



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 8392

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**AN ACT DECLARING NATIONAL ELECTION DAY AS REGULAR NON-WORKING
HOLIDAY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 26, CHAPTER 7, BOOK
I OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 292, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1987"**

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

1 **SECTION 1.** It is hereby declared that every national election shall be a regular non-
2 working holiday to incentivize the electorate who exercise their democratic right of
3 suffrage.

4 **SEC. 2.** The term "national election" shall include activities such as plebiscites,
5 referenda, people's initiatives, recall elections, special elections, other processes
6 of voting of a similar nature which are national in scope.

7 **SEC. 3.** Section 26, Chapter 7, Book I of Executive Order No. 292, otherwise known
8 as "The Administrative Code of 1987", as amended, is hereby further amended to
9 read as follows:

10 **"SECTION 26. Regular Holidays and Nationwide Special Days. – (1)**
11 Unless otherwise modified by law, order, or proclamation, the following
12 regular holidays and special days shall be observed in the country:
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14 **"(A) Regular Holidays**

New Year's Day	January 1
Maundy Thursday	Movable Date

Good Friday	Movable Date
Eidul Fitr	Movable Date
Eidul Adha	Movable Date
Araw ng Kagitingan (Bataan and Corregidor Day)	Monday nearest April 9
Labor Day	Monday nearest May 1
NATIONAL ELECTION DAY	DAY DESIGNATED BY LAW FOR THE HOLDING OF A NATIONAL ELECTION
Independence Day	Monday nearest June 12
National Heroes Day	Last Monday of August
Bonifacio Day	Monday nearest November 30
Christmas Day	December 25
Rizal Day	Monday nearest December 30

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2 **SEC. 4.** All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, issuances, rules and
3 regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby
4 repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

5 **SEC. 5.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
6 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,