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Introduced by: **REP. SALVADOR A. PLEYTO, SR.**

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### EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 13, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides: The State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being. It shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs. It is further stipulated in Sec 3(2), Article XV that the State shall defend the right of children to assistance, including proper care and nutrition, and special protection from all forms of neglect, abuse, cruelty, exploitation, and other conditions prejudicial to their development.

Prohibiting our minors from continuously dwelling on with such unfavorable time in any place other than their home, or place with their parents or guardian, is one way to discipline and regulate their extra activities with their peers. To curb the acts of delinquency, teenage gang incidents and other violations of the law committed during night time, minors below eighteen years of age should be restricted in the confines of their home or in the hold of their parents or guardians during the proposed curfew hours.

Hence, this bill seeks to strictly implement a nationwide curfew hours for persons seventeen (17) years of age and below from ten o'clock in the evening (10:00pm) to four o'clock in the morning (4:00am). A penalty for violation thereof shall be imposed.

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

  
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**AN ACT  
IMPOSING A NATIONWIDE CURFEW FOR MINOR PERSONS SEVENTEEN  
YEARS OF AGE AND BELOW, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION  
THEREOF**

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

SECTION 1. **Short Title** – This Act shall be known as “Nationwide Curfew on Minors Act of 2025”.

SEC. 2. **Imposition of Curfew** – A curfew hours from ten o’clock in the evening (10:00pm) to four o’clock in the morning (4:00am) for minor persons seventeen (17) years of age and below is hereby imposed. No minors shall be allowed out in the streets or any other areas outside the vicinity of their residence during said curfew hours.

SEC. 3. **Exceptions** – During curfew hours, a minor person may only be allowed outside his/her residence if:

- a) Accompanied by their parents, family members of legal age, or guardians upon proper verification;
- b) Working directly under the sole responsibility of their parents or guardian.
- c) Their participation in public entertainment or public information is essential.
- d) Running lawful errands such as buying of medicines, responding to an emergency and calling for emergency assistance

SEC. 4. **Role of the Barangay** – The Punong Barangay, Members of the Barangay Council and the duly designated Barangay Tanods are hereby authorized to implement the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 5. **Guidelines in Apprehension** – Offenders of this Act shall be apprehended in accordance with the following guidelines:

a) For the 1<sup>st</sup> Offense

A minor found violating this Act for the first time will be referred to the nearest barangay hall. The Barangay Council for the Protection of Children (BCPC) shall conduct counseling before such minor be turned over to his or her parents or guardian. A copy of the case record of such violation shall be sent to the barangay of their residence in case they were apprehended in other localities for reference.

b) For the 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense

A minor found violating this Act for the second time will be required to attend two (2) consecutive counseling sessions conducted by the BCPC. He/she shall be accompanied by a parent or guardian who shall also render a seventy two (72) hours of community service and/or a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (PhP2,000.00).

c) For the 3<sup>rd</sup> Offense

A minor found violating this Act for the third time and every succeeding violation of the same offense thereafter shall be referred to the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) office with jurisdiction over the locality of the residence of the minor, for proper disposition of the matter.

The parent or guardian of the minor shall be penalized with a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00) and/or imprisonment of six (6) months.

**SEC. 6. *Implementing Rules and Regulations*** – To ensure the implementation of the provisions of this Act on a nationwide scale, the Department of Social Welfare and Development, the Philippine National Police, the Department of Labor and Employment, the National Youth Commissions, and a child welfare non-government organization, shall come together to promulgate and issue the necessary implementing rules and regulations within ninety (90) days upon the effectivity of this Act.

**SEC. 7. *Repealing Clause*** – All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, ordinances, rules and regulation, and other issuances or part thereof which are inconsistent with this Act, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SEC. 8. *Effectivity*** – This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette of in newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,