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**HOUSE BILL NO. 6093**



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Introduced by: **HON. ROZZANO RUFINO B. BIAZON**

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

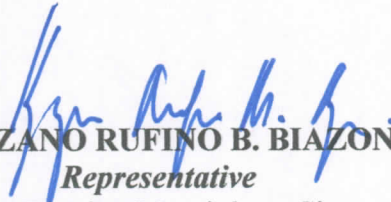
This proposed measure seeks to ban the manufacture, importation, sale, distribution and use of reef-toxic sunscreens that contain reef-toxic chemicals that severely damage corals and have been proven fatal to other marine life.

The protection and conservation of the environment is vital in the survival and continuity of all humanity. But as progress and development come in, the delicate balance people have with mother nature becomes greatly affected. There is nothing wrong with enjoying our natural resources so long as we remain responsible and aware of its upkeep. Many places in the world that are popular with tourism are seeing rapid destruction of their wildlife and environment due to products containing harmful chemicals such as sunscreens.

These products are meant to protect a person's skin from the harmful ultra-violet rays of the sun while staying outdoors. Such products are commonly used by people in beaches and other resorts offering outdoor water activities. Unbeknownst to many, most of these products contain chemicals such as oxybenzone and triclosan that have been proven by laboratory studies to have adverse effects on marine life in general.

A significant income of our tourism industry come from activities in our beaches and other bodies of water. It is only therefore proper that measures are put into place in order to protect these for the enjoyment not only of the present generation but also of future generations.

For these reasons, immediate approval this bill is earnestly requested.

  
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