MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on Health and Committee on Appropriations to which were referred House Bill No. 688 introduced by Rep. Michael Edgar Y. Aglipay, entitled:

AN ACT REQUIRING GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO INDICATE THE BLOOD TYPE OF INDIVIDUALS IN THE IDENTIFICATION CARDS, CERTIFICATES AND LICENSES

and House Bill No. 2037 introduced by Rep. "Kuya" Jose Antonio R. Sy-Alvarado, entitled:

AN ACT REQUIRING GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO INDICATE THE BLOOD TYPE OF INDIVIDUALS IN THE IDENTIFICATION CARDS, CERTIFICATES AND LICENSES

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 7320, entitled:

AN ACT REQUIRING GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO INDICATE THE BLOOD TYPE OF INDIVIDUALS ON THEIR IDENTIFICATION CARDS, CERTIFICATES AND LICENSES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR


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THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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AN ACT
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. Short Title. – This Act shall be known as the "Blood Type Identification Act".

SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy. – It is the policy of the State to protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them. Towards this end, the State shall implement measures that would ensure the safety of lives during disasters and medical emergency situations.

SEC. 3. Blood Type Identification. – All government agencies shall indicate the blood type of an individual applying for government-issued identification card,
certificate and license. For purposes of this Act, an individual’s blood type must be
duly certified by a pathologist.

SEC. 4. Coverage. – The following government-issued documents shall bear
the blood type of an individual:

(a) Identification card issued by the Social Security System, and the
Government Service Insurance System;

(b) Passport issued by the Department of Foreign Affairs;

(c) Professional identification card issued by the Professional Regulation
Commission;

(d) Birth certificate issued by the Local Registrar’s Office or the Philippine
Statistics Authority;

(e) Driver’s license issued by the Land Transportation Office;

(f) Firearms license issued by the Philippine National Police; and

(g) Such other certificates, licenses or identification documents that are yet
to be issued by agencies created after the effectivity of this Act.

SEC. 5. Appropriations. – The amount necessary for the implementation of
this Act shall be charged against the appropriations or corporate funds of the
respective implementing agencies and corporations.

SEC. 6. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – The Secretary of the
Department of Health (DOH), in coordination with all concerned government
implementing agencies, shall formulate the rules and regulations necessary to
implement the provisions of this Act within ninety (90) days from its effectivity.

SEC. 7. Separability Clause. – In the event that any provision of this Act is
declared unconstitutional, the validity of the other provisions shall not be affected by
such declaration.

SEC. 8. Repealing Clause. – All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations
and other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this
Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 9. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,
FACT SHEET

House Bill No. 7320

In substitution of House Bills Numbered 688 and 2037
(As approved by the Committee on August 14, 2019)

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OBJECTIVE:

- To facilitate medical treatment and ensure the safety of patients, especially in the
  transfusion of blood during medical emergencies

KEY PROVISIONS:

- Requires all government issued identification cards, licenses and certificates to
  indicate the blood type of individuals. It shall include birth certificate, driver’s and
  firearms licenses, and identification documents as issued by the Social Security
  System (SSS), Government Service Insurance System (GSIS), Department of Foreign
  Affairs (DFA), Professional Regulation Commission (PRC), Local Registrar’s Office
  or National Statistics Office (NSO), Land Transportation Office (LTO) and Philippine
  National Police (PNP).

- Requires the individual to secure a certificate from a pathologist to validate the
  individuals’ blood type.
- Mandates the Secretary of the Department of Health in coordination with concerned implementing agencies to formulate rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.
- Authorizes the necessary amount for the implementation of this Act to be charged to the appropriations or corporate funds of the implementing agencies and corporations.

RELATED LAW:
- Sec. 15, Article II of the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines