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**AN ACT
MANDATING THE PLAYING OF PHILIPPINE MUSIC IN HOTELS, RESORTS,
RESTAURANTS, TOURIST BUSES, AND ALL INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS COMING
INTO THE PHILIPPINES, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS
THEREOF**

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

1 **SECTION 1.** It is the policy of the State to promote Philippine music pursuant to
2 Article II, Section 17 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution which states that the State “shall give
3 priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture, and sports to foster patriotism and
4 nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development”.

5 **SEC. 2.** In view of the foregoing policy, it is hereby mandated that:

1 a) Upon landing in the Philippines, all flights coming from international destinations
2 shall devote at least fifty percent (50%) of their piped-in music to Philippine music;

3 b) All tourist buses shall prepare their playlists in such a manner that at least fifty
4 percent (50%) thereof shall consist of Philippine music which shall be played on
5 their piped-in sound system when ferrying tourists; and

6 c) All hotels, resorts, and restaurants shall prepare their playlists in such a manner that
7 at least twenty-five percent (25%) thereof shall consist of Philippine music which
8 shall be played on their piped-in sound system during their operating hours.

9 For purposes of this Act, the term "*Philippine music*" shall refer to any musical
10 composition, whether purely instrumental or with lyrics, which has been originally composed,
11 written, arranged, performed or played by Filipinos. Songs that were originally composed and
12 written by Filipinos, regardless of whether the lyrics thereof are in Filipino, English, or in any
13 Philippine regional language or dialect, shall be considered as Philippine music.

14 **SEC. 3.** The following penalties shall be imposed for violations of this act:

15 (a) For airline companies - Any board of directors or officer of an airline company
16 who fails to devote at least fifty percent (50%) of their piped-in music to Philippine music as
17 provided in Section 2 (a) of this Act shall, after due notice and hearing, be punished with a fine
18 of Three hundred thousand pesos (P300,000.00) for every offense;

19 (b) For tourist buses - Any tourist bus owner or operator who fails to prepare in their
20 playlists at least fifty percent (50%) of Philippine music and play on their piped-in sound system
21 when ferrying tourists as provided under Section 2 (b) of this Act shall, after due notice and
22 hearing, be punished with a fine of Fifty thousand pesos (P50,000.00) for every offense; and

1 (c) For hotels, resorts, and restaurants - Any hotel, resort or restaurant owner or
2 operator who fails to prepare in their playlists at least twenty-five percent (25%) of Philippine
3 music and play on their piped-in sound system during their operating hours as provided under
4 Section 2 (c) of this Act shall, after due notice and hearing, be punished with a fine of Twenty
5 thousand pesos (P20,000.00) for every offense.

6 In case the tourist bus, hotel, resort, or restaurant is owned by a corporation, partnership
7 or association, the board of directors, partners, or officers responsible for the act or omission
8 shall be held liable.

9 **SEC. 4.** Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Department of
10 Tourism (DOT) shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the proper
11 implementation of this Act. The DOT shall likewise create a team to monitor compliance with
12 this Act and establish a system for the collection of penalties.

13 **SEC. 5.** If any provision of this Act shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other
14 provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

15 **SEC. 6.** All laws, rules, regulations, executive orders, presidential decrees, and other
16 issuances inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Act are hereby deemed repealed or
17 amended accordingly.

18 **SEC. 7.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
19 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,