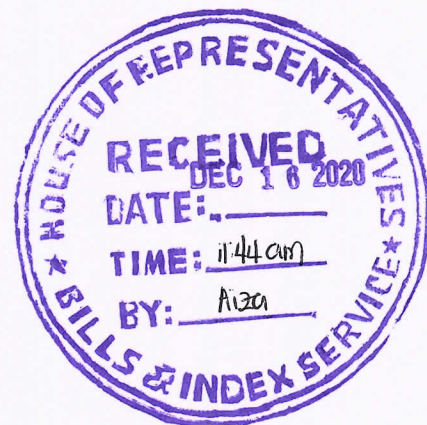


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HOUSE BILL NO. 8264

**AN ACT**  
**RECOGNIZING, DEFINING AND PROTECTING**  
**THE RIGHTS OF HETEROSEXUALS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSE**

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Introduced by: Congressman BIENVENIDO M. ABANTE, JR.

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

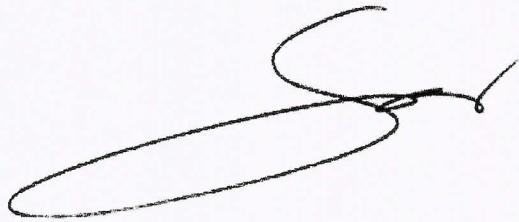
God created man in his own image, and created male and female only (*Genesis 1:27*), and gave the decree of procreation to a male and female only (*Genesis 1:28*), from which it is clear that God created only two (2) genders. As time passes by, however, and quite unfortunately, man continuous to change with flaming persistence the physiological, moral and social order, and environment that God designed for him. Today, what was virtually unknown and unimaginable since time immemorial, have become detestable realities right in our beloved country, of which we are proud to be called as the only 'Christian' country in the Far East.

Today, we have lesbians, gays, bisexuals, transgenders, queers and intersex (LGBTQI), and growing and/or expanding, who are clamoring for 'legislated rights' and 'state protection' tailored for their specific kind and/or class, all in contravention to God' law of creation and procreation and in utter defiance to His statutes and commandments, and the principles and standards of proper conduct and righteous living that He set for an orderly and morally upright society. Thus, Bills are now before us that smacks God's laws and standards, particularly on creation, human dignity and morals. These Bills not only recognize, but worse, promote and give reward to 'genders' not created by God. Any gender, gender identity or gender expression outside of God's creation is man's choice and creation. If we allow these Bills to become a law, these groups of precious souls will be driven away and away from God (Whom we say we believe in) until they are gone too far that they could no longer recognize Him or hear His call.

The best way to avoid a 'perceived' discrimination is to be what God created us to be!

If, therefore, we seek to 'grant' and/or 'protect' rights to homosexuals, bisexuals, transgenders and queers, in the spirit of justice, equity and fair play, we must also 'grant' and/or 'protect' rights to heterosexuals who are the actual and direct creations of God, as the Bible says: "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them" (*Genesis 1:27, KJV*). "And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth xxx" (*Genesis 1:28, KJV*). Heterosexuals should be respected and protected of their right to live and act as God created them to be and to freely proclaim God's truths, principles and standards even concerning genders and gender identities and expressions outside of God's creation. This is consistent with the declared Principle on the Separation of the Church and State (*Sec. 6, Art. II, Constitution*) and the Constitutionally-guaranteed freedom of religion and the free exercise thereof (*Sec. 5, Art. III, Constitution*), freedom of speech and expression (*Sec. 4, Art. III, Constitution*), and the right to equal protection of the laws (*Sec. 1, Art. III, Constitution*).

In the light of the foregoing, the immediate passage of this Bill is earnestly requested

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

SECTION 1. *Title.* - This Act shall be known as “The Heterosexual  
Act of 2020”.

SEC. 2. *Policy Declaration.* - Consistent with the Constitutionally-guaranteed freedom of religion, the free exercise thereof and the free exercise and enjoyment of religious profession and worship without discrimination or preference, freedom of speech and expression, the right to equal protection of the laws, and the declared State principle on the separation of the church and State, it is hereby declared the policy of the State to recognize, define, protect and guaranty the rights of heterosexuals in their dealings with their fellowmen including people of different sexual orientations, gender identities or gender expressions and in the exercise of the rights enshrined in the Constitution and the rights provided under this Act.

- a. *Heterosexual* – a person sexually attracted or whose sexual attraction, behavior or desire is directed to a person of the opposite sex.

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- b. *Homosexual* – a person sexually attracted or whose sexual attraction, behavior or desire is directed to a person of the same sex.
- c. *Bisexual* - a person sexually attracted or whose sexual attraction, behavior or desire is directed to both men and women.
- d. *Transgender* - a person whose sense of personal identity or expression and gender does not correspond with his/her sex at birth or one who has undergone a change in his/her outside reproductive organ at birth.
- e. *Queer* – a person who is differing in some way from what is usual or normal.

SEC. 4. *Rights of Heterosexuals.* - In addition to the rights guaranteed or granted to or enjoyed by a natural person under the Constitution, international laws or conventions to which the Philippines is a signatory, issuances by the United Nations Organization, and under other local decrees, orders, rules or regulations and other issuances, heterosexuals shall have the following rights:

- a. To adhere to, practice, proclaim, promote, propagate, defend and protect their religion and religious beliefs, convictions and standards without interference and/or abridgment;
- b. To practice and enjoy their religious profession and worship without interference or abridgment with the right to exclude therefrom others of different beliefs or faith;
- c. To freely express and communicate with others, privately or publicly, verbally or in writing or through print or broadcast media or through social media platforms that now exist or that may hereafter be developed;
- d. To freely express, exercise, and impose, in running or operating their churches, businesses, schools or workplaces

females only from and against the use thereof by any person who is not a male or female by birth or with a sexual orientation, gender identity or expression different from what he/she is by birth; and

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- f. To freely express their views, verbally or in writing, privately or publicly, in print or broadcast media, or in social media platforms that now exist or may hereafter be developed about homosexuality, bisexuality, and on transgenders and queers according to their religious beliefs and practices and to biblical principles and standards.

SEC. 5. *Prohibited Acts.* – The following acts are declared prohibited and punishable under this Act:

- a. Preventing, prohibiting, abridging, or otherwise interfering with the free exercise and enjoyment by heterosexuals of any of their rights enumerated under Section 4 of this Act;
- b. Attempting to prohibit, abridge, or otherwise interfere with the free exercise and enjoyment by heterosexuals of any of their rights under this Act; and
- c. Threatening, directly or indirectly, in any form, a homosexual for exercising any of his/her rights under this Act.

SEC. 6. *Penalties.* – Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this Act shall, upon conviction, be penalized with imprisonment of from five (5) years and one (1) day to seven (7) years and one (1) day and a fine of not less than One Hundred Thousand Pesos (Php100,000.00) nor more than Two Hundred Thousand Pesos (Php500,000.00); Provided, that if the offender is a public official he/she shall, in addition to the foregoing penalties be dismissed from employment, shall be perpetually disqualified from holding any public office; and all his monetary benefits shall be forfeited in favor of the government.

SEC. 7. *Separability Clause.* – If for any reason any section or provision of this Act, or any portion thereof, or the application of such section, provision or portion thereof to any person, group or circumstance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act shall not be affected by such declaration and shall remain in force and effect.

SEC. 8. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, executive issuances, rules and

SEC. 9. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,