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Metro Manila  
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Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-seventh day of July, two thousand fifteen.

[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10709 ]

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THIRTY (30) DAYS FORFEITABLE LEAVE PRIVILEGES ANNUALLY TO ALL JUDGES OF THE FIRST LEVEL COURTS

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

SECTION 1. *Forfeitable Leave Privilege.* — Judges of the Metropolitan Trial Courts, Municipal Trial Courts in Cities, Municipal Trial Courts, Municipal Circuit Trial Courts and Shari'a Circuit Courts, all known as first level courts, shall be entitled annually to thirty (30) days forfeitable leave with pay in addition to the fifteen (15) days vacation leave and fifteen (15) days sick leave privileges provided for by law. In the computation thereof, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays shall be excluded.

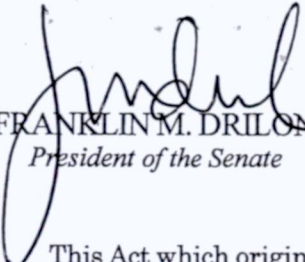
The forfeitable leave privilege under this Act shall be noncumulative and nonconvertible to cash.


SEC. 2. The Supreme Court shall, within thirty (30) days after the effectivity of this Act, promulgate the rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SEC. 3. All laws, decrees, executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.


SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.


Approved,

  
FRANKLIN M. DRILON  
*President of the Senate*

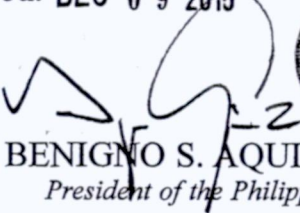
  
FELICIANO BELMONTE JR.  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives*

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was passed by the House of Representatives on August 26, 2014, amended by the Senate on August 24, 2015, and which amendments were concurred in by the House of Representatives on September 23, 2015.

  
OSCAR G. YABES  
*Secretary of the Senate*

  
MARILYN B. BARUA-YAP  
*Secretary General House of Representatives*

Approved: DEC 09 2015

  
BENIGNO S. AQUINO III  
*President of the Philippines*



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