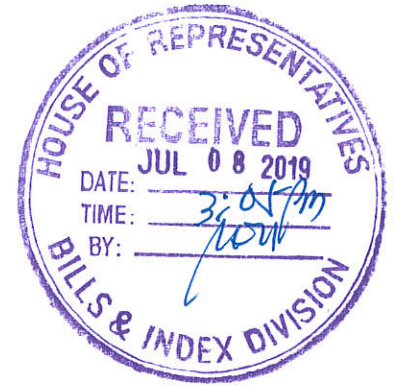


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**HOUSE BILL NO. 1573**

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Introduced by **Representative RANEO E. ABU**  
*Second District, Batangas*

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### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to provide stiffer penalties to persons driving under the influence of alcohol, dangerous drugs and similar substance, 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 been tremendously increasing. Additionally, the Metropolitan Manila Authority (MMDA) has been consistently reporting that one of the leading causes of accidents in our roads is driving under the influence (DUI). Majority of those involved in these accidents are motorcycles.

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

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

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**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:*

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

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

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

b) If the violation of Section 5 resulted in physical injuries, the penalty IN ITS MAXIMUM PERIOD provided in Article 263 of the subparagraph, whichever is higher and a fine ranging from One hundred FIFTY thousand pesos

(Php[100,000.00] 150,000.00) to Two hundred FIFTY thousand pesos (Php[200,000.00] 250,000.00) shall be imposed;

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

d) xxx xxx xxx.”

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

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

Approved