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HOUSE BILL NO. **505**



Introduced by Representative Crispin Diego “Ping” D. Remulla

AN ACT
REGULATING THE IMPOSITION OF FEES FOR THE USE OF PARKING
SPACES LOCATED WITHIN COMMERCIAL AND BUSINESS
ESTABLISHMENTS, INSTITUTIONS, AND PARKING FACILITIES

EXPLANATORY NOTE

In recent years, the demand for accessible and adequate parking spaces has significantly increased, particularly in commercial establishments such as shopping malls, supermarkets, cinemas, and other similar venues. For many consumers, the availability and convenience of parking are critical considerations when choosing where to shop or conduct business.

The primary challenge faced in this area is the insufficient availability of parking spaces. Equally pressing is the issue of unreasonably high parking fees imposed by parking area operators, which often place an undue financial burden on vehicle owners.

To address these concerns, several laws have already been enacted to guide the provision of parking facilities. Notably, Presidential Decree No. 1086, also known as the “National Building Code of the Philippines” (NBCP), and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, mandate the minimum number of parking slots required for various types of buildings and establishments.

While technology platforms and applications have emerged to assist motorists in locating available parking spaces and booking parking services, the regulation of parking fees remains inadequate. At present, parking rates are unregulated, leaving consumers vulnerable to arbitrary and excessive charges by parking operators.

Although the State recognizes and respects the role of the private sector in the national economy and acknowledges the principles of supply and demand, the necessity to regulate parking fees is undeniable to prevent exploitation and protect consumer welfare.

This bill seeks to establish standardized rates for parking fees nationwide, ensuring fairness and transparency in the cost of parking services. Furthermore, it mandates the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) to conduct biennial reviews of these rates and recommend adjustments in response to relevant economic conditions.

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 the Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

1 **SECTION 1. *Short Title.*** - This Act shall be known as the “*Parking Fee Regulation*
2 *Act*”.

3 **SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.*** – It is the policy of the State to protect the interests of
4 the consumer, promote his general welfare and to establish standards of conduct for business
5 and industry.

6 **SEC. 3. *Definition of Terms.*** – For purposes of this Act, the following terms are hereby
7 defined:

8 (a) *Commercial establishments* shall include shopping malls, supermarkets,
9 restaurants, hotels, wellness centers, trade exhibits, and other similar
10 establishments or activities that sell products and services;

11 (b) *Business establishments* shall include buildings that are occupied by offices or
12 residential units but opens a part or whole of its parking spaces to the public;

13 (c) *Institutions* shall include learning institutions, hospitals and similar
14 establishments;

- 1 (d) *Parking facilities* shall include spaces or building dedicated solely for offering
2 parking spaces for a fee; parking spaces in airports, sea ports, bus terminals and
3 train stations; park and fly; and, park and ride;
- 4 (e) *Parking area* shall collectively refer to parking spaces offered by commercial
5 establishments, business establishments, institutions and parking facilities as
6 defined in this Act;
- 7 (f) *Parking attendant* shall refer to the person or machine authorized or designated
8 by the owners of the parking areas to issue tickets and receipts to the vehicle
9 owners;
- 10 (g) *Parking cards* shall refer to the document issued by a parking attendant to the
11 vehicle owner upon entry in the parking area which is made with polyvinyl
12 chloride (PVC) or similar materials, whether with radio frequency identification
13 (RFID) and any other security features, or not, that is issued by a parking
14 attendant;
- 15 (h) *Parking ticket* shall refer to the document issued by a parking attendant to the
16 vehicle owner upon entry in the parking area which is made with paper,
17 cardboard or any similar materials;
- 18 (i) *Pass-thru* shall mean the temporary use of the parking area, specifically for not
19 more than fifteen (15) minutes to drop off or pick up a passenger. for failure to
20 find a parking space, or for any other reason.

21 **SEC. 4. Coverage.** – This Act shall cover all commercial and business establishments,
22 institutions, and parking facilities that offer to the public, for a fee, the use of parking spaces
23 located within their premises.

24 **SEC. 5. Issuance of Building Permit.** – All commercial establishments securing a
25 Building Permit shall be required to submit a sworn undertaking that adequate parking spaces
26 and facilities shall be made available to the public in accordance with the charges and fees as
27 provided for under this Act.

28 **SEC. 6. Regulation of Parking Fees.** – Establishments covered under Section 3 of this
29 Act shall collect the following standard rates per vehicle:

- 30 (a) For all types of cars, Forty pesos (P40.00) for the first three (3) hours and Five
31 pesos (P5.00) per hour for the succeeding hours;
- 32 (b) For motorcycles, Twenty pesos (P20.00) for the first three (3) hours and Two
33 pesos (P2.00) per hour for the succeeding hours;

(c) For overnight parking for all types of cars, flat rate of Two hundred fifty pesos (P250.00), which shall cover the period from 12:00 midnight until 8:00 o'clock in the morning. Vehicles that will enter the parking premises at 6:00 o'clock in the morning shall pay the regular fee;

(d) For overnight parking for motorcycles, flat rate of One Hundred Fifty pesos (P150.00) which shall cover the period from 12:00 midnight until 8:00 o'clock in the morning. Motorcycles that will enter the parking premises at 6:00 o'clock in the morning shall pay the regular fee;

(e) For valet services, flat rate of One hundred Fifty pesos (P150.00) in addition to the regular parking fee;

(f) For pass-thru, no fee shall be charged on any type of vehicle as long as its stay in the parking area does not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. Prior advise to the parking attendant is not necessary for the availment of pass-thru;

(g) For validated parking tickets in commercial establishments, the first three (3) hours shall be free of charge. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Section shall apply starting the first minute of their fourth hour.

A minimum of Five hundred pesos (P500.00) worth of single or accumulated receipt from any of the tenants of the commercial establishment issued within the day and hours of their stay in the parking area is necessary for the availment of validated tickets. The vehicle owner shall present the original official receipts to the parking attendant, who shall validate the same, upon exit from the parking area; and

(h) For lost or damaged parking tickets, Three hundred pesos (P300.00) in addition to the parking fees applicable to the vehicle owner as provided herein; and,

SEC. 7. *Granting of Discounts, Promotions, Lower Rates and Free Parking.* – This Act does not prevent the parking area owners to grant discounts, promotions, lower rates, and free parking to the vehicle owners.

SEC. 8. *Issuance of Parking Tickets or Cards.* – The owners of the parking area, through the parking attendants, shall issue tickets or cards to all vehicles entering their premises indicating the vehicle's plate number and entry time, among others. All equipment or materials used as reference for time shall be synchronized.

SEC. 9. *Information on Parking Rates.* – The rates as provided in this Act shall be displayed in the entrance and other conspicuous areas of the parking area.

1 **SEC. 10. *Security as Responsibility of Parking Area Owners.*** – Owners of parking
2 areas shall provide and maintain security in their premises and shall be responsible for any loss
3 or damage to vehicles in their parking areas: *Provided, However,* That if it is has been
4 determined that the owner of the parking area or his duly assigned representative has provided
5 security with due diligence, the loss or damage shall be the responsibility of the inflicting party.

6 **SEC. 11. *Penalties.*** – Any person, natural or juridical, who violates the provisions of
7 this Act shall pay the fine of One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) and the suspension
8 and/or revocation of their license to operate, upon the discretion of the court.

9 **SEC. 12. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.*** – The Department of Trade and
10 Industry (DTI), in consultation with the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG)
11 and other concerned government agencies shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for
12 the effective implementation of this Act within sixty (60) days from its effectivity.

13 **SEC. 13. *Review.*** –DTI, DILG, and other concerned government agencies, in
14 consultation with the owners of the parking areas and other stakeholders shall review every
15 two (2) years the applicability of the parking rates set forth under this Act, and shall make
16 recommendations on any changes based on relevant economic indicators.

17 **SEC. 14. *Separability Clause.*** – If any part, section or provision of this Act is held
18 invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and
19 effect.

20 **SEC. 15. *Repealing Clause.*** – All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations or parts
21 thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

22 **SEC. 16. *Effectivity.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication
23 in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,