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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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Third Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 10741



Introduced by REP. RODOLFO “OMPONG” M. ORDANES

AN ACT

EXPANDING THE PRIVILEGES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS TO INCLUDE THE EXEMPTION FROM THE NUMBER CODING SCHEME, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7432, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9257 AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9994, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “*EXPANDED SENIOR CITIZENS ACT OF 2010*”

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Our senior citizens have dedicated much of their lives to the progress of our country. As they age, it is important that we continue to support them with benefits that acknowledge their contributions and make their lives easier.

Republic Act No. 7432, as amended by RA No. 9257 and RA No. 9994, otherwise known as the “*Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010*,” grants various benefits to senior citizens, such as discounts and tax exemptions. While these benefits have improved their lives, there are still ways we can further assist them.

One area where senior citizens face challenges is the number coding scheme, which limits when vehicles can be used based on their license plate numbers. This restriction can be particularly burdensome for seniors who must travel to medical appointments or other essential activities. Mobility is vital for their health and well-being, and these restrictions can hinder their ability to live independently.

This bill seeks to exempt senior citizens from the number coding scheme, allowing them to travel freely without the inconvenience of these restrictions. By doing so, we provide them with the flexibility they need to access essential services and maintain their independence.

This exemption is a small but significant way to honor our senior citizens and ensure they can continue to live with dignity and ease.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. ***Short Title.*** – This Act shall be known as the “*Number Coding Exemption*
2 *for Senior Citizens Act.*”

3 SEC. 2. ***Amendatory Provision.*** – Section 4 of Republic Act No. 7432, as amended by
4 Republic Act No. 9257 and Republic Act No. 9994, is hereby further amended by inserting
5 the following provision after Subsection (l) to read as follows:

6 “SEC. 4. Privileges for the Senior Citizens. – The senior citizens shall be entitled to the
7 following:

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9 **(m) EXEMPTION FROM THE UNIFIED VEHICULAR VOLUME**
10 **REDUCTION PROGRAM OR NUMBER CODING SCHEME OF THE**
11 **GOVERNMENT FOR VEHICLES WHERE A SENIOR CITIZEN IS EITHER**
12 **THE DRIVER OR THE PASSENGER.**

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14 SEC. 3. ***Implementing Rules and Regulations.*** – The relevant government agencies
15 shall draft the necessary Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of this Act within fifteen
16 (15) days from the effectivity of this Act.

1 SEC. 4. ***Separability Clause.*** – If any provision of this Act is held invalid or
2 unconstitutional, the remainder of the Act or the provisions not otherwise affected shall remain
3 valid and subsisting.

4 SEC. 5. ***Repealing Clause.*** – Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive order,
5 letter of instruction, administrative rule, or regulation contrary to or inconsistent with the
6 provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified, or amended accordingly.

7 SEC. 6. ***Effectivity.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days upon its publication in
8 at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

9 *Approved,*