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AN ACT

**AMENDING SECTION 5 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9367, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE
“BIOFUELS ACT OF 2006”**

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

1 **SECTION 1.** This Act shall be known as the *“Oil Price Stabilization”* Act.

2 **SEC. 2.** It is hereby declared the policy of the State to protect public interest by
3 providing reasonably-priced petroleum products to consumers. To this end, the State
4 shall implement policies and programs to ensure the delivery of affordable fuel to the
5 public.

6 **SEC. 3.** Section 5 of Republic Act No. 9367, otherwise known as the *“Biofuels Act of*
7 *2006,”* as amended by Republic Act No. 10745, is hereby further amended to read as
8 follows:

1 **“SEC. 5. Mandatory Use of Biofuels.** – Pursuant to the above policy, it is hereby
2 mandated that all liquid fuels for motors and engines sold in the Philippines shall
3 contain locally-sourced biofuel components as follows:

4 5.1. Within two (2) years from the effectivity of this Act, at least five percent (5%)
5 bioethanol shall comprise the annual total volume of gasoline fuel actually sold and
6 distributed by each and every oil company in the country, subject to the requirement
7 that all bioethanol blended gasoline shall contain a minimum of five percent (5%)
8 bioethanol fuel by volume: *Provided*, That the ethanol blend conforms to PNS.

9 5.2. Within four (4) years from the effectivity of this Act, the NBB created under this
10 Act is empowered to determine the feasibility and thereafter recommend to the DOE
11 to mandate a minimum of ten percent (10%) blend of bioethanol by volume into all
12 gasoline fuel distributed and sold by each and every oil company in the country.

13 In the event of supply shortage of locally-produced bioethanol during the four-year
14 period, oil companies shall be allowed to import bioethanol but only to the extent of the
15 shortage as may be determined by the NBB.

16 5.3. Within three (3) months from the effectivity of this Act, a minimum of one percent
17 (1%) biodiesel by volume shall be blended into all diesel engine fuels sold in the
18 country: *Provided*, That the biodiesel blend conforms to PNS for biodiesel.

19 Within two (2) years from the effectivity of this Act, the NBB created under this Act
20 is empowered to determine the feasibility and thereafter recommend to DOE to
21 mandate a minimum of two percent (2%) blend of biodiesel by volume which may be
22 increased taking into account considerations including, but not limited, to domestic
23 supply and availability of locally-sourced biodiesel component: *Provided*, That natural
24 gas power generating plants may use neat diesel as their alternative fuel during
25 shortages of natural gas supplies: *Provided, however*, That the DOE shall ensure that
26 the authority granted herein shall only be availed of, directly or indirectly, by natural
27 gas power plants.

28 *PROVIDED, FURTHER*, THAT THE PRESIDENT, UPON THE
29 RECOMMENDATION OF THE NBB AND THE DOE, MAY SUSPEND THE
30 MANDATORY USE OF LOCALLY-SOURCED BIOFUELS, THROUGH AN

1 EXECUTIVE ORDER, FOR A PERIOD NOT LONGER THAN ONE (1) YEAR IF THE
2 PRICES FOR BLENDED GASOLINE AND/OR DIESEL ENGINE FUELS ARE AT
3 LEAST FIVE (5%) HIGHER COMPARED TO PURE GASOLINE AND/OR DIESEL
4 ENGINE FUELS.”

5 **SEC. 4.** The DOE shall, in consultation with the NBB, the stakeholders, and other
6 agencies concerned, within thirty (30) days after the effectivity of this Act, promulgate
7 rules and regulations to effectively implement the provisions of this Act.

8 **SEC. 5.** All laws, decrees, ordinances, rules, regulations, other issuances or parts
9 thereof which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, amended, or modified
10 accordingly.

11 **SEC. 6.** If for any reason, any part or provision of this Act is declared
12 unconstitutional or invalid, the other parts or provisions hereof, which are not affected
13 thereby, shall continue to be in full force and effect.

14 **SEC. 7.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
15 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,