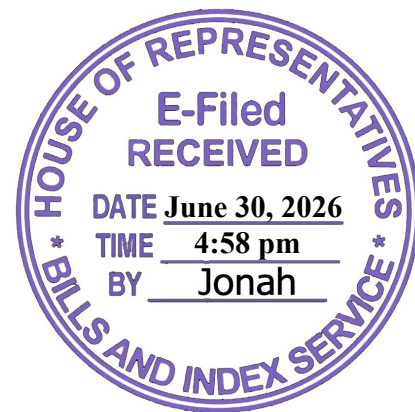


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Philippine Identification System (PhilSys), enacted under Republic Act No. 11055, established a central identification platform for all citizens and resident aliens. However, systemic gaps in government aid delivery demand that we maximize the national ID’s utility by including a vital piece of information: an individual's job, occupation, or profession.

This proposed measure mandates the inclusion of an individual's job, occupation, or profession into both the PhilSys Registry and the physical PhilID card to eliminate ghost beneficiaries and prevent the manipulation of state assistance programs. Further, this amendment is highly relevant and urgent given the recurring challenges in the distribution of government welfare assistance. Past emergency relief operations have exposed weaknesses in the government's ability to identify qualified beneficiaries. Efforts to provide targeted financial aid (*ayuda*) to legitimate recipients were often compromised by ghost claimants, forged credentials, and unlawful double-dipping, while unauthorized individuals took advantage of the lack of a centralized and verified occupational database.

Through this Act, the State strengthens identity verification by integrating a citizen's occupation into the national ID system. Beyond securing *ayuda*, it cuts financial red tape and provides real-time labor data for better economic planning, while fully complying with the Data Privacy Act of 2012.

Given these distinct benefits to administrative efficiency, transparency and public welfare, the immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE PHILIPPINE IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM BY INCLUDING THE JOB, OCCUPATION, OR PROFESSION OF A CITIZEN IN THE PHILIPPINE IDENTIFICATION CARD, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 8 AND 13 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11055, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "PHILIPPINE IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM ACT"

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

SECTION 1. Short Title. – This Act shall be known as the "PhilSys Job and Occupation Inclusion Act."

SECTION 2. Declaration of Policy. – It is the policy of the State to establish a single, unified national identification system to promote seamless, efficient, and transparent delivery of public and social services.

The State also recognizes the need to integrate occupational information into the national ID network to streamline economic transactions and enhance labor policies

SECTION 3. Amendment of Section 8 of Republic Act No. 11055. – Section 8 of Republic Act No. 11055, otherwise known as the "Philippine Identification System Act," is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 8. *PhilSys Registry Data.* – Information to be collected and stored under the PhilSys shall be limited to the following:

(a) Demographic Data

(1) Full Name; (2) Sex; (3) Date of Birth; (4) Place of Birth; (5) Blood Type; (6) Address; [and] (7) Citizenship (Filipino or Resident Alien)[.];
AND

(8) JOB, OCCUPATION, OR PROFESSION; PROVIDED, THAT FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE UNEMPLOYED, IN-BETWEEN JOBS, RETIRED, OR IN THE INFORMAL SECTOR, SUCH STATUS SHALL BE REFLECTED ACCORDINGLY, SUBJECT TO PERIODIC UPDATING.

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SECTION 4. Amendment of Section 13 of Republic Act No. 11055. – Section 13 of Republic Act No. 11055 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 13. *The Philippine Identification (PhilID)*. – The PhilID shall be a non-transferable card that shall serve as the official government-issued identification platform of citizens and resident aliens in the Philippines...

The physical card shall contain the following information:

(a) PhilSys Number (PSN); (b) Full Name; (c) Date of Birth; (d) Place of Birth; (e) Blood Type; (f) Address; (g) Front-facing Photograph; [and] (h) Marital Status (optional)[.]; **AND**

(I) JOB, OCCUPATION, OR PROFESSION.

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SECTION 5. Verification and Updating of Data. – The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), in coordination with the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC), the Civil Service Commission (CSC), and other relevant government entities, shall establish a simplified, secure, and decentralized electronic mechanism allowing registered individuals to update their occupational data on the PhilSys Registry.

The updating of occupational data shall be free of charge and may be integrated into existing annual registration or renewal systems managed by the PRC, Civil Service, or corporate employer networks to ensure real-time accuracy.

SECTION 6. Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR). – Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), in coordination with the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC), and the National Privacy Commission (NPC), shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act, incorporating data protection protocols in compliance with Republic Act No. 10173, otherwise known as the "Data Privacy Act of 2012."

SECTION 7. Separability Clause. – If any provision or part of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 8. Repealing Clause. – Sections 8 and 13 of Republic Act No. 11055 are hereby amended. All other laws, decrees, executive orders, rules, and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 9. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,