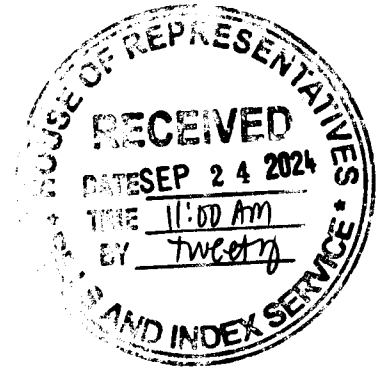




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FACILITIES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Sports has been a part of our country’s culture. It plays an essential role in the promotion of health, unity, and nationality. Throughout the years, government-funded sports facilities have provided venues for athletes to showcase their talent, train for national and international competitions, and promote physical fitness. However, we must ensure that these sports infrastructures are sustainable and shall remain that way for the future.

This measure seeks to institutionalize sustainability practices in the management and renovation of these government-funded sports facilities. In addition, this measure will ensure that these sports facilities are maintained efficiently and sustainably. Furthermore, this serves as a commitment of the government to responsible and sustainable stewardship of public resources. This ensures that future generations can benefit from these infrastructures without compromising environmental and financial sustainability.

In view of the foregoing, the approval of this measure 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 “Sustainable Sports
2 Facilities Act.”

3 **SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy.** – It is hereby declared the policy of the government to
4 institutionalize sustainability in the construction, renovation, and maintenance of all
5 government-funded sports facilities, venues, and other sports-related infrastructures.

6 **SEC. 3. Definition and Scope of Application.** – This Act shall cover all sports
7 facilities, venues, and other sports-related infrastructure, including but not limited to, stadia,
8 coliseums, arenas, sports centers, sports complexes, running tracks, courts, swimming pools,
9 convention centers, media centers, and athletes’ villages, which are government-funded.

10 As used in this Act, operators refer to the government agencies and private entities that
11 operate the sports facilities mentioned above.

12 **SEC. 4. Sustainability Plans for All Sports Facilities.** – It is hereby mandated that
13 operators of all future and existing government-funded sports facilities, venues, and other

sports-related infrastructure shall formulate a sustainability plan for such facilities. Said sustainability plans shall be submitted to and monitored by the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC). In pursuance of the fulfillment of this mandate, the PSC is hereby empowered to tap and coordinate other relevant government agencies such as the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), Games and Amusement Board (GAB), Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR); and non-government organizations such as the Philippine Olympic Committee (POC) and the various National Sports Associations (NSAs) in the country.

The contents of the sustainability plans shall include the following:

- a. Plans on future hosting and uses of the sports facility after the termination of the event for which the same was constructed;
- b. Regular maintenance, up-keep, repair, and/or renovation;
- c. Income-generating activities sufficient to cover the maintenance, upkeep, repair, and/or renovation of the sports facility;
- d. Installation of energy-saving and water-saving systems or devices;
- e. Water conservation measures such as rainwater harvesting, use of grey water, etc.;
- f. Waste management, recycling, and/or composting facilities;
- g. Use of renewable energy such as wind power and solar power;
- h. Other information or details as may be determined in the future by the PSC;

The sustainability plan shall be revised at least once every five (5) years, or as often as may be required by the PSC considering the circumstances of the sports facility.

SEC. 5. Annual Report. – The PSC shall formulate an annual report summarizing and consolidating the sustainability plans of all covered sports facilities and the level of compliance of operators to their respective plans and the requirements of this Act. This report shall be submitted to Congress and be made available to the public.

1 **SEC. 6. Appropriations** – The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act
2 shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

3 **SEC. 7. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** – To carry out the provisions of this
4 Act, the PSC shall, within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, issue the
5 implementing rules and regulations for this Act.

6 **SEC. 8. Repealing Clause.** – All laws, decrees, orders, rules, and regulations or parts
7 thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

8 **SEC. 9. Effectivity.** - This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its
9 publication in the Official Gazette or in any major newspaper of general circulation in the
10 Philippines.

Approved,