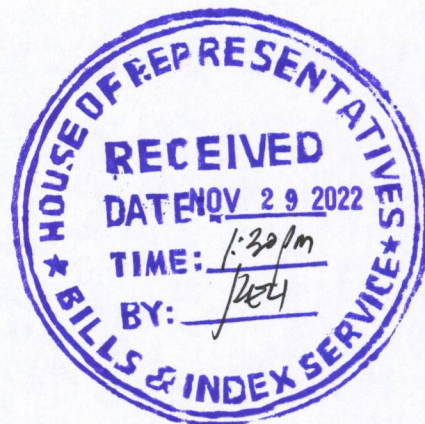




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House Bill No. 6449

Introduced by **1-RIDER Party-list Representative Hon. Ramon Rodrigo**
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This measure seeks to include Road Safety Education as part of the curriculum in the K+12 program of the Department of Education.

Currently, Road Safety Education is only taken up in driving schools in preparation for the application of a Driver's License with the Land Transportation Office (LTO). In order to reduce accidents, hospitalizations and deaths, an educational program is required to promote safety behavior in both drivers and pedestrians.

According to the PNP-Highway Patrol Group (PNP-HPG), Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) and the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), one of the causes of road accidents is jaywalking pedestrians. This representation believes that one way to curb road accidents that could lead to damage in property, or worse, the death of an individual, is having the youth partake in Road Safety Education from the beginning of their education to instill the necessary discipline to abide by the traffic rules and regulations. This discipline will surely play a vital role in their driving behavior should the youth decide to apply for a Driver's License when they reach the proper age.

The necessary modules to be taken up according to year level under the K+12 Program would be left to the discretion of the Department of Education, in coordination with the Land Transportation Office.

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


HON. RAMON RODRIGO “RODGE” L. GUTIERREZ
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¹ This measure was previously filed as House Bill No. 442 during the 18th Congress by Hon. Strike B. Revilla



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**AN ACT REQUIRING THE INCLUSION OF ROAD SAFETY
EDUCATION AS PART OF THE CURRICULUM OF THE K+12
PROGRAM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

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

SECTION 1. *Declaration of Policy.* The State shall establish a road and transportation network that is safe, efficient and dependable in order to encourage economic activity and ensure the safety of every individual on the road. It is hereby declared a policy of the State that every youth in school be equipped with the proper knowledge of traffic rules and regulations to inculcate discipline at a young age.

SECTION 2. *Inclusion of Road Safety Education.* The subject of Road Safety Education is hereby required to be part of the curriculum for the K+12 Program, with the modules offered dependent on the child or youth's stage of development and level of independence as a road user.

"Road Safety Education" is defined as a program of educational activities around road safety provided to children and young people in formal and community educational settings. It seeks to develop the behaviors and attitude for safe road use relevant to the development of children and young people as passengers, cyclists and drivers.

SECTION 3. The Department of Education (DepEd), in coordination with the Land Transportation Office (LTO), shall adopt the necessary rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 4. All laws, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "R. Gutierrez", is written over the "Approved." text.