



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**H. No. 590**

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BY REPRESENTATIVES RODRIGUEZ (R.), RODRIGUEZ (M.), SYJUCO AND  
TEODORO

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION ON  
PROSTATE CANCER AND OTHER LEADING TYPES OF  
CANCER

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

1           SECTION 1. *Short Title.* – This Act shall be known as the “Prostate  
2   Cancer Public Awareness Act”.

3           SEC. 2. *Definition.* – For purposes of this Act, the term:

4           (a) *Director* means the Director of the Non-Communicable Disease  
5   Control Service of the Department of Health.

6           SEC. 3. *Establishment of Program for Public Education on Prostate  
7   Cancer and Other Leading Types of Cancer.* – The Director shall carry out a  
8   program on prostate cancer and other leading types of cancer. Through the  
9   program, he shall conduct or support activities to achieve the following  
10   purposes:

11           (a) To educate males who are forty (40) years of age or older on the  
12   need to periodically undergo physical examinations for prostate cancer and

1 other leading types of cancer, including education on the frequency and type of  
2 such examinations that are appropriate for various age groups of such men;

3 (b) To educate males on the availability and appropriateness of  
4 procedures for detecting the cancer in its early stages, including the procedure  
5 known as prostate ultrasound; and

6 (c) To educate males on the value of good nutrition and maintaining a  
7 healthy lifestyle.

8 SEC. 4. *Separability Clause.* -- If any provision or part hereof is held  
9 *invalid of unconstitutional*, the remainder of the law or the provision not  
10 otherwise affected shall remain valid and subsisting.

11 SEC. 5. *Repealing Clause.* -- Any law, presidential decree or issuance,  
12 executive order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule or regulation  
13 contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed,  
14 amended or modified accordingly.

15 SEC. 6. *Effectivity Clause.* -- This Act shall take effect fifteen (15)  
16 days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,

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