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House Bill No. 9811

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### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*“A child who learns about traffic rules and road discipline will grow up to be a law-abiding citizen. The habit of obeying traffic rules teaches a person a sense of responsibility, empathy for others, and respecting the other person’s rights”*

*– The Hindu<sup>1</sup>*

As traffic on our roads become heavier and increasingly busy, it is important to inculcate in children during their formative years the importance of proper road use. This is extremely essential in order to ensure safety in children and avoid any accidents by reason of lack of awareness. As can be gleaned in the above-cited quote from “The Hindu”, proper road use education goes a long way and will even hone a child into becoming a valuable member of the society.

This Bill intends to incorporate in the curriculum of elementary schools a subject particularly teaching its students on proper road use such as, but not limited to passenger safety, driving safety, and understanding traffic signages. Through the inclusion of proper road use education in the curriculum, the Filipino youth will become warier and more cautious of the proper road use, thereby helping them with their safety. Moreover, this addition in the curriculum will be able to inculcate in the Filipino youth extraordinary discipline that they will be able to carry as they flourish and face day-to-day challenges.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.123helpme.com/essay/Importance-Of-Road-Safety-For-Kids-FCLXXPU8N6>

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this Bill is earnestly sought.

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2 **“AN ACT MANDATING THE INCLUSION OF A SUBJECT ON**  
3 **PROPER ROAD USE IN THE ELEMENTARY**  
4 **EDUCATION CURRICULUM”**  
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6 *Be it enacted in the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Republic of the*  
7 *Philippines in Congress assembled:*

8 **SECTION 1. Short Title.** – This act shall be known as the *“Proper Road Use*  
9 *Education Act of 2021”*.

10 **SECTION 2. Declaration of Policy.** – It is hereby declared the policy of the  
11 State to recognize the role of educational institutions in inculcating among the Filipino  
12 youth patriotism and nationalism and in teaching them the rights and duties of the  
13 citizens in supporting the Filipino youth’s role in nation-building. Towards this end, the  
14 State shall adopt measures that will improve the curricula of public elementary schools  
15 in order to instill in the Filipino youth proper road use which shall be applicable in their  
16 daily lives.

17 **SECTION 3. Proper Road Use Education Program.** – All elementary  
18 schools shall be mandated to incorporate in their curricula a subject on proper road  
19 use which shall include, but shall not be limited to, passenger safety, driving safety  
20 and understanding traffic signages.

21 **SECTION 4. Implementing Rules and Regulations** – Within sixty (60) days  
22 from the promulgation of this Act, the implementing rules and regulations for the

1 proper implementation of its provisions shall be formulated by the Department of  
2 Education (DepEd) in coordination with the Land Transportation Office (LTO).

3 **SECTION 5. *Separability Clause.*** – If any provision of this Act is declared  
4 invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain  
5 valid and subsisting.

6 **SECTION 6. *Repealing Clause.*** – All acts, executive orders, memorandum  
7 circulars/guidelines and other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with  
8 this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

9 **SECTION 7. *Effectivity.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its  
10 publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation

11 **APPROVED.**