

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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HOUSE BILL NO. 5402



Introduced by Representative DAN S. FERNANDEZ

EXPLANATORY NOTE

In honor, recognition and support of our elderlies, the original senior citizens law, Republic Act No. 7432, was passed in 1992. This law has since been amended several times, notably by Republic Act Nos. 9257, 9994, 10645 and 11916, with the end in view of granting additional benefits or expanding the privileges for our senior citizens. Other related pieces of legislation intended for their welfare are Republic Act Nos. 7876, 10154, 10366, 10868, 10911, 11350.

In furtherance of this laudable Filipino consciousness that our elderlies still have much to contribute to nation-building, this bill further accords our senior citizen-drivers the privilege of enjoying a discount of twenty percent (20%) of traffic fines that may be imposed upon them. It ought to be remembered that senior citizens have already been granted travel benefits when they have been entitled to transportation fare discounts under the law. Animated therefore by such similar privileges, this bill bestows the subject discount in traffic fines. Given the usual small amount of such charges, it may be argued that whatever revenue loss to the government that might arise from the proposed discount would be far outweighed by the benefit of promoting the welfare and morale of our senior citizens.

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

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AN ACT
GRANTING TWENTY PERCENT (20%) DISCOUNT TO SENIOR
CITIZEN-DRIVERS ON TRAFFIC FINES FOR WHICH THEY
WILL BE FOUND LIABLE, FURTHER AMENDING REPUBLIC
ACT NO. 7432, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “AN
ACT TO MAXIMIZE THE CONTRIBUTION OF SENIOR
CITIZENS TO NATION BUILDING, GRANT BENEFITS AND
SPECIAL PRIVILEGES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

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

SECTION 1. Upon the effectivity of this Act, senior citizen-drivers shall be entitled to twenty percent (20%) discount on traffic fines for which they will be found liable.

SEC. 2. Within thirty (30) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Chief of the Land Transportation Office (LTO) in consultation with the Chairperson of the Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA) shall issue the necessary rules and regulations in implementation hereof.

SEC. 3. All laws, executive orders, rules and regulations or any part thereof inconsistent herewith are deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,