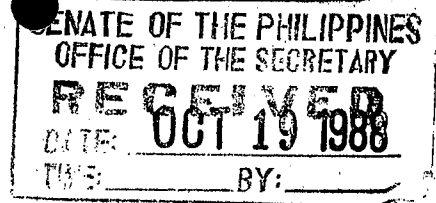


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S E N A T E

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 390

Submitted by the Committee on Social Justice, Welfare and Development
on 18 October 1988

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RE: S. No. 835, prepared by the Committee

Recommending its approval without amendment, consolidating therewith
S. No. 7 and S. No. 203

Sponsors: Senators Romulo, Tamano and Ziga

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Social Justice, Welfare and Development to which
was referred Senate Bill No. _____, introduced by Senators Romulo,
Tamano and Ziga, entitled:

"AN ACT GRANTING DISCOUNT PRIVILEGES TO SENIOR CITIZENS
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

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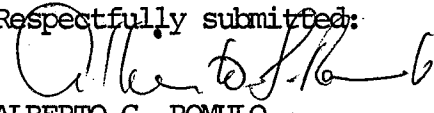
"AN ACT GRANTING DISCOUNT PRIVILEGES TO SENIOR CITIZENS
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and Senate Bill No. 203, introduced by Senator Tamano, entitled:

"AN ACT GRANTING DISCOUNT PRIVILEGES TO FILIPINO ELDERS
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"


has considered the same and has the honor to report them back to the
Senate with the recommendation that Senate Bill No. 835, prepared by
the Committee be approved without amendment, consolidating therewith
S. No. 7 and S. No. 203 with Senators Romulo, Tamano and Ziga as authors
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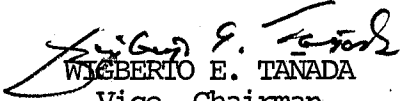
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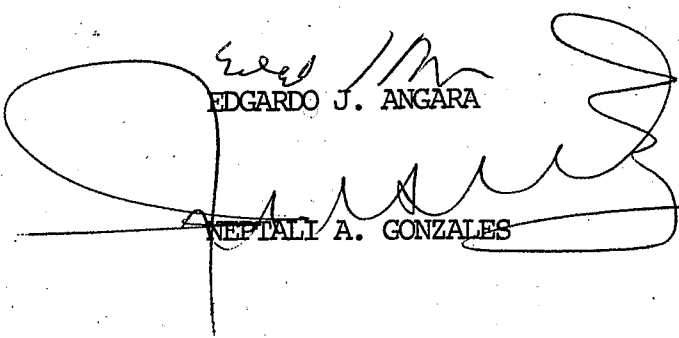
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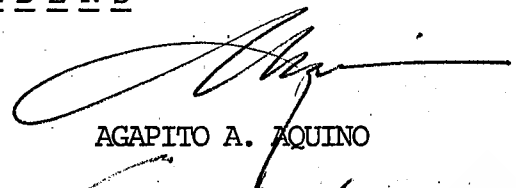
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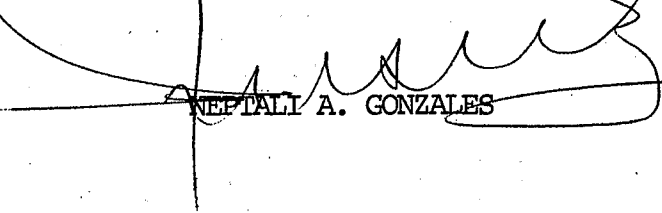

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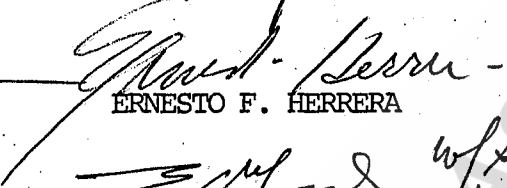

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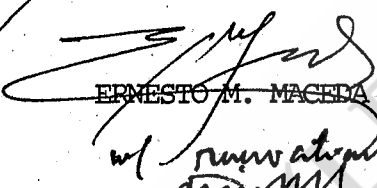

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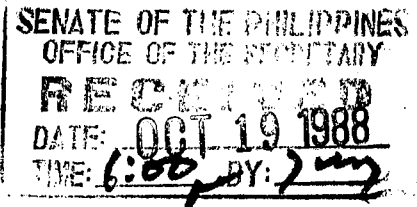

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SENATE

Senate Bill No. 835

Introduced by Senators Romulo, Tamano and Ziga

AN ACT
GRANTING DISCOUNT PRIVILEGES TO SENIOR CITIZENS AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES

1 SECTION 1. For purposes of this Act, an elderly is a
2 senior citizen who is at least sixty (60) years old and who
3 is exempted from the payment of income tax for the year
4 immediately preceding his availment of the benefits of this Act.

5 SECTION 2. Any senior citizen who desires to avail of the
6 benefits herein granted shall present a certification from the
7 Bureau of Internal Revenue of the locality where he resides, that
8 he is exempted from the payment of income tax.

9 SECTION 3. The following establishments operating and
10 doing business in the Philippines shall grant a personal privi-
11 lege discount of twenty percent (20%) to any senior citizen as
12 follows:

- 13 a. Hospitals and Clinics
- 14 b. Drug Stores
- 15 c. Transportation Companies (including airlines, shipping
lines and railways)
- 16 d. Restaurants and Eateries
- 17 e. Hotels and Pension Houses
- 18 f. Moviehouses and Theaters

19 SECTION 4. Any establishment covered by this Act which
20 refuses to grant the personal privilege discount provided above
21 shall be fined one thousand (P1,000.00) pesos for the first
22 offense and two thousand (P2,000.00) pesos for the second offense.



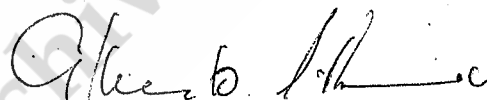
23 For the third offenders, the penalty of cancellation of license
24 or permit to operate will be imposed.


25 SECTION 5. The Secretary of Social Welfare and Development,
26 jointly with Department of Finance (Bureau of Internal Revenue),
27 Department of Health and Department of Transportation and
28 Communication shall be responsible for the promulgation and
29 enforcement of the necessary rules and regulations for the proper
30 implementation of this Act.

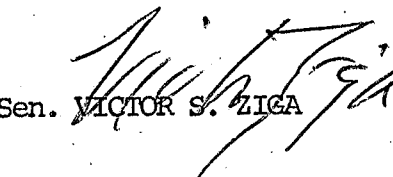
31 SECTION 6. Any provision of law, Presidential Decrees, rules
32 and regulations inconsistent with this Act is hereby repealed.

33 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect thirty (30) days
34 following its complete publication in two newspapers of general
35 circulation.

Approved.


Sen. ALBERTO G. ROMULO


Sen. MAMINTAL A.J. TAMANO

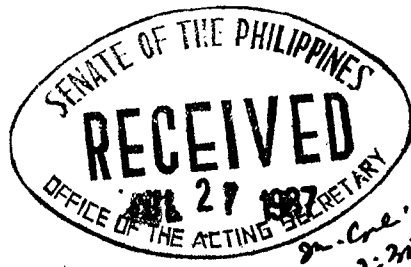

Sen. VICTOR S. ZIGA



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
S E N A T E
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First Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 7



Introduced by Honorable Victor S. Ziga

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Our elder citizens deserve more recognition than what they are presently getting. This is specially true for those who have spent the best and most productive years of their lives in the service of their country and their fellow citizens. It cannot be denied that in their own way, no matter how quiet and small, they have contributed in the common effort to make this country a better place to live in. Now, in the waning years of their lives, they should be provided ample opportunity to experience the fruits of their labor for the remainder of their years. By so providing, we who have been beneficiaries of the toils of our elders, will only be showing our gratitude for their unselfish and dedicated service.

Perhaps because of the present difficulties we are facing, most, if not all of us, have overlooked or given scant importance to this large segment of our population. It's about time we acknowledge the efforts of our elder citizens. We who may be in a better position to render such recognition and gratitude should do so in our own way. Indeed, what better way can we have to uphold tradition of giving due respect for our elders.

Admittedly, our senior citizens in their present state could no longer sufficiently provide for their own livelihood and in most cases be dependent only on their meager pensions and infrequent doleouts from relatives. By extending to them these privileges, specially during these trying times, we would be giving better meaning to and more profound implementation of the social justice provision of our constitution.

For these considerations, early approval of this bill is earnestly requested.

VICTOR S. ZIGA
Senator

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
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First Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 7



Introduced by Honorable Victor S. Ziga

AN ACT
GRANTING DISCOUNT PRIVILEGES TO SENIOR CITIZENS AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate in session assembled:

SECTION 1. The following establishments operating and doing business in the Philippines shall grant a privilege discount to any filipino citizen as follows:

a. Transportation companies - 30% of the total travel fares charged for travelling anywhere in the Philippines;

b. Restaurants and Eateries, beer joints, cocktail lounges and similar establishments - 30% of the total value of food and drinks orders;

c. Hotels, Pension Houses, Lodging House and Inns - 30% of the value of room rent and meals;

d. Moviehouses, theaters and similar places of entertainment - 30% of the total admission fee charges.

The privilege discount above enumerated shall apply only to the personal bill of the senior citizen.

SEC. 2. For purpose of this Act, a senior citizen shall refer to a filipino citizen actually residing in the Philippines and at least 60 years of age at the time he avails of the privilege.

SEC. 3. Any establishment covered by this Act that refuses to grant the privilege discount herein enumerated shall be liable to cancellation of its permit or license.

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SEC. 4. The Secretary of Social Services and Development is hereby authorized to enforce this Act and to promulgate the pertinent rules and regulations for its proper implementation.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

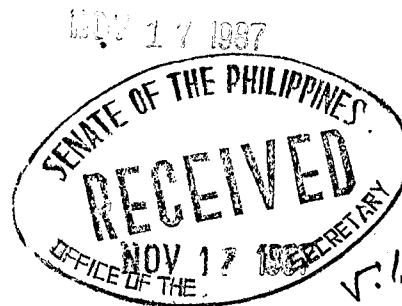
Approved,



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SENATE
S. NO. 203



INTRODUCED BY SENATOR MAMINTAL A.J. TAMANO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Special benefits and privileges should be given to our elder citizens to enhance their well-being throughout their remaining years. It cannot be denied that during the productive years of their lives our Filipino elders have contributed in the common effort to make this country a better place to live in, no matter how simple and quite.

Having been the direct recipients of our elder's productive years, it is but fitting that we take steps to extend them a more meaningful existence. We must afford them concessions most needed in their years of difficulty caused by sickness, limited mobility, low finances and such other handicaps.

With the present difficulties that the nation is encountering, most, if not all, of us have overlooked or given scant importance to these roots of our lives. But as the saying states "Ang taong hindi marunong lumingon sa pinanggalingan ay hindi makakarating sa paroroonan" it is but imperative upon us who are in a better position to render such recognition to do so in our own way.

This bill will extend to the elderly accommodation without further appropriations necessary to dignify their existence and strengthen their part in the society as they truly deserve.

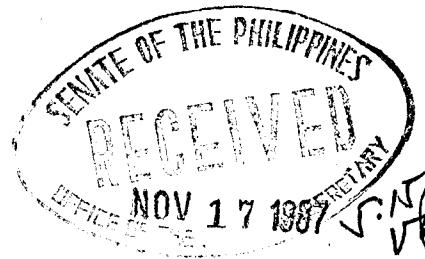
Considering the foregoing, early approval is earnestly requested.



MAMINTAL A.J. TAMANO

S E N A T E

S. No. 203



Introduced by Senator Mamintal A.J. Tamano

AN ACT

GRANTING DISCOUNT PRIVILEGES TO FILIPINO ELDERS AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

1 SECTION 1. For purposes of this Act, an elder
2 is a Filipino citizen, sixty-five (65) years of age
3 or over and a resident of the Philippines at the time
4 he avails himself of the privilege.

5 SECTION 2. Elderly are further classified as
6 follows:

7 a. One whose gross annual income is more than
8 Twenty-Four Thousand (P24,000.00) Pesos;
9 and

10 b. Indigent or whose gross annual income is less
11 than Twenty-Four Thousand (P24,000.00) Pesos
12 and those who are physically handicapped
13 whose mobility is limited.

14 SECTION 3. Discount Privileges shall be
15 granted to elderly by the following public utilities,
16 commercial and medical establishments, the Bureau of
17 Internal Revenue and other similar servicing agen-
18 cies or facilities:



- 1 a. Public conveyances or public utilities trans-
- 2 porting persons - 30% discount of the to-
- 3 tal travel fare of elders under par. a,
- 4 Section 2, and 40% discount of total tra-
- 5 vel fare of elders under par. b, Sec. 2;
- 6 b. Restaurants, eateries and other similar esta-
- 7 blishments - 30% discount of total cost of
- 8 meals of elders under par. a, Sec. 2, and
- 9 40% discount of the total cost of meals of
- 10 elders under par. b, Section 2;
- 11 c. Hotels, inns, pension houses, apartment units,
- 12 condominium houses, lodging houses or si-
- 13 milar establishments - 30% discount on rent-
- 14 als of elders under par. a, Section 2 and
- 15 40% discount on rentals of elders under par.
- 16 a, Section 2;
- 17 d. Movie houses, theaters, circus, stadiums,
- 18 exhibitions, auditoriums, museums and other
- 19 similar establishments - 30% discount on ad-
- 20 mission fees of elders under par. a, Sec. 2
- 21 and 50% discount on elders under par. b,
- 22 Section 2;
- 23 e. Hospitals, medical centers, clinics and other
- 24 similar institutions - 15% discount on
- 25 the total medical and professional fees of
- 26 elders under par. a, Section 2 and 30% dis-
- 27 count for elders under par. a, Section 2;
- 28 f. Drug stores, pharmacies and other similar es-
- 29 tablishments - For the total purchases of
- 30 medicines and supplementary vitamins es-



1 pecially analgesic and antipyretic medicines
 2 for common ailments such as colds, fever,
 3 headaches, sprains, inflammations, etc. -
 4 20% discount for elders under par. a, Sec.
 5 2 and 30% discount for elders under par. a,
 6 Sec. 2;

7 g. Thirty percent (30%) discount on electric and
 8 water bills;

9 h. Elders shall be exempt from the payment of
 10 withholding taxes, annual individual income
 11 taxes and real estate taxes; provided that
 12 in the case of real estate taxes, the total
 13 market value of the real estate property of
 14 an elder does not exceed Twenty-Four Thousand
 15 (P24,000.00) Pesos.

16 SECTION 4. Any person or persons, natural
 17 or juridical, operating any of the establishments
 18 mentioned herein-above who refuses to grant the privi-
 19 lege discounts herein enumerated shall be liable to
 20 pay a fine of not less than P200.00 but not more than
 21 P500.00 and the cancellation of their license or per-
 22 mit to operate.

23 SECTION 5. The Department of Social Services
 24 and Development, in coordination with the Departments
 25 of Finance and Health and other government agencies
 26 when necessary, is designated as the principal govern-
 27 ment agency to promulgate the pertinent rules and
 28 regulations for the proper implementation of this Act.

29 SECTION 6. Should any provision of this Act
 30 be declared unconstitutional, the other provisions
 31 unaffected thereby shall remain in force and effect.

32 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect upon
 33 its approval.

APPROVED, _____.