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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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HOUSE BILL NO. 4819



Introduced by Representative Joseph Gilbert F. Violago

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This commendable bill had been filed in the past Congress and the present proponent is acknowledging the wisdom and hard work of his predecessors.

Our elders have given so much for their respective families and the society. They deserve to receive privileges and benefits from the government and this includes the enactment of RA 10868. Under such law, it was stated that all Filipinos residing in the Philippines or abroad who reached the age of 100 years old will receive a Centenarian Gift amounting to One hundred pesos (Php100,000) from the Philippine government. Unfortunately, only few of our elders reach the age of 100.

This bill seeks to amend Republic Act 10868 or known as the "Centenarians Act of 2016" by granting the privileges in advanced to elder citizens of our country with ages eighty-five (85), ninety (90) and ninety-five (95).

Lowering the age required in RA 10968, will allow our elders to enjoy the benefits they deserve.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is sought.

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**AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 2 OF REPUBLIC ACT 10868
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “AN ACT HONORING AND GRANTING
ADDITIONAL BENEFITS AND PRIVILEGES TO FILIPINO
CENTENARIANS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”**

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of R.A. 10868 is further amended as follows:

“Sec. 2. Letter of Felicitation and Cash Gift. All Filipinos who reach the age of **EIGHTY-FIVE (85) YEARS OLD, NINETY (90) YEARS OLD, NINETY-FIVE (95) YEARS OLD, AND** one hundred (100) years old, whether residing in the Philippines or abroad, shall be honored with:

(a) A Letter of Felicitation from the President of the Philippines congratulating the celebrant **UPON REACHING THE AGE OF ONE HUNDRED (100)** for his or her longevity; and

(b) A [Centenarian] CASH Gift in the amount of **TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND PESOS (P25,000.00) WHEN THEY REACH THE AGES OF 85 YEARS OLD, AND 90 YEARS OLD, FIFTY THOUSAND PESOS (P50,000) UPON REACHING 95 YEARS OLD,** and one hundred thousand pesos **WHEN REACHING THE AGE OF 100 TOGETHER WITH THE FELICITATION**

SEC. 2. Repealing Clause .- All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations in consistent with any provision of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SEC. 3. Effectivity. -This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,