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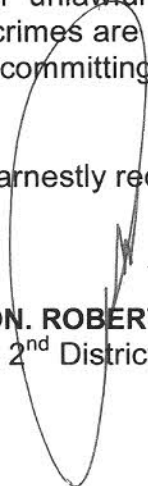
**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Crimes disturb the order of society. The alarming rise of heinous crimes in our country calls for the reimposition of the capital punishment. The death penalty is said to be the strongest deterrent society has against such crimes. It aims to restore order and adequately punishes criminals. The death penalty also serves as retribution for victims and their families.

Since the government has the highest interest in preventing heinous crime, it should use the strongest punishment available to deter unlawful acts -- the death penalty. If criminals charged guilty of committing heinous crimes are sentenced to death and executed, potential criminals will think twice before committing crimes for fear of losing their own life.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly recommended.

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**AN ACT RE-IMPOSING THE DEATH PENALTY ON CERTAIN HEINOUS CRIMES,  
REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9346, AND REVIVING REPUBLIC  
ACT NO. 7659, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9165, IN SO FAR AS THE IMPOSITION OF THE  
DEATH PENALTY IS CONCERNED, AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8177, AND FOR OTHER  
PURPOSES**

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

**SECTION 1.** Republic Act No. 9346, otherwise known as “An Act Prohibiting The Imposition Of Death Penalty In The Philippines”, is hereby repealed;

**SECTION 2.** Republic Act No. 7659, otherwise known as “An Act To Impose The Death Penalty On Certain Heinous Crimes, Amending For The Purpose The Revised Penal Laws, As Amended, Other Special Penal Laws, And For Other Purposes” is hereby revived, except for Sections 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 24, which have been repealed by subsequent laws;

**SECTION 3.** Republic Act No. 9165, otherwise known as the “Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002”, is hereby revived in so far as the imposition of death penalty is concerned.

**SECTION 4.** Section 11, No. 5 of R.A. No. 9165 is hereby amended as follows:

“**SEC. 11:** xxx

(5) 10 grams or more of methamphetamine hydrochloride or “shabu”;

xxx”

**SECTION 5.** Republic Act No. 8177, otherwise known as “An Act Designating Death By Lethal Injection As The Method Of Carrying Out Capital Punishment, Amending For The Purpose Article 81 Of The Revised Penal Code, As Amended By Section 24 Of Republic Act No. 7659”, is hereby revived;

**SECTION 6.** If, for any reason or reasons, any part of the provision of this Act shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

**SECTION 7. Effectivity.** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.