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Introduced by: REPRESENTATIVE CHRISTOPHERSON "COCO" M. YAP

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to reinforce quality education in the primary and secondary level.

Filipinos are known globally as one of the most adaptive, skilled, and competent professionals in almost every vocation. However, this notion of Filipino excellence is now challenged because of the poor showing in the 2018 Program for International Assessment. Out of 79 countries, our 15-year-old students ranked last in the areas of Reading Literacy, Mathematics Literacy, and Scientific Literacy.¹

As can be inferred in the Basic Education Development Plan², the problem lies not only in the ability of the students but also in the aspect of teaching as it is vital in learning. Thus, to address this limitation, this bill aims to restructure and reconsider the present education curriculum system by employing the approach deemed most effective by the Department of Education to ensure mastery of knowledge and skills after each level, and the conduct of periodic review of not less than once every five years to determine its relevance and effectiveness in achieving the educational goals.

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


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¹ DepEd Order No. 24, s. 2022, p. 80 (May 30, 2022)

² DepEd Order No. 24, s. 2022

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AN ACT

ALLOWING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION THE FLEXIBILITY TO DETERMINE THE PEDAGOGICAL APPROACHES TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN THE BASIC EDUCATION CURRICULUM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 5 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10533, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE ENHANCED BASIC EDUCATION ACT OF 2013"

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

SECTION 1. Section 5 of Republic Act No. 10533, otherwise known as the "Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013", is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 5. *Curriculum Development* – XXX

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"(a) XXX

"(b) XXX

"(c) XXX

"(d) XXX

"(e) XXX

"(f) XXX

“(g) The curriculum shall employ the approach deemed most effective by the DepEd to ensure mastery of knowledge and skills after each level, Provided, that the curriculum and approach shall be subject to periodic review of not less than once every five (5) years, unless compelling circumstances necessitate an earlier period, to determine its relevance and effectiveness in achieving the educational goals; and

“ (h) xxx”

SECTION 2. All laws, orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SECTION. 3 This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,