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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Our people have to grapple not only with the raging Covid-19 pandemic but with rising pump prices of gasoline, diesel, kerosene, and other petroleum products, as well as cooking gas. The increase in fuel prices translates into adjustments in the prices of consumer products, and soon, in transport fares. Excise tax now stands at P10 per liter for gasoline, P6 per liter for diesel, and P5 per liter for kerosene.

This bill calls for the immediate suspension of the increase in excise taxes on oil products imposed under Republic Act No. 10963, or the TRAIN Law, in response to the clamor of various sectors for relief from soaring fuel prices.

Thus, the call for suspending increases in excise taxes under the TRAIN Law. The bill covers only the adjustments, not the pre-TRAIN Law excise levies, which the government will continue collecting if the proposed suspension is approved.


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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION OF THE
INCREASE IN EXCISE TAXES ON PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IMPOSED BY
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10963, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE TAX REFORM FOR
ACCELERATION AND INCLUSION (TRAIN) LAW

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

1 Section. 1. The collection of the increase in excise taxes on gasoline, diesel, kerosene,
2 and other petroleum products imposed under Section 43 of Republic Act No. 10963 is hereby
3 suspended immediately.

4 SECTION 2. Such suspension shall remain in effect until December 31, 2024, when
5 the country is expected to have largely recovered from the Covid-19 pandemic, unless extended
6 by Congress.

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8 SECTION 3. *Separability Clause.* –If any provision or part hereof is held invalid or
9 unconstitutional, the remainder of the law or the provision not otherwise affected shall remain
10 valid and subsisting.

11 SECTION 14. *Repealing Clause.* – Republic Act No. 10963 and other relevant laws
12 and regulations are hereby modified accordingly. Any law, presidential decree or issuance,
13 executive order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule or regulation contrary to or is
14 inconsistent with the provision of this Act is hereby repealed, modified, or amended
15 accordingly.

16 SECTION 15. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
17 publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

18 Approved,