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ONG, AUMENTADO AND HERERRA-DY, PER COMMITTEE REPORT
No. 1023

AN ACT EXTENDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LIFELINE
RATE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 73 OF
REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED NINETY-ONE THIRTY-SIX,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "ELECTRIC POWER INDUSTRY
REFORM ACT OF 2001"

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 73 of Republic Act No. 9136, otherwise known as
2 the "Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001", is hereby amended to read
3 as follows:

4 "SEC. 73. *Lifeline Rate.* – A socialized pricing mechanism
5 called a lifeline rate for the marginalized end-users shall be set by
6 the ERC, which shall be exempted from the cross subsidy
7 phase-out under this Act for a period of [ten (10)] TWENTY (20)

1 years, unless OTHERWISE extended by law. The level of
2 consumption and the rate shall be determined by the ERC after due
3 notice and hearing. AS USED IN THIS ACT, 'MARGINALIZED
4 END-USERS' SHALL REFER TO END-USERS WHOSE ELECTRICAL
5 LOADS ARE LIMITED ONLY FOR BASIC LIGHTING, COOLING
6 (ELECTRIC FAN), RADIO AND TELEVISION."

7 SEC. 2. *Separability Clause.* – If, for any reason, any provision of this
8 Act or any part thereof shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, the other parts
9 or provisions of this Act which are not affected thereby shall remain in full
10 force and effect.

11 SEC. 3. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, orders, rules and
12 regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Act
13 are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

14 SEC. 4. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15)
15 days after its complete publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general
16 circulation.

Approved,

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