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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 227

Submitted by the Committees on Poverty Alleviation, Appropriations, and Ways and Means on March 18, 2026

Re: House Bill No. 8647

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 326, 1040, 1434, 2789, 3323, 3450, 3507, 4522, 4900, 5093, 5854, 6734, and 7361)

Sponsors: Representatives Iris Marie Demesa Montes, JC M. Abalos, Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, Mikaela Angela B. Suansing, and Atty. Miro S. Quimbo

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Poverty Alleviation, Appropriations, and Ways and Means, to which were referred **House Bill No. 326** introduced by Representatives Iris Marie Demesa Montes, Keith Micah “Atty. Mike” D.L. Tan, Noel “Bong” N. Rivera, Arturo B. Robes, and Aiman T. Tan, entitled:

“AN ACT PROMOTING INCLUSIVE EDUCATION, ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND EMPLOYMENT FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AMONG 4PS ADULT BENEFICIARIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11310, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4PS)”

House Bill No. 1040 introduced by Representatives JC M. Abalos, Noel “Bong” N. Rivera, Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, and Ching B. Bernos, entitled:

**“AN ACT ESTABLISHING SUPPORT TO TERTIARY EDUCATION AND
EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM OF PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM
STUDENT BENEFICIARIES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”**

House Bill No. 1434 introduced by Representatives Leila De Lima, Ma. Georgina P. De Venecia, Cielo Krisel Lagman, Dadah Kiram Ismula, Roy M. Loyola, Percival “Perci” Cendaña, Kaka J. Bag-ao, John Tracy F. Cagas, and Jose Manuel Tadeo “Chel” I. Diokno, entitled:

**“AN ACT PROMOTING INCLUSIVE EDUCATION, ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND
EMPLOYMENT FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AMONG PANTAWID
PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4Ps) ADULT BENEFICIARIES, AMENDING FOR
THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11310, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “AN ACT
INSTITUTIONALIZING THE PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4PS)”**

House Bill No. 2789 introduced by Representatives Javier Miguel Lopez Benitez, Vincenzo Renato Luigi R. Villafuerte, and Jurdin Jesus M. Romualdo, entitled:

**“AN ACT EXPANDING THE PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4Ps),
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11310, OTHERWISE KNOWN
AS “THE PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4Ps) ACT”**

House Bill No. 3323 introduced by Representatives JC M. Abalos, Marcelino C. Libanan, Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, Ching B. Bernos, and Aiman T. Tan, entitled:

**“AN ACT PROMOTING INCLUSIVE EDUCATION, ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND
EMPLOYMENT FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AMONG 4Ps ADULT
BENEFICIARIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11310,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM
(4Ps)”**

House Bill No. 3450 introduced by Representatives Dante S. Garcia, and Kenneth Paolo Tereng, entitled:

**“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE CONDITIONAL CASH TRANSFER TO POOR
HOUSEHOLDS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 4 OF REPUBLIC ACT
NO. 11310, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO
PROGRAM”, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”**

House Bill No. 3507 introduced by Representatives Marcelino C. Libanan, JC M. Abalos, and Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE 4Ps TRANSITION AND EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM FOR BENEFICIARIES OF THE PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

House Bill No. 4522 introduced by Representatives Iris Marie Demesa Montes and Keith Micah “Atty. Mike” D.L. Tan, entitled:

“AN ACT ENSURING THE SELF-SUFFICIENCY OF 4Ps BENEFICIARIES, AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11310, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4PS) ACT”

House Bill No. 4900 introduced by Representative Eric L. Olivarez, entitled:

“AN ACT EXPANDING THE PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4Ps), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11310, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4Ps) ACT”

House Bill No. 5093 introduced by Representative Cheeno Miguel D. Almario, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 4 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11310, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM”, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

House Bill No. 5854 introduced by Representatives Rolando Ledesma Macasaet, Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, Binky April M. Tupas, Gerardo “Gerryboy” Jr. J. Espina, Edsel A. Galeos, Bella Vanessa B. Suansing, Carlos Andes Loria, and Anna York P. Bondoc, MD, entitled:

“AN ACT EXPANDING THE SOCIAL PROTECTION BENEFITS OF THE PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4Ps) BY PROVIDING SSS CONTRIBUTION SUBSIDIES TO QUALIFIED BENEFICIARIES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

House Bill No. 6734 introduced by Representative Jonathan Keith T. Flores, entitled:

AN ACT PROMOTING INCLUSIVE EDUCATION, ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND EMPLOYMENT FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AMONG 4 Ps ADULT BENEFICIARIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11310, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “PANTAWID PILIPINO PROGRAM (4PS)”

and

House Bill No. 7361 introduced by Representative Brian Raymund S. Yamsuan, entitled:

**“AN ACT EXPANDING THE PERIOD OF COVERAGE UNDER THE 4PS, AMENDING
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11310, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “PANTAWID
PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4PS)”**

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 8647,
entitled:

**“AN ACT STRENGTHENING AND EXPANDING THE PANTAWID PAMILYANG
PILIPINO PROGRAM (4Ps), AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11310, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS THE “PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4Ps) ACT”**

be approved in substitution of House Bills Numbered 326, 1040, 1434, 2789, 3323, 3450, 3507, 4522, 4900, 5093, 5854, 6734, and 7361 with Representatives Iris Marie Demesa Montes, Keith Micah “Atty. Mike” D.L. Tan, Noel “Bong” N. Rivera, Arturo B. Robes, Aiman T. Tan, JC M. Abalos, Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, Ching B. Bernos, Leila De Lima, Ma. Georgina P. De Venecia, Cielo Krisel Lagman, Dadah Kiram Ismula, Roy M. Loyola, Percival “Perci” Cendaña, Kaka J. Bag-ao, John Tracy F. Cagas, Jose Manuel Tadeo “Chel” I. Diokno, Javier Miguel Lopez Benitez, Vincenzo Renato Luigi R. Villafuerte, Jurdin Jesus M. Romualdo, Marcelino C. Libanan, Dante S. Garcia, Kenneth Paolo Tereng, Eric L. Olivarez, Cheeno Miguel D. Almario, Rolando Ledesma Macasaet, Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, Binky April M. Tupas, Gerardo “Gerryboy” J. Espina, Jr., Edsel A. Galeos, Bella Vanessa B. Suansing, Carlos Andes Loria, Anna York P. Bondoc, MD, Jonathan Keith T. Flores, Brian Raymund S. Yamsuan, Mikaela Angela B. Suansing, Atty. Miro S. Quimbo, Franz S. Pumaren, Florabel C. Yatco, Salvador A. Pleyto, Irene G. Labadlabad, Nathaniel M. Oducado, Sarah Jane I. Elago, Maria Cristina C. Angeles, Julius Cesar “Jay” V. Vergara, Franz Vincent F. Legazpi, Ferdinand L. Hernandez, Janette L. Garin, Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza, Marlyn L. Primicias-Agabas, Ma. Alana Samantha Taliño Santos, Alyssa Michaela “Mica” M. Gonzales, Marie Bernadette G. Escudero, Jose “Bong” Teves Jr., Maria Carmen S. Zamora, Monique Yazmin Maria Q. Lagdameo, Edwin Ongchuan, Romeo S. Momo Sr., Joseph S. Tan, Loreto S. Amante, Dale B. Corvera, Alexandria “Queenie” Gonzales, Augustina Dominique “Ditse Tina” C. Pancho, Arthur F. Celeste, Johanne Monich G. Bautista, Ma. Isabel L. Sagarbarria, Brian Poe, Nicanor M. Briones, Ma. Cristina Talavera Lopez, Milagros Aquino-Magsaysay, Ferdinand “B1” L. Beltran, Patricia C. Calderon, Maximo Y. Dalog Jr., Laarni Lavin Roque, Richard I. Gomez, DPA, Maria Rachel J. Arenas, Leonel “Jhong” D. Ceniza, Antonino B. Roman III, Joseph Kim C. Yu, Sittie Aminah Q. Dimaporo, Ryan S. Recto, Arthur C. Yap, Jose Manuel Tadeo “Chel” I. Diokno, Elijah Rumbaoa San Fernando, Audrey Kay T. Zubiri, Jude A. Acidre, Junard “Ahong” Q. Chan, Eleandro Jesus F. Madrona, Irwin C. Tieng, Aniela Bianca D. Tolentino, Bernadette S. Barbers, Ernesto M. Dionisio Jr., and Lordan G. Suan as authors thereof.

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AN ACT
STRENGTHENING AND EXPANDING THE PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4Ps), AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11310, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4Ps) ACT"

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 the "Patuloy ang Pagtawid sa Pamilyang Pilipino Act."

SEC. 2. Section 2 of Republic Act No. 11310 otherwise known as the "Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) Act" is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policies.* – The State shall promote a just and dynamic social order thereby uplifting its citizens and marginalized sectors from poverty through policies that provide adequate social services, promote full employment, a rising standard of living, and an improved quality of life for all.

The State recognizes the need to foster social justice as provided for in Article XIII of the 1987 Constitution, as follows:

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(g) Improve maternal health; [and]

“(h) Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all[.];

“(I) PROMOTE SOCIO-ECONOMIC RESILIENCE AMONG FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS;

“(J) PROMOTE EDUCATION AMONG ADULT BENEFICIARIES OF 4Ps THROUGH ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM, ENTREPRENEURSHIP TRAINING, AND EMPLOYMENT TRAINING TO ACHIEVE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT; AND

“(K) PROVIDE A SYSTEMATIC, COMPREHENSIVE AND HOLISTIC SUPPORT, AND TRANSITION PROGRAM FOR THE GRADUATING BENEFICIARIES OF 4Ps.

SEC. 3. Section 3 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 3. *Definition of Terms.* – As used in this Act, the following terms are defined, as follows:

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“(b) [Case Management refers to a process used by the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) to enable the household beneficiaries to improve their functioning by dealing with their difficulties specifically in complying with the terms of the program] COMMUNITY-BASED MONITORING SYSTEM (CBMS) REFERS TO AN ORGANIZED TECHNOLOGY-BASED SYSTEM OF COLLECTING, PROCESSING, AND VALIDATING NECESSARY DISAGGREGATED DATA THAT MAY BE USED FOR PLANNING PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION AND IMPACT MONITORING AT THE LOCAL LEVEL WHILE EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROCESS. IT INVOLVES THE GENERATION OF DATA AT THE LOCAL LEVEL WHICH SERVES AS BASIS IN TARGETING HOUSEHOLDS IN THE PLANNING, BUDGETING, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS GEARED TOWARDS POVERTY ALLEVIATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. THIS SYSTEM MERGES THE METHODOLOGIES USED IN DATA COLLECTION ACTIVITIES OF ALL NATIONAL AGENCIES, GEO-TAGGING, AND THE CBMS IMPLEMENTED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs). IT ENTAILS A CENSUS OF HOUSEHOLDS UNDERTAKEN BY THE LGUS WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF THE COMMUNITY USING ACCELERATED POVERTY PROFILING SYSTEM IN THE DATA COLLECTION, PROCESSING, MAPPING, AND ANALYSIS OF DATA;

“(c) Compliance Verification refers to the checking and monitoring undertaken to ensure that the qualified [household] FAMILY-beneficiaries comply with conditions for entitlement set forth by the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps);

“(d) Conditional Cash Grant refers to the amount received by the qualified [household] FAMILY-beneficiaries who comply with the conditions for entitlement; “(D-1) FIRST ONE THOUSAND (1,000) DAYS REFERS TO THE PERIOD OF A CHILD’S LIFE, SPANNING THE NINE (9) MONTHS IN THE WOMB STARTING FROM CONCEPTION TO THE FIRST TWENTY-FOUR (24) MONTHS OF LIFE, WHICH IS CONSIDERED TO BE THE CRITICAL WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY TO PROMOTE HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT AND PREVENT MALNUTRITION AND ITS LIFE-LONG CONSEQUENCES;

“(D-2) GRADUATION REFERS TO THE EVENTUAL EXIT FROM THE PROGRAM, DETERMINED BY THE SELF-SUFFICIENCY LEVEL OF FAMILY-BENEFICIARIES USING THE SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT INDICATOR (SWDI) AND OTHER RELATED TOOLS;

“(e) Grantee refers to the most responsible adult member of the qualified [household] FAMILY-beneficiary authorized to receive the conditional cash transfer;

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(i) Poor refers to [households] INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES whose income falls below the poverty threshold as defined by the [National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA)] DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMY, PLANNING, AND DEVELOPMENT (DEPDEV) and/OR cannot afford in a sustained manner to provide their minimum basic needs of food, health, education, housing and other essential amenities of life;

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“(k) Qualified [Household] FAMILY-Beneficiaries refer to [households] FAMILIES identified by the DSWD for entitlement to the monthly conditional cash grants as provided under Section 6 of this Act;

“(l) Responsible Person refers to the parent or guardian in the qualified [household] FAMILY-beneficiary;

“(m) [Standardized Targeting System refers to a system for identifying who and where the poor households are through the generation of socioeconomic database of poor households that is adopted by national government agencies and implemented by the DSWD] SOCIAL CASE MANAGEMENT REFERS TO A STRUCTURED APPROACH TO PROBLEM-SOLVING WHERE A CASE MANAGER AND A FAMILY-BENEFICIARY AGREE ON THE NEEDS OF THE FAMILY, INCLUDING THE STEPS REQUIRED TO MEET THEM, AND WHEREIN THE ROLE OF THE CASE MANAGER IS TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE AND HELP FAMILIES NAVIGATE CHALLENGES TO ACHIEVE AN IMPROVED LEVEL OF WELL-BEING; [and]

“(n) *Sustainable Livelihood Program* refers to the livelihood and capability building program managed by the DSWD for the poor, vulnerable and marginalized families and individuals to help improve their socioeconomic conditions. The one-time livelihood assistance is in the form of microenterprise development (MD) and employment facilitation (EF). The MD track provides microenterprise interventions to the poor or savings generation while the EF track provides interventions that facilitate employment [.]

“(O) TRANSITIONING BENEFICIARY REFERS TO A FAMILY THAT IS NEARING OR HAS MET THE PROGRAM’S CONDITIONS AND IS SCHEDULED FOR GRADUATION FROM THE 4PS PROGRAM”; AND

“(P) TRANSITION PROGRAM REFERS TO A COMPREHENSIVE SET OF INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORT MECHANISMS ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS ACT.”

SEC. 4. Section 4 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 4 *The Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps)*. - The Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) is the national poverty reduction strategy and a human capital investment program that provides conditional cash transfer to poor households for a maximum period of seven (7) years to improve the health, nutrition and education aspect of their lives[.]: *PROVIDED*, HOWEVER, THAT FAMILY-BENEFICIARIES WHO ARE STILL POOR AFTER THE LAPSE OF THE MAXIMUM SEVEN-YEAR (7) PERIOD, AS DETERMINED BY THE SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT INDICATOR (SWDI) OR ANY GOVERNMENT-ADOPTED EXIT TOOL, SHALL REMAIN IN THE PROGRAM AS MAY BE RECOMMENDED BY THE CASE MANAGER. [The National Advisory Council (NAC) may recommend a longer period under exceptional circumstances.]

SEC. 5. Section 15 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 15. *Advisory Council*. – The Advisory Council shall be created at the regional and national levels to be headed by the DSWD. The regional advisory councils and NAC shall have, as members, representatives from the DSWD, Department of Health (DOH), Department of Education (DepEd), Department of Agriculture (DA), Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR), Department of Science and Technology (DOST), DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (DHSUD), COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION (CHED), and Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA). The regional advisory councils and NAC shall also have, as additional members, two (2) representatives from accredited nongovernmental organizations working or monitoring social welfare service programs.

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SEC. 6. Section 5 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 5. *Selection of Qualified [Household] FAMILY-Beneficiaries*. – On a nationwide basis, [the DSWD shall select] qualified [household] FAMILY-beneficiaries of the 4Ps [using a standardized targeting system] SHALL BE GENERATED BY THE COMMUNITY-BASED MONITORING SYSTEM (CBMS). [It shall conduct a regular revalidation of beneficiary targeting every three (3) years.]”

SEC. 7. Section 6 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 6. *Eligible Beneficiaries*. – Farmers, fisherfolks, homeless families, indigenous peoples, those in the informal settler sector and those in geographically isolated and disadvantaged areas including those in areas without electricity shall be automatically included [in the standardized targeting system to be conducted by the DSWD]: *Provided*, That to be eligible for the cash grants, households or families must meet the following criteria:

(a) Classified as poor and near-poor based on the [Standardized Targeting System] CBMS and the poverty threshold issued by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) at the time of selection;

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SEC. 8. Section 7 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 7. *Conditional Cash Transfer to Beneficiaries.* – The Advisory Council shall determine the amount of conditional cash transfer to beneficiaries with the following schemes:

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(d) Health and nutrition grant shall not be lower than Seven hundred fifty pesos (P750.00) per month for a maximum of twelve (12) months per year.

Health/nutrition grant component aims to promote healthy practices and family development, [improve the health nutritional status of pregnant and postpartum mothers, infants and young children,] and increase the use of health services by the household-beneficiary. The health grant is a fixed amount and does not depend on the number of members in the household[.]; AND

“(E) CONDITIONAL CASH TRANSFER GRANT PER PREGNANT WOMAN OR CHILD UP TO TWO (2) YEARS OLD SHALL NOT BE LOWER THAN THREE HUNDRED FIFTY PESOS (P350.00) PER MONTH FOR A MAXIMUM OF TWELVE (12) MONTHS PER YEAR.

THE FIRST ONE THOUSAND (1,000) DAYS GRANT AIMS TO SUPPORT THE FOUNDATIONAL PERIOD OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND NUTRITIONAL STATUS OF PREGNANT AND POSTPARTUM MOTHERS, INFANTS, AND YOUNG CHILDREN.”

SEC. 9. A new Section denominated as Section 7-A is hereby inserted after Section 7 of the same Act to read as follows:

“SEC. 7-A. *RICE SUBSIDY.* – PROVISION OF RICE SUBSIDY SHALL BE PAID ON TOP OF CASH GRANTS TO COMPLIANT HOUSEHOLDS. THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF RICE SUBSIDY SHALL NOT BE LOWER THAN SIX HUNDRED PESOS (P600.00) PER MONTH FOR A MAXIMUM OF TWELVE (12) MONTHS PER YEAR.”

SEC. 10. Section 8 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 8. *Coverage in the National Health Insurance Program (NHIP).* – All beneficiaries of 4Ps as identified by the [standardized targeting system] CBMS to

1 be qualified [household] FAMILY-beneficiaries of the 4Ps shall automatically be
2 covered in the NHIP. The necessary funding for their coverage shall be sourced
3 from revenue generated pursuant to Republic Act No. 10351, otherwise known as
4 the "Sin Tax Reform Act of 2012".

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6 SEC. 11. Section 11 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

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8 "SEC. 11. *Conditions for Entitlement.* - All qualified [household] FAMILY-
9 beneficiaries shall comply with all the following conditions as a requirement for
10 continued program eligibility:

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14 "(e) Children five (5) to eighteen (18) years old must attend elementary or
15 secondary classes at least eighty-five percent (85%) of their time; [and]

16 "(f) At least one (1) responsible person must attend family development sessions
17 conducted by the DSWD, at least once a month[.] AND

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19 "(G) AT LEAST ONE (1) ADULT BENEFICIARY IS URGED TO JOIN AND
20 COMPLETE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING TRACKS OF ADULT EDUCATION
21 SUCH AS:

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23 (1) THE ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM (ALS) OF THE
24 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (DEPED) TRACK. THE ALS TRACK
25 REFERS TO A PARALLEL LEARNING SYSTEM THAT PROVIDES A
26 VIABLE ALTERNATIVE TO THE EXISTING FORMAL EDUCATION
27 INSTRUCTION AND ENCOMPASSES BOTH NON-FORMAL AND
28 INFORMAL SOURCES OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS;

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30 (2) ENTREPRENEURSHIP TRACK OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE
31 AND INDUSTRY (DTI) AND DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND
32 DEVELOPMENT. THIS REFERS TO INTERVENTIONS WHICH FOCUS
33 ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MICRO-ENTERPRISE THROUGH
34 ENHANCEMENT OF SKILLS, PROVISION OF FINANCIAL CAPITAL AND
35 BUILDING OR RE-BUILDING PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ASSETS, AND
36 WHICH COVERS PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT, MARKETING, AND BASIC
37 BUSINESS FINANCE; OR

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39 (3) TRAINING FOR EMPLOYMENT TRACK FACILITATED BY THE
40 TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
41 (TESDA). THIS REFERS TO TESDA-REGISTERED PROGRAMS
42 DELIVERED BY TESDA TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTIONS, PUBLIC AND
43 PRIVATE TECHNICAL VOCATIONAL INSTITUTES, HIGHER
44 EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS, STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES,
45 LOCAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES OFFERING TECHNICAL
46 VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING (TVET) PROGRAMS, AND

CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS. TO ENSURE QUALITY-ASSURED IMPLEMENTATION THROUGH THIS TRACK, LEARNERS AND WORKERS ARE PROVIDED WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO ACQUIRE, OR UPGRADE, THEIR KNOWLEDGE, SKILL, VALUES, AND ATTITUDE REQUIRED AS QUALIFICATIONS FOR A JOB OR RANGE OF JOBS IN A GIVEN OCCUPATIONAL AREA.

THE AVAILMENT OF ADULT EDUCATION SHALL BE VOLUNTARY AND SHALL COMMENCE ON THE SECOND YEAR OF ENROLLMENT OR AS MAY BE DETERMINED BY THE CASE MANAGER.

AS USED IN THIS ACT, ADULT EDUCATION REFERS TO INTERVENTIONS THAT IMPROVE TECHNICAL OR PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS, FURTHER DEVELOP ABILITIES, ACQUIRE OR ENRICH KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES IN A NEW FIELD THROUGH ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM TRACK, ENTREPRENEURSHIP TRACK OR EMPLOYMENT TRACK.”

Any or all of the conditions for entitlement may be suspended by the DSWD Secretary during times of calamities, war and armed conflicts[.] AND OTHER FORCE MAJEURE SITUATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH RELEVANT LAWS AND DSWD GUIDELINES. IN SUCH CASES, FULL COMPLIANCE TO SUCH CONDITIONS ARE DEEMED WAIVED AND PAYMENTS TO BENEFICIARIES SHALL BE GRANTED IN FULL.”

SEC. 12. A new Section denominated as Section 11-A is hereby inserted after Section 11 of the same Act to read as follows:

“SEC. 11-A. *EXIT FROM 4PS*. – A QUALIFIED FAMILY- BENEFICIARY SHALL BE DEEMED TO EXIT FROM THE PROGRAM, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST, WHEN:

- (A) THE FAMILY HAS GRADUATED FROM THE PROGRAM UPON ACHIEVEMENT OF THE SELF-SUFFICIENCY LEVEL OF WELL-BEING USING THE SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT INDICATOR (SWDI);
- (B) THE FAMILY, INCLUDING EVERY MONITORED CHILD, FAILS TO COMPLY WITH ONE OR MORE OF THE PROGRAM'S CONDITIONS, DESPITE EXHAUSTIVE INTERVENTIONS THROUGH INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT;
- (C) THE FAMILY VOLUNTARILY WAIVES ITS MEMBERSHIP FROM THE PROGRAM; OR

1 (D) THE FAMILY COMMITS AN OFFENSE THAT RESULTS IN THEIR
2 REMOVAL FROM THE PROGRAM, AS PER THE STANDARDS SET
3 BY THE DSWD.
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5 A QUALIFIED FAMILY-BENEFICIARY SHALL REMAIN IN THE PROGRAM AND
6 SHALL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE SUPPORT THROUGH SOCIAL CASE
7 MANAGEMENT. FOR THIS PURPOSE, THE EXISTING 4PS NATIONAL
8 PROGRAM MANAGEMENT OFFICE (NPMO) SHALL BE CONVERTED INTO
9 THE 4PS BUREAU, SUBJECT TO THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE DBM,
10 WHICH SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DELIVERY AND OVERSIGHT OF
11 SOCIAL CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES.”
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13 SEC. 13. Section 12 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:
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15 “SEC. 12. *Noncompliance with Conditions.* – The responsible person of a reported
16 qualified [household] FAMILY-beneficiary who fails to comply with conditions set
17 forth in Section 11 of this Act shall at first be notified in writing and the payment of
18 cash grants will immediately be terminated. After four (4) months of
19 noncompliance, the [household] FAMILY-beneficiary shall be subject to case
20 management process of DSWD.
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22 SEC. 14. Section 13 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:
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24 “SEC. 13. [Livelihood] POST SKILLS TRAINING AND LIVELIHOOD Interventions.
25 – [Qualified household-] FAMILY-beneficiaries shall be given priority in the
26 availment of the modalities and interventions [under DSWD’s Sustainable Livelihood
27 Program (SLP) or other appropriate or similar programs offered by other
28 government agencies or accredited private institutions.] OF THE GOVERNMENT
29 PROGRAMS AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THEIR SELECTED TRACK OF
30 ADULT EDUCATION.
31

32 (A) ADULT EDUCATION BENEFICIARIES WHO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED
33 THE ENTREPRENEURSHIP TRACK SHALL BE GIVEN ASSISTANCE BY THE
34 DTI TO ENSURE EASE OF ESTABLISHING A MICRO OR SMALL BUSINESS
35 ENTERPRISE AND THE LINK TO THE TARGET CLIENTELE OF THE 4PS
36 ENTREPRENEUR.
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38 (B) THE ADULT EDUCATION BENEFICIARIES WHO SUCCESSFULLY
39 COMPLETED THE TRAINING FOR EMPLOYMENT TRACK SHALL BE GIVEN
40 JOB FACILITATION ASSISTANCE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND
41 EMPLOYMENT.
42

43 (C) THE ADULT EDUCATION BENEFICIARIES WHO SUCCESSFULLY
44 COMPLETED ALS TRACK UNTIL THEY FINISH SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL SHALL
45 BE GIVEN ASSISTANCE TO ENSURE THEIR PURSUIT OF HIGHER LEARNING
46 OR EMPLOYMENT.
47

1 “[The household-beneficiary shall also be given priority in the availment of the
2 employment facilitation services provided by the SLP or other employment
3 programs of appropriate government agencies implementing the same.]”
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5 LIVELIHOOD INTERVENTION IS A MANDATORY COMPONENT OF THE
6 HUMAN CAPITAL INVESTMENT PROGRAM FOR ALL QUALIFIED 4PS
7 FAMILY-BENEFICIARIES TOWARDS ACHIEVING GRADUATION AND
8 SECURING SUSTAINABLE SOURCES OF INCOME NECESSARY FOR AN
9 IMPROVED QUALITY OF LIFE.”
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11 SEC. 15. Section 14 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:
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13 “SEC. 14. *Lead Agency.* – The DSWD shall serve as the central planning,
14 coordinating, implementing and monitoring body of the Program.
15 In the implementation of this Act, the DSWD shall perform the following functions:
16

17 “(a) [Select and use an appropriate, effective and cost-efficient method to identify
18 and select qualified household-beneficiaries] IDENTIFY THE COVERAGE OF
19 THE 4Ps BASED ON CBMS;
20

21 “(b) Identify [and select] the target NUMBER OF [household] FAMILY-beneficiaries
22 on the basis of [a uniform, objective and transparent selection process] THE
23 PREVAILING POVERTY LEVEL as indicated in Section 5 of this Act;
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25 x x x
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27 “(f) [Identify the coverage of the 4Ps based on the Standardized Targeting System]
28 INTENSIFY SOCIAL CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR 4PS
29 BENEFICIARIES, AS INDICATED IN SECTION 11-A OF THIS ACT, TO
30 FACILITATE THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE SELF-SUFFICIENCY LEVEL OF
31 WELL-BEING AND THEIR EVENTUAL GRADUATION FROM THE PROGRAM;
32

33 “(g) Provide the seminar-workshops and training programs to educate qualified
34 [household] FAMILY-beneficiaries about the conditions and other actions pertinent
35 to this Act;
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37 “(h) Organize a session on entrepreneurship and disaster preparedness and risk
38 reduction or arrange a community development activity in the qualified [household]
39 FAMILY-beneficiaries’ respective barangay or municipality or city, whichever is
40 available annually;
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42 x x x.”
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44 SEC. 16. Section 24 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:
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46 “[SEC. 24. Penalties.— Any person, whether or not acting in conspiracy with public
47 officials, who, by act or omission, inserts or allows the insertion of data or false

information, or who diverts from what ought to be contained in the registry, with the view of altering the fact, or aiding in the grant of the money to persons other than the qualified household-beneficiaries, shall be penalized with imprisonment of not less than one (1) month but not more than one (1) year, or a fine of not less than Ten thousand pesos (₱10,000.00) but not more than One hundred thousand pesos (₱100,000.00) or both imprisonment and fine, at the discretion of the court. A public official who commits any of the acts provided herein shall be penalized with temporary disqualification to hold public office. Administrative sanctions shall be imposed without prejudice to prosecution in the proper courts.]”

“SEC. 24. PROHIBITED ACTS. – THE FOLLOWING ARE DECLARED UNLAWFUL:

“(A) IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON, WHETHER OR NOT ACTING IN CONSPIRACY WITH PUBLIC OFFICIALS, WHO, BY ACT OR OMISSION, INSERTS OR ALLOWS THE INSERTION OF DATA OR FALSE INFORMATION, OR WHO DIVERTS FROM WHAT OUGHT TO BE CONTAINED IN THE REGISTRY, WITH THE VIEW OF ALTERING THE FACT, OR AIDING IN THE GRANT OF THE MONEY TO PERSONS OTHER THAN THE QUALIFIED FAMILY-BENEFICIARIES; AND

“(B) LIKEWISE, IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL OR ORGANIZATION TO COMMIT THE FOLLOWING ACTS:

“I. USE THE CASH GRANTS OR TRANSACTION CARDS AND OTHER 4PS DOCUMENTS OF THE FAMILY-BENEFICIARIES AS LOAN COLLATERAL;

“II. FACILITATE ANY TRANSACTION INVOLVING THE USE OF THE CASH GRANTS OR TRANSACTION CARDS AND OTHER 4PS DOCUMENTS OF THE FAMILY-BENEFICIARIES FOR A FEE OR COMMISSION; AND

“III. WITHDRAW THE CASH GRANTS USING THE TRANSACTION CARDS OF QUALIFIED FAMILY-BENEFICIARIES WITHOUT EXPRESS AUTHORITY STATING JUSTIFIABLE GROUNDS THEREFOR.”

SEC. 17. A new Section denominated as Section 24-A is hereby inserted after Section 24 of the same Act to read as follows:

“SEC. 24-A. PENALTIES. – ANY PERSON, GROUP, OR ORGANIZATION WHO VIOLATES SECTION 24 OF THIS ACT SHALL BE PENALIZED WITH IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN ONE (1) MONTH BUT NOT MORE THAN ONE (1) YEAR, OR A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN TEN THOUSAND PESOS (P10,000.00) BUT NOT MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P100,000.00) OR BOTH IMPRISONMENT AND FINE: *PROVIDED*, THAT ANY PUBLIC OFFICIAL WHO VIOLATES SECTION 24 OF THIS ACT SHALL BE PENALIZED WITH TEMPORARY DISQUALIFICATION TO HOLD PUBLIC

1 OFFICE IN ADDITION TO OTHER APPLICABLE ADMINISTRATIVE
2 SANCTIONS.”

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4 SEC. 18. New sections after Section 24 of the same Act are hereby inserted, to read as
5 follows:

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7 SEC. 25. *ESTABLISHMENT OF 4PS SUPPORT TO TERTIARY EDUCATION*
8 *AND EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (4PS STEEP)*. — THE DSWD SHALL
9 ESTABLISH A 4PS SUPPORT TO TERTIARY EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT
10 PROGRAM (4PS STEEP) AS A MECHANISM FOR CHILDREN OF FAMILY-
11 BENEFICIARIES OF 4PS TO DEVELOP INTEREST IN POSTSECONDARY
12 EDUCATION, ASSIST IN THE ACCESS AND COMPLETION OF TERTIARY
13 EDUCATION, AND ENSURE PRIORITIZATION OF 4PS STEEP BENEFICIARY
14 IN EMPLOYMENT.

15
16 (A) ACCOMMODATION IN EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE. — A 4PS
17 STEEP BENEFICIARY MAY APPLY FOR ANY EDUCATIONAL
18 ASSISTANCE SUCH AS, SCHOLARSHIP, GRANT, STUDENT LOAN,
19 SUBSIDIES, FINANCIAL AID, OR OTHER INCENTIVES. PUBLIC OR
20 PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS OFFERING
21 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE SHALL PRIORITIZE THE 4PS STEEP-
22 BENEFICIARY APPLICANT: *PROVIDED*, THAT THE 4PS STEEP
23 BENEFICIARY APPLYING FOR EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE
24 SATISFACTORILY MEETS THE QUALIFICATIONS,
25 REQUIREMENTS, OR CONDITIONS SET FORTH BY THE
26 INSTITUTION OR ORGANIZATION.

27
28 (B) INSTITUTIONAL ACCOMMODATION IN ENROLLMENT. —
29 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, PUBLIC AND PRIVATE OFFERING
30 EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE SUCH AS, SCHOLARSHIP, GRANT,
31 STUDENT LOAN, SUBSIDIES, FINANCIAL AID, OR OTHER
32 INCENTIVES, SHALL ALLOT NOT LESS THAN TEN PERCENT (10%)
33 OF THEIR AVAILABLE SLOTS FOR ENROLLMENT AND AVAILMENT
34 OF EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE, AS THE CASE MAY BE, IN
35 PRIORITIZING QUALIFIED 4PS STEEP BENEFICIARIES PURSUING
36 TERTIARY-LEVEL EDUCATION IN THEIR INSTITUTION: *PROVIDED*,
37 THAT THE 4PS STEEP BENEFICIARY SHALL PASS OR FULFILL
38 THE QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE EDUCATIONAL
39 INSTITUTION.

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41 (C) ACCOMMODATION FOR EMPLOYMENT. — TEN PERCENT (10%)
42 OF ALL CONTRACTUAL AND CASUAL POSITIONS IN AGENCIES,
43 OFFICES OR CORPORATIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT SHALL BE
44 PRIORITIZED FOR 4PS STEEP BENEFICIARIES: *PROVIDED*, THAT
45 THE 4PS STEEP APPLYING FOR THE POSITION SHALL MEET THE
46 TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT.

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2 A 4PS STEEP BENEFICIARY SHALL BE GIVEN PRIORITY STATUS
3 UPON ENLISTMENT IN THE MILITARY AND UNIFORMED
4 PERSONNEL SERVICES, SUCH AS THE SERVICE BRANCHES OF
5 THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES, THE PHILIPPINE
6 NATIONAL POLICE, THE PHILIPPINE COAST GUARD, THE BUREAU
7 OF FIRE PROTECTION, BUREAU OF JAIL MANAGEMENT AND
8 PENOLOGY, BUREAU OF CORRECTIONS, AND OTHER
9 GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS INVOLVED IN NATIONAL DEFENSE,
10 ENFORCEMENT OF LAWS, AND IN THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE,
11 ORDER, AND SECURITY OF THE COUNTRY.
12

13 (D) INCENTIVES FOR EMPLOYERS. — TO ENCOURAGE THE
14 PARTICIPATION OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN THE POVERTY
15 REDUCTION PROGRAM OF THE GOVERNMENT, PRIVATE
16 ENTITIES THAT EMPLOY 4PS STEEP BENEFICIARIES WHO MEET
17 THE SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED BY THE POSITIONS
18 APPLIED FOR SHALL BE ENTITLED TO AN ADDITIONAL
19 DEDUCTION FOR FIVE (5) YEARS, FROM THEIR GROSS INCOME,
20 EQUIVALENT TO FIFTEEN PERCENT (15%) OF THE TOTAL
21 AMOUNT PAID AS SALARIES AND WAGES TO 4PS STEEP
22 BENEFICIARIES: *PROVIDED*, THAT SUCH PRIVATE ENTITIES
23 PRESENT PROOF CERTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
24 AND EMPLOYMENT (DOLE) AND THE DSWD THAT SUCH 4PS
25 STEEP BENEFICIARIES ARE UNDER THEIR EMPLOY.
26

27 SEC. 26. *ESTABLISHMENT OF 4PS COMPREHENSIVE DATABASE.* —
28 THE DSWD IN COORDINATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
29 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY SHALL
30 ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A DATABASE SYSTEM CONTAINING AN
31 UPDATED ROSTER OF ALL FAMILY-BENEFICIARIES INCLUDING THE
32 STATUS OF THOSE WHO GRADUATED FROM THE PROGRAM.
33

34 SEC. 27. *SERVICES AND INTERVENTIONS PROGRAM FOR EXITING*
35 *AND GRADUATED BENEFICIARIES.* — THE PROGRAM SHALL
36 PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING SUPPORT TO EXITING AND GRADUATED
37 BENEFICIARIES:
38

39 (A) LIVELIHOOD AND SKILLS TRAINING. THE PROGRAM SHALL
40 OFFER VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL SKILLS TRAINING IN
41 COORDINATION WITH THE TESDA AND OTHER RELEVANT
42 GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. THE TRAINING SHALL BE BASED ON
43 LOCAL MARKET DEMANDS TO ENSURE EMPLOYABILITY.
44

45 (B) FINANCIAL LITERACY AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
46 WORKSHOPS. BENEFICIARIES SHALL BE ENROLLED IN

1 MANDATORY WORKSHOPS ON BASIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT,
2 SAVINGS, CREDIT, AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP. THIS SHALL
3 INCLUDE ASSISTANCE IN DEVELOPING BUSINESS PLANS AND
4 ACCESSING START-UP CAPITAL.

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6 (C) ACCESS TO MICRO-FINANCING. THE PROGRAM SHALL
7 FACILITATE ACCESS TO MICRO-FINANCING AND CREDIT
8 FACILITIES FROM GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND
9 ACCREDITED PRIVATE PARTNERS AT PREFERENTIAL RATES TO
10 SUPPORT SMALL-SCALE ENTERPRISES INITIATED BY
11 BENEFICIARIES.

12
13 (D) JOB PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE. IN COLLABORATION WITH
14 THE DOLE AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR, THE PROGRAM SHALL
15 PROVIDE JOB MATCHING, CAREER COUNSELING, AND JOB FAIR
16 FACILITATION TO ASSIST TRANSITIONING BENEFICIARIES IN
17 SECURING STABLE EMPLOYMENT.

18
19 (E) EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR CHILDREN. TO PREVENT
20 BENEFICIARIES FROM REVERTING TO POVERTY, THE PROGRAM
21 SHALL PROVIDE CONTINUED EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT, SUCH AS
22 SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS, FOR THE CHILDREN OF
23 TRANSITIONING BENEFICIARIES WHO ARE ENROLLED IN HIGHER
24 EDUCATION OR VOCATIONAL COURSES.

25
26 THE DSWD SHALL COLLABORATE WITH THE DOLE, THE
27 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AND
28 OTHER AGENCIES OF GOVERNMENT AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN
29 THE PROVISION OF SERVICES AND INTERVENTIONS THROUGH A
30 PACKAGE OF SUPPORT SERVICES TO EXITING AND GRADUATED
31 FAMILIES, WHICH SHALL BE PROVIDED AS PART OF THE
32 SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM FOR 4PS BENEFICIARIES WITH THE AIM
33 OF REDUCING POVERTY AND VULNERABILITY.

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35 THE DOH, DEPED, CHED, TESDA, DTI, AND DOLE SHALL FACILITATE
36 AND ADDRESS THE IDENTIFIED SUPPLY-SIDE GAPS AND CONCERNS
37 FOR HEALTH, NUTRITION, EDUCATION, LIVELIHOOD, AND
38 EMPLOYMENT. SPECIFICALLY, THEY SHALL IMPLEMENT SKILLS
39 UPGRADING INITIATIVES FOR BENEFICIARIES TO ENHANCE
40 EMPLOYABILITY AND INCOME GENERATION. FURTHERMORE, THEY
41 SHALL DESIGN APPROPRIATE PROGRAMS, SERVICES AND
42 INTERVENTIONS TO SUIT THE NEEDS AND ADDRESS THE SPECIFIC
43 CHALLENGES FACED BY VULNERABLE GROUPS AND SECTORS
44 WITHIN THE 4PS SUCH AS, WOMEN, PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES,
45 AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLE ESPECIALLY THOSE IN
46 GEOGRAPHICALLY ISOLATED AND DISADVANTAGED AREAS.

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2 ALL PROVINCES, CITIES, AND MUNICIPALITIES SHALL ENACT A
3 COMPREHENSIVE LOCAL SOCIAL PROTECTION ORDINANCE, WHICH
4 SHALL MANDATE THE DELIVERY OF ADEQUATE SOCIAL
5 PROTECTION SERVICES FOR 4PS HOUSEHOLDS AFTER THEIR
6 GRADUATION FROM THE PROGRAM. THEY SHALL INCLUDE 4PS-
7 RELATED PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES IN THEIR BUDGET
8 ALLOCATION THROUGH THE ANNUAL INVESTMENT PLAN,
9 COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN, AND LOCAL POVERTY
10 REDUCTION ACTION PLAN TO COMPLEMENT THE IMPLEMENTATION
11 OF THE 4PS PROGRAM.
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13 SEC. 19. All succeeding sections of the same Act are renumbered accordingly.
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15 SEC. 20. *Appropriations.* – The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall
16 be charged against the current year's appropriations of the DSWD and other concerned
17 agencies. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for the continued implementation
18 of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.
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20 The local government units may set aside from any available local revenue an amount
21 deemed appropriate for the implementation of this Act.
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23 SEC. 21. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* - Within six (6) months after the effectivity
24 of this Act, the DSWD shall, in consultation with concerned stakeholders and other
25 government agencies, promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the proper
26 implementation of this Act.
27

28 SEC. 22. *Separability Clause.* - Should any provision of this Act be found unconstitutional
29 by a court of law, such provision shall be severed from the remainder of this Act, and such
30 action shall not affect the enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Act.
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32 SEC. 23. *Repealing Clause.* - All laws, decrees, letters of instruction, resolutions, orders
33 or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed,
34 modified or amended accordingly.
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36 SEC. 24. *Effectivity.* This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
37 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.
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39 Approved,

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HOUSE BILL NO. 8647

(In substitution of House Bills Numbered 326, 1040, 1434, 2789, 3323, 3450, 3507, 4522, 4900, 5093, 5854, 6734, 7361)

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“AN ACT STRENGTHENING AND EXPANDING THE PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4Ps), AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11310, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4Ps) ACT"

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OBJECTIVES:

- To promote socio-economic resilience among the beneficiaries of 4Ps.
- To promote education among adult beneficiaries of 4Ps through an alternative learning system, entrepreneurship training, and employment training to achieve sustainable development.
- To provide a systematic, comprehensive and holistic support, and a transition program for the graduating beneficiaries of 4Ps.
- To provide additional cash grants for maternal and child health, as well as a rice subsidy.

KEY PROVISIONS:

- The Community-Based Monitoring System shall be used for the selection of qualified beneficiaries.
- Provides that after the lapse of seven (7) years, household-beneficiaries who are still poor as determined by the Social Welfare and Development Indicator or any government-adopted exit tool will remain in the program, as may be recommended by the Case Manager.
- Provides that at least one (1) adult beneficiary may join and complete any of the following tracks of adult education: 1) Alternative Learning System (ALS) of the Department of Education Track; 2) Entrepreneurship Track of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) and Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD); and 3) Training for Employment Track of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority. Availing of a specific track should be voluntary and shall commence on the second year of enrollment or as may be determined by the Case Manager.
- Provides Post Skills Training Interventions where adult education shall be given priority in the government programs after the completion of their selected track in the DTI, Department of Labor and Employment, and higher education institutions.
- Provision of an Advisory Council for the regional and national levels to be headed by the DSWD.
- Inclusion of Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development and Commission on Higher Education in the regional advisory councils and National Advisory Council.
- Provides Support to Tertiary Education and Employment Programs (4Ps STEEP) as a mechanism for children of household-beneficiaries of the 4Ps to develop interest in postsecondary education, assist in the access and completion of tertiary education, and ensure prioritization of 4Ps STEEP Beneficiary in Employment.
- Establishment of 4Ps Comprehensive Database.
- Provides services and interventions program for the beneficiaries towards achieving graduation and securing sustainable sources of income: 1) Livelihood and Skills Training; 2) Financial Literacy and Entrepreneurship Workshops; 3)

Access to Micro-Financing; 4) Job Placement Assistance; 5) Educational Assistance for Children such as scholarship and other grants.

- Provision on Prohibited Acts such as misrepresentation in the registry, use of the cash grants as loan collateral for a fee, or withdrawal without authority.

RELATED LAWS:

- 1) Republic Act No. 11310: "Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) Act"
- 2) Republic Act No. 11315: "Community-Based Monitoring System Act"
- 3) Republic Act No. No. 11291: "Magna Carta of the Poor"
- 4) Republic Act No. 8425: "Social Reform and Poverty Alleviation Act"
- 5) Republic Act No. 9501: "Magna Carta for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)"
- 6) Republic Act No. 9178: "Barangay Micro Business Enterprises (BMBEs) Act of 2002"
- 7) Republic Act No. 9155: "Governance of Basic Education Act of 2001"
- 8) Republic Act No. 11510: "Alternative Learning System Act"
- 9) Republic Act No. 10931: "Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education Act of 2017"
- 10) Republic Act No. 11148: "Kalusugan at Nutrisyon ng Mag-Nanay Act"
- 11) Executive Order No. 44, s. 2023: "Walang Gutom 2027: Food Stamp Program"
- 12) Department of Social Welfare and Development (DWSD) Memorandum Circular No. 22, Series of 2019: "Comprehensive Guidelines on the Implementation of the Sustainable Livelihood Program"