by Rep. Gustavo S. Tambunting, 904 by Rep. Erlinda M. Santiago, 2618 by Former Akbayan Reps. Ibarra "Barry" Gutierrez III and Walden Bello, 2791 by Reps. Cresente C. Paez, et. al, 2824 by Rep. Winston "Winnie" Castelo, and 5266 by this representation, as well as the deliberations by the technical working group, which took into consideration House Resolution No. 120 by Rep. Fernando L. Hicap; and Privileged Speeches Numbered 0005 by Rep. Emmi A. De Jesus on July 30, 2014; and 0131 by Rep. Fernando L. Hicap on January 29, 2014, the Committee on Housing and Urban Development and Committee on Appropriation, in Committee Report No. 1025 dated 03 February 2016 during the 16th Congress came out with this version. The same version was again filed in the 17th Congress and remained under the deliberation of its Technical Working Group.

The importance of this bill in the pursuit of social justice for informal settler families cannot be over-emphasized.

Section 10, Article XIII of the 1987 Constitution provides that "urban and rural poor dwellers shall not be evicted nor their dwellings demolished, except in accordance with law and in a just and humane manner."

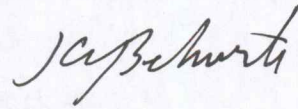
Pursuant to this constitutional mandate, Section 28 of Republic Act No. 7279, otherwise known as "Urban Development and Housing Act (UDHA) of 1992", stresses that eviction or demolition as a practice shall be discouraged and that certain requirements must first be complied prior to the dismantling of houses and eviction of affected families. Eviction or demolition may only be allowed (a) when persons or entities occupy danger areas, (b) when government infrastructure projects with available funding are about to be implemented, or (c) when there is a court order for

eviction and demolition.

Despite the provisions in the Constitution and the UDHA, violence still erupts during the conduct of evictions and demolitions of informal settler families (ISFs), leading to instances of severe injuries, and sometimes, loss of lives, especially among the poor and vulnerable dwellers. Moreover, these instances of violence get publicized, not only in the local and national mass and social media, but also in the international press, putting the country's reputation as signatory to various human rights covenants and agreements in a negative light.

This bill aims to strengthen the safeguards already provided for under Section 28 of the UDHA. A pre-demolition conference must be called upon to coordinate the various stakeholders, including government agencies tasked to provide the basic needs of the ISFs, to ensure that all forms of aggressions related to demolition and eviction are reduced, if not eliminated. Subscribing to the practice of peaceful dialogues guarantees an inclusive process that brings together the conflicting opinions of the stakeholders, focusing on finding just and sustainable solutions.

In view of the foregoing reasons, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT
PRESCRIBING A CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE EVICTION OF
UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS CITIZENS OR THE DEMOLITION
OF THEIR DWELLINGS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION
THEREOF, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR
THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED 7279, OTHERWISE KNOWN
AS THE "URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING ACT OF 1992"

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

1 **SECTION 1.** Section 28 of Republic Act Numbered 7279 is hereby amended
2 to read as follows:

3 **"Sec. 28. Eviction and Demolition.** - Eviction or demolition as a practice shall
4 be discouraged. [Eviction or demolition, however, may be allowed under the
5 following situations:]

6 a. **EVICION OR DEMOLITION, WHEN ALLOWED. - EVICION OR**
7 **DEMOLITION MAY BE ALLOWED UNDER THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:**

8 **[(a)] 1.** When persons or entities occupy a danger area[s such as *esteros*, railroad
9 tracks, garbage dumps, riverbanks, shorelines, waterways, and other public
10 places such as sidewalks, roads, parks, and playgrounds] **OR HIGH RISK**
11 **AREA WHICH POSES A HIGH LEVEL OF THREAT TO PUBLIC**
12 **WELFARE AND SAFETY THAT CANNOT BE ADDRESSED THROUGH**

1 OR REMEDIED BY SCIENTIFIC, PHYSICAL, AND ENGINEERING
2 METHODS AND, THEREBY, UNSUITABLE FOR SETTLEMENT AND
3 PERMANENT STRUCTURES: PROVIDED, THAT AN AREA CAN ONLY
4 BE DECLARED AS A DANGER AREA OR HIGH RISK AREA THROUGH
5 AN APPROPRIATE TECHNICAL STUDY AND ADEQUATE PUBLIC
6 CONSULTATION WITH THE AFFECTED PERSONS OR ENTITIES;

7 [(b)] 2. When government infrastructure projects with available funding are about
8 to be implemented: PROVIDED, THAT THE AGENCY WHICH SEEKS TO
9 IMPLEMENT THE EVICTION OR DEMOLITION SHALL ESTABLISH
10 THE PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT AND THE BUDGET
11 PERTAINING TO IT UPON ITS APPLICATION TO THE PRESIDENTIAL
12 COMMISSION FOR THE URBAN POOR FOR AN EVICTION OR
13 DEMOLITION CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE; [or] AND

14 [(c)] 3. When there is a court order for eviction and demolition: PROVIDED,
15 HOWEVER, THAT NO EXECUTION OF EVICTION OR DEMOLITION
16 ORDER SHALL PROCEED AND BE CARRIED OUT DURING THE
17 PENDENCY OF AN APPEAL, NOTWITHSTANDING THE FAILURE TO
18 FILE A SUPERSEDEAS BOND TO STAY THE EXECUTION OF THE
19 ORDER IF THE APPELLANT IS AN UNDERPRIVILEGED AND
20 HOMELESS CITIZEN.

21 [In the execution of eviction or demolition orders involving underprivileged
22 and homeless citizens, the following shall be mandatory:]

23 b. MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS BEFORE THE CONDUCT OF-EVICTION
24 OR DEMOLITION. - NO EVICTION OR DEMOLITION ACTIVITIES
25 INVOLVING UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS CITIZENS SHALL BE
26 EXECUTED ABSENT COMPLIANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING
27 MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS:

28 1. CONDUCT OF SOCIAL PREPARATION ACTIVITIES RELATED
29 TO ASSET REFORM, HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND BASIC
30 SERVICES, EMPLOYMENT AND LIVELIHOOD, AND OTHER
31 PROGRAMS OF THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE AFFECTED
32 UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS CITIZENS;

1 [(1)] 2. Notice upon the effected persons or entities at least thirty (30) days prior to
2 the date of eviction or demolition;

3 [(2)] 3. Adequate consultations on the matter of resettlement with the duly designated
4 representatives of the families to be resettled and the affected communities in
5 the areas where they are to be relocated: PROVIDED, THAT A
6 CONSULTATION IN THE FORM OF AN INTER-AGENCY PRE-
7 EVICTION OR PRE-DEMOLITION CONFERENCE WITH THE
8 AFFECTED UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS CITIZENS SHALL
9 BE CONVENED BY THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY OR
10 THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT AUTHORIZED TO EVICT OR
11 DEMOLISH AND THE SAME SHALL BE COMPLIED WITH UNDER
12 THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

13 i. THE LOCAL PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE
14 PERSONNEL, WHOSE FUNCTION IS TO PROVIDE LAW
15 ENFORCEMENT AND CIVIL DISTURBANCE CONTROL
16 BUT NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PHYSICAL
17 DISMANTLING OF ANY STRUCTURE, SHALL ACTIVELY
18 PARTICIPATE IN THE CONSULTATION PROCESS AND
19 THEIR ROLE SHALL BE CLEARLY SET FORTH;

20 ii. THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES SHALL BE REPRESENTED
21 DURING THE INTERAGENCY PRE-EVICTION OR PRE-
22 DEMOLITION CONFERENCE WITH THE AFFECTED
23 UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS CITIZENS: THE
24 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND URBAN
25 DEVELOPMENT, THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR AND
26 LOCAL GOVERNMENT, THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL
27 WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT, THE DEPARTMENT OF
28 EDUCATION, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
29 AND HIGHWAYS, THE NATIONAL HOUSING
30 AUTHORITY, THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR THE
31 URBAN POOR, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, THE
32 COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS, APPROPRIATE KEY
33 SHELTER AGENCIES, AND THE BARANGAY
34 CONCERNED;

1 iii. THE INTER-AGENCY PRE-EVICTION OR PRE-
2 DEMOLITION CONFERENCE WITH THE AFFECTED
3 UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS CITIZENS SHALL
4 BE PRESIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
5 SETTLEMENTS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE
6 PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR THE URBAN POOR,
7 WHICH MAY CALL ON THE ASSISTANCE OF OTHER
8 AGENCIES WHENEVER NECESSARY;

9 iv. THE DETAILS OF THE INTER-AGENCY PRE-EVICTION
10 OR PRE-DEMOLITION CONFERENCE WITH THE
11 AFFECTED UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS
12 CITIZENS SHALL BE DOCUMENTED OR RECORDED,
13 AND A SUMMARY OF THE POINTS OF THE
14 AGREEMENTS ARRIVED AT AS WELL AS THE
15 DISAGREEMENTS THEREON SHALL FORM PART OF THE
16 DOCUMENTATION, COPIES OF WHICH SHALL BE
17 PROVIDED TO ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS PRESENT; AND

18 v. THE INTER-AGENCY PRE-EVICTION OR PRE-
19 DEMOLITION CONFERENCE WITH THE AFFECTED
20 UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS CITIZENS SHALL
21 BE CONDUCTED NOT LATER THAN SEVENTY-TWO (72)
22 HOURS PRIOR TO THE INTENDED DATE OF EVICTION
23 OR DEMOLITION, AND IN NO CASE SHALL THE
24 CONFERENCE BE HELD WITHIN THE SAME
25 PRESCRIPTIVE PERIOD: PROVIDED, THAT A REQUEST
26 FOR POLICE ASSISTANCE SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY
27 A CERTIFICATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
28 SETTLEMENTS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE
29 PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR THE URBAN POOR
30 THAT AN INTER-AGENCY PREEVICTION OR PRE-
31 DEMOLITION CONFERENCE WITH THE AFFECTED
32 UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS CITIZENS WAS
33 CONDUCTED;

1 4. A CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE SECURED FROM THE
2 PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR THE URBAN POOR PRIOR TO THE
3 ACTUAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EVICTION OR DEMOLITION
4 ACTIVITY;

5 5. SUBMISSION TO THE BARANGAY OFFICIALS OF THE FOLLOWING:

6 i.CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE;

7 ii.NAMES OF ALL PERSONNEL, STAFF, AND CREW TAKING
8 PART IN THE EVICTION OR DEMOLITION ACTIVITY,
9 INCLUDING PRIVATE SECURITY, AND THE NAMES OF
10 THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE PERSONNEL
11 ASSIGNED TO MAINTAIN LAW AND ORDER;

12 iii.NOTICE OF THE DATE OF DEMOLITION WHICH SHALL BE
13 AT LEAST FIVE (5) CALENDAR DAYS FROM SUCH
14 NOTICE; AND

15 iv.LIST OF OFFICERS OF THE AGENCIES FORMING PART OF
16 THE INTERAGENCY BODY CONVENED TO EXTEND
17 SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE;

18[(3)] 6. Presence of local government officials or their representatives during eviction or
19 demolition;

20[(4)] 7. Proper identification of all persons taking part in the demolition;

21[(5)] 8. Execution of eviction or demolition only during regular office hours from
22 Mondays to Fridays and during good weather, unless the affected families
23 consent otherwise;

24[(6)] 9. No use of heavy equipment for demolition except for structures that are
25 permanent and of concrete materials;

26[(7)]10. Proper uniforms for members of the Philippine National Police who shall occupy
27 the first line of law enforcement and observe proper disturbance control
28 procedures;

29 11. OBSERVANCE OF A MINIMUM STANDARD OF CONDUCT BASED ON
30 RULES OF ENGAGEMENT THAT APPLY MAXIMUM TOLERANCE IN
31 ORDER TO PREVENT THE OUTBREAK OF VIOLENCE OR THE
32 ESCALATION THEREOF;

1[(8)] 12. Adequate relocation, whether temporary or permanent; Provided, however, That
2 in cases of eviction and demolition pursuant to a court order involving
3 underprivileged and homeless citizens, relocation shall be undertaken by the local
4 government unit concerned and the National Housing Authority with the
5 assistance of other government agencies within forty-five (45) days from service
6 of notice of final judgment by the court, after which period the said order shall be
7 executed: Provided, further, That should relocation not be possible within the said
8 period, financial assistance in the amount equivalent to the prevailing minimum
9 daily wage multiplied by sixty (60) days shall be extended to the affected families
10 by the local government unit concerned.

11 OBSERVANCE OF THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS SHALL B.E
12 MANDATORY IN ALL CASES INVOLVING THE EVICTION AND
13 DEMOLITION OF UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS CITIZENS,
14 REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT THEIR DWELLINGS OR
15 RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES WERE CONSTRUCTED AFTER THE
16 EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT.

17 [The Department of Interior and Local Government and the Housing and
18 Urban Development Coordinating Council shall jointly promulgate the
19 necessary rules and regulations to carry out the above provision.]

20 c. PROHIBITION AGAINST EVICTION BY THE CONSTRUCTION OF A
21 FENCE ENCLOSING A PROPERTY INHABITED BY UNDERPRIVILEGED
22 AND HOMELESS CITIZENS WHICH IS RAZED TO THE GROUND BY A
23 FIRE OR RUINED BY A NATURAL CALAMITY. - NO PERSON SHALL
24 SECURE OR BUILD A PERIMETER FENCE ON AN AREA OR PROPERTY
25 INHABITED BY UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS CITIZENS AFTER
26 THE SAME IS RAZED TO THE GROUND BY A FIRE OR RUINED BY A
27 NATURAL CALAMITY: PROVIDED, THAT THE FENCING OF THE
28 PROPERTY SHALL BE ALLOWED IF THE PERSON CAUSING THE
29 FENCING CAN SHOW A DULY-SIGNED COURT ORDER ALLOWING THE
30 SAME.

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32 d. DESIGNATION OF A CENTRAL COORDINATING BODY FOR EVICTION
33 AND DEMOLITION. THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR THE URBAN

1 POOR IS HEREBY DESIGNATED AS THE CENTRAL COORDINATING
2 BODY FOR THE CONDUCT OF EVICTION AND DEMOLITION
3 ACTIVITIES INVOLVING UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS
4 CITIZENS. IT SHALL EXERCISE THE FOLLOWING POWERS AND
5 FUNCTIONS:

6 1. MONITOR ALL EVICTIONS AND DEMOLITIONS,
7 WHETHER EXTRA-JUDICIAL OR COURT-ORDERED,
8 INVOLVING UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS
9 CITIZENS;

10 2. REQUIRE A GOVERNMENT AGENCY OR LOCAL
11 GOVERNMENT UNIT PROPOSING TO UNDERTAKE
12 EVICTION OR DEMOLITION ACTIVITIES TO SECURE
13 FIRST FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR THE
14 URBAN POOR CENTRAL OFFICE, IN THE CASE OF
15 NATIONAL PROJECTS, OR FROM ITS REGIONAL OFFICE,
16 IN THE CASE OF LOCAL PROJECTS, THE CHECKLIST AND
17 GUIDELINES FOR THE NATIONAL PROJECTS OR LOCAL
18 PROJECTS, RESPECTIVELY, ON EVICTION OR
19 DEMOLITION PRIOR TO THE ACTUAL IMPLEMENTATION
20 THEREOF AND, SUBSEQUENTLY, SUBMIT TO THE
21 PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR THE URBAN POOR THE
22 COMPLETED CHECKLIST, ATTESTED TO UNDER OATH BY
23 THE PROPONENT INDICATING THAT:

24 i. ADEQUATE CONSULTATION WITH THE
25 AFFECTED FAMILIES HAVE ALREADY BEEN
26 UNDERTAKEN;

27 ii. ADEQUATE RESETLEMENT SITE AND
28 RELOCATION FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE; AND

29 iii. THE PRE-RELOCATION REQUIREMENTS HAVE
30 BEEN COMPLIED WITH.

31 3. REVIEW THE BASIS FOR APPLICATION FOR THE
32 CONDUCT OF EVICTION OF UNDERPRIVILEGED AND
33 HOMELESS CITIZENS OR THE DEMOLITION OF THEIR

1 DWELLINGS IN A DANGER AREA OR HIGH RISK AREA,
2 OR IN AN AREA WHERE A GOVERNMENT
3 INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT WITH AVAILABLE
4 FUNDING IS ABOUT TO BE IMPLEMENTED;

5 4. BASED ON THE COMPLETED CHECKLIST, SUBJECT TO
6 FURTHER VERIFICATION, AND THE REVIEW OF THE
7 BASIS FOR APPLICATION FOR EVICTION OR
8 DEMOLITION IN THE PRECEDING SUB-PARAGRAPH,
9 ISSUE A DEMOLITION AND EVICTION CERTIFICATE OF
10 COMPLIANCE TO THE ENDORSER OF A PROPOSED
11 EVICTION OR DEMOLITION INVOLVING
12 UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS CITIZENS;

13 5. INITIATE, IN COORDINATION WITH RELEVANT
14 GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, RULES OF ENGAGEMENT IN
15 THE IMPLEMENTATION OF EVICTION OR DEMOLITION
16 BASED ON MAXIMUM TOLERANCE;

17 6. INVESTIGATE MOTU PROPRIO OR UPON COMPLAINT BY
18 ANY PARTY, ANY VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF
19 SUBSECTIONS A, B, AND C HERE OF OR THE RULES AND
20 REGULATIONS ISSUED TO IMPLEMENT THEM;

21 7. FILE MOTU PROPRIO OR BY WAY OF ASSISTANCE TO
22 ANY AGGRIEVED PARTY, THE APPROPRIATE CRIMINAL,
23 CIVIL OR ADMINISTRATIVE CASE AGAINST ANY
24 PERSON OR PERSONS FOUND TO HAVE VIOLATED THE
25 PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTIONS A, B, AND C HEREOF OR
26 THE RULES AND REGULATIONS ISSUED TO IMPLEMENT
27 THEM;

28 8. RECOMMEND TO THE PRESIDENT APPROPRIATE
29 MEASURES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION AND
30 ENFORCEMENT OF THIS SECTION AND THE RULES AND
31 REGULATIONS ISSUED TO IMPLEMENT THEM,
32 INCLUDING POSSIBLE ADMINISTRATIVE SANCTIONS
33 AGAINST NATIONAL OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

1 OFFICIALS WHO HAVE VIOLATED THE SAID LAW,
2 RULES AND REGULATIONS;

3 9. REQUEST ANY GOVERNMENT AGENCY FOR
4 ASSISTANCE AND NECESSARY INFORMATION IN THE
5 DISCHARGE OF THEIR RESPECTIVE FUNCTIONS UNDER
6 THIS ACT;

7 10. PUBLICIZE MATIERS COVERED BY ITS INVESTIGATION
8 OF VIOLATIONS OF THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTIONS
9 A, B, AND C HEREOF OR THE RULES AND REGULATIONS
10 ISSUED TO IMPLEMENT THEM, WHEN CIRCUMSTANCES
11 SO WARRANT AND WITH DUE PRUDENCE: PROVIDED,
12 HOWEVER, THAT THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR
13 THE URBAN POOR SHALL, UNDER THE RULES AND
14 REGULATIONS THAT SHALL HEREAFTER BE
15 PROMULGATED, DETERMINE WHAT CASES MAY NOT
16 BE MADE PUBLIC: PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT ANY
17 PUBLICITY ISSUED BY THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION
18 FOR THE URBAN POOR SHALL BE BALANCED, FAIR AND
19 TRUE;

20 11. ADMINISTER OATHS, ISSUE SUBPOENA AND SUBPOENA
21 DUCES TECUM, AND TAKE THE TESTIMONIES OF
22 WITNESSES IN THE COURSE OF ITS INVESTIGATION;

23 12. ADOPT ITS OWN OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES AND
24 RULES OF PROCEDURES, AS WELL AS RULES AND
25 REGULATIONS NOT OTHERWISE INCONSISTENT WITH
26 EXISTING LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS, TO
27 EFFECTIVELY CARRY OUT ITS MANDATE; AND

28 13. PERFORM SUCH OTHER FUNCTIONS AS MAY
29 HEREAFTER BE PROVIDED BY LAW. FOR THIS PURPOSE,
30 THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR THE URBAN
31 POOR SHALL DESIGNATE ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL TO
32 CARRY OUT ITS MANDATE.

33 e. PENALTY FOR VIOLATION. - ANY PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUB-
34 SECTIONS A, B, AND C HEREOF SHALL BE IMPOSED THE PENALTY OF

1 NOT MORE THAN SIX (6) YEARS OR IMPRISONMENT OR A FINE OF
2 NOT LESS THAN TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND PESOS (P25,000) BUT NOT
3 MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P100,000), OR BOTH,
4 AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT: PROVIDED, THAT, IF THE
5 OFFENDER IS A CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION, OR THE
6 GOVERNMENT OR ANY OF ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS,
7 INSTRUMENTALITIES OR AGENCIES, INCLUDING GOVERNMENT-
8 OWNED OR -CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS, OR OTHER JURIDICAL
9 ENTITIES, THE PENAL TV SHALL BE IMPOSED ON THE OFFICER OR
10 OFFICERS OF SAID CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION,
11 GOVERNMENT ENTITY, OR JURIDICAL ENTITY WHO CAUSED THE
12 VIOLATION."

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14 **SEC. 2.** Section 46 of Republic Act Numbered 7279 is also amended to read
15 as follows:

16 **"Sec. 46. Appropriations.** - The amount necessary to carry out the purpose of
17 this Act shall be included in the annual budget of implementing agencies in the
18 General Appropriations Act [of the year following its enactment into law and every
19 year thereafter].
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21 **SEC. 3. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** - Within one hundred twenty
22 (120) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Housing and Urban Development
23 Coordinating Council, Department of the Interior and Local Government, and
24 Presidential Commission for the Urban Poor shall, in consultation with non-
25 government organi2ations, people's organizations, and the private sector, jointly
26 promulgate the rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this Act.
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28 **SEC. 4. Separability Clause.** - If any provision of this Act is declared
29 unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby shall
30 remain in full force and effect.
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1 **SEC. 5. *Repealing Clause.*** - All laws, executive orders, presidential decrees,
2 proclamations, rules, regulations, issuances, and enactments or parts thereof
3 inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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5 **SEC. 6. *Effectivity.*** - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
6 publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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8 Approved,