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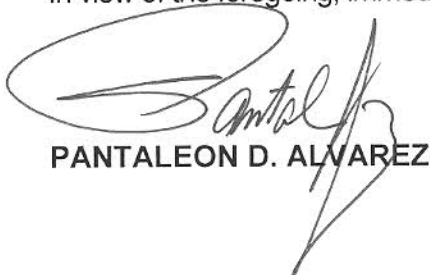
This bill seeks to provide stiffer penalties to persons driving under the influence of alcohol, dangerous drugs and similar substances, amending for the purpose Republic Act (RA) No. 10586, otherwise known as the "*Anti-Drunk and Drugged Driving Act of 2013*."

RA 10586 was enacted to ensure road safety through the observance of the citizenry of responsible and ethical driving standards thereby punishing persons who drive or operate motor vehicles while under the influence of alcohol, dangerous drugs and similar substances. Section 12 in relation to Section 5 of RA 10586 provides for the penalties corresponding to the prohibited act. However, despite the existing penalties, there are still many incidents of injury, death and destruction of property committed by drunk drivers who are under the influence not only of alcohol but also of dangerous drugs.

According to the Highway Patrol Group of the Philippine National Police, the number of road accidents due to drunk driving has actually increased from 390 in 2013 to 498 in 2014. Additionally, the Metropolitan Manila Authority (MMDA) reported that from January to July 2015, one of the leading causes of accidents in our country is driving under the influence (DUI). The report also revealed that the majority of those involved in these accidents are motorcycles resulting to 11,721 motorcycle accidents during the period.

With the increasing number of accidents related to alcohol intoxication, the government needs to strengthen its advocacy on road safety to lessen road deaths attributed to drunk-driving. Thus, this bill seeks to provide stiffer penalties to persons driving while under the influence of alcohol, dangerous drugs and other intoxicating substances. This bill will also serve as a deterrent to the commission of the prohibited act and avoid the loss of lives.

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

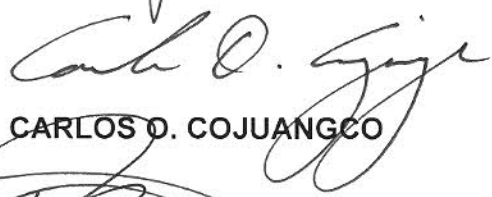

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AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR STIFFER PENALTIES FOR PERSONS DRIVING UNDER THE
INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL, DANGEROUS DRUGS AND SIMILAR
SUBSTANCES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10586,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "ANTI-DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING ACT OF
2013"

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 12 of Republic Act No. 10586 is hereby amended to
2 read as follows:

3 "SEC. 12. *Penalties.* – A driver found to have been driving a
4 motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, dangerous drugs
5 and/or other similar substances, as provided for under Section 5 of this
6 Act, shall be penalized as follows:

7 a) If the violation of Section 5 did not result in physical
8 injuries or homicide, the penalty of [~~three~~] FIVE [(3)] (5) months
9 imprisonment and a fine ranging from [~~Twenty~~] THIRTY thousand
10 pesos (Php[~~20,000.00~~] 30,000.00) to [~~Eighty~~] ONE HUNDRED
11 thousand pesos (Php[~~80,000.00~~] 100,000.00) shall be imposed;

12 b) If the violation of Section 5 resulted in physical injuries,
13 the penalty IN ITS MAXIMUM PERIOD provided in Article 263 of the
14 Revised Penal Code or the penalty provided in the next preceding
15 subparagraph, whichever is higher and a fine ranging from One
16 hundred FIFTY thousand pesos (Php[~~100,000.00~~] 150,000.00) to Two

1 hundred FIFTY thousand pesos (Php[200,000.00] 250,000.00) shall be
2 imposed;

3 c) If the violation of Section 5 resulted in homicide, the
4 penalty IN ITS MAXIMUM PERIOD provided in Article 249 of the
5 Revised Penal Code and a fine ranging from Three hundred FIFTY
6 thousand pesos (Php[300,000.00] 350,000.00) to Five hundred FIFTY
7 thousand pesos (Php[500,000.00] 550,000.00) shall be imposed[;
8 and].

9 d) xxx xxx xxx."

10 SEC. 2. All laws, decrees, executive orders, presidential issuances and other
11 administrative rules and regulations or parts thereof which are consistent with the
12 provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

13 SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
14 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved