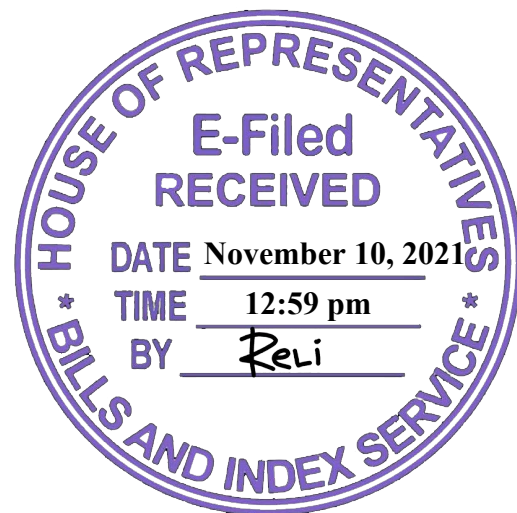


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House Bill No. 10466



Introduced by **MAGDALO Party-List Representative**
HON. MANUEL DG. CABOCHAN III

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Republic Act No. 9442, as amended by Republic Act No. 7277, provides the guidelines for the issuance of Person with Disability Identification Cards or PWD-IDCs. Persons with disabilities (PWDs) are entitled to a 20% discount and are exempted from paying value-added tax (VAT) on certain products and services nationwide. It also includes a 5% discount on necessities and prime commodities, mandatory coverage of health and security insurance, and educational assistance.

Administrative Order No. 001, series of 2008 issued by the National Council on Disability Affairs (NCDA) serves as the basis for the abovementioned privileges provided for under the Magna Carta for Disabled Persons. The PWD-IDCs serves as the physical proof for use of discount to ensure that PWDs can enjoy these benefits and privileges. Currently, these PWD-IDCs have only three (3) years of validity and would require recipients to personally renew it.¹

Undoubtedly, PWD-IDCs have been successful in easing the burden of PWDs. However, mobility or the ability to move freely and easily is the main problem for

¹ NCDA. Administrative Order No. 001, Series of 2008. Retrieved from <https://www.ncda.gov.ph/2009/07/apply-fo-pwd-id-card/>

most. Many have permanent disabilities such as pre-existing birth defects, loss of limbs, deafness, and permanent blindness which personally bars them from renewing their PWD-IDCs and prevents them from enjoying these benefits.

This proposed measure, therefore, seeks to amend Section 32 of Republic Act No. 7277 to provide for the lifetime validity of Person with Disability Identification Cards or PWD-IDCs. The lifetime validity shall only apply to recipients who have permanent disabilities and elderly PWDs.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate passage of this measure is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR LIFETIME VALIDITY OF PERSON WITH DISABILITY
IDENTIFICATION CARDS FOR THOSE WITH PERMANENT DISABILITY OR
ELDERLY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7277,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "MAGNA CARTA FOR PERSONS WITH
DISABILITY," AS AMENDED

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 32 of Republic Act No. 7277, as amended, otherwise
2 known as the "Magna Carta for Persons with Disability," is hereby further amended
3 to read as follows:
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5 "Sec. 32. Persons with disability shall be entitled to the following:

6 "x x x

7 "The abovementioned privileges are available only to PWD who are Filipino
8 citizens upon submission of any of the following as proof of his/her entitlement
9 thereto:

1 “(I) An identification card issued by the city or municipal mayor or the barangay
2 captain of the place where the PWD resides;

3 “(II) The passport of the PWD concerned; or

4 “(III) Transportation discount fare Identification Card (ID) issued by the
5 ~~[National Council for the Welfare of Disabled Persons (NCWDP)]~~ NATIONAL
6 COUNCIL ON DISABILITY AFFAIRS (NCDA).

7 “*PROVIDED*, THAT IDENTIFICATION CARDS, AS MENTIONED IN (I) AND (III)
8 OF THE PRECEDING PARAGRAPH, ISSUED TO A PWD WHO HAS A PERMANENT
9 DISABILITY, AS DETERMINED BY THE NCDA, OR WHO IS AT LEAST SIXTY
10 (60) YEARS OLD SHALL BE VALID DURING THE LIFETIME OF THE HOLDER:
11 *PROVIDED*, FURTHER, THAT THE NCDA, IN CONSULTATION WITH RELEVANT
12 STAKEHOLDERS, SHALL ISSUE A LIST OF DISABILITIES CONSIDERED AS
13 PERMANENT FOR THIS PURPOSE WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS FROM THE
14 EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT: *PROVIDED*, FURTHERMORE, THAT IN CASE OF
15 LOSS OR DAMAGE, THE HOLDER MAY RENEW HIS/HER IDENTIFICATION
16 CARD; *PROVIDED*, FINALLY THAT THE ISSUING OFFICES SHALL IMPLEMENT
17 MEASURES TO ENSURE THE PROPER USE OF THE IDENTIFICATION CARD
18 ESPECIALLY IN CASE OF THE ID HOLDER’S DEATH.

19 “ x x x.”
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21 *Sec. 2. Implementing Rules and Regulations.*– The Department of Social
22 Welfare and Development (DSWD) and the National Council on Disability Affairs
23 (NCDA), in coordination with the Department of Health (DOH), the Department of the
24 Interior and Local Government (DILG) and other concerned government agencies,
25 shall within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, promulgate the rules and
26 regulations to effectively implement the provisions of this Act.

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28 *Sec. 3. Separability Clause.*– If any portion or provisions of this Act is declared
29 unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act or any provisions not affected thereby shall
30 remain in force and effect.
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1 Sec. 4. *Repealing Clause.*— Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive
2 order, letter of instruction, rule or regulation inconsistent with the provisions of this
3 Act is hereby repealed modified accordingly.

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

Approved,