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BY REPRESENTATIVES PING-AY, PAEZ, LICO, UNGAB, ARNAIZ, GUANLAO AND PADILLA, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2349

AN ACT AMENDING CHAPTER XII, ON COOPERATIVE BANKS, OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9520, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "PHILIPPINE COOPERATIVE CODE OF 2008", AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. Article 97 of Republic Act No. 9520 is hereby amended
 with the insertion of a new paragraph 3, which shall read as follows:

"ART. 97. Organization, Membership and Establishment of

4 a Cooperative Bank. $-(1) \mathbf{x} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{x}$

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6 "(3) A FOREIGN COOPERATIVE ORGANIZATION OR ITS 7 EQUIVALENT COUNTERPART DULY ESTABLISHED AND 8 **REGISTERED IN ITS COUNTRY OF ORIGIN MAY BECOME AN** 9 ASSOCIATE OR REGULAR MEMBER OF COOPERATIVE BANKS, 10 SUBJECT TO PRIOR BSP APPROVAL OF SUBSTANTIAL 11 ACOUISITION OR TRANSFER OF SHARES IN A COOPERATIVE 12 BANK: PROVIDED, THAT SUCH FOREIGN COOPERATIVE OR 13 COUNTERPART SATISFIES THE DEFINITION OF A COOPERATIVE

FOUND IN ARTICLE 3 OF THIS CODE. PRIOR TO MEMBERSHIP
 IN A COOPERATIVE BANK, THE FOREIGN COOPERATIVE SHALL
 SUBMIT TO THE BSP AND THE CDA PROOF OF ITS
 ESTABLISHMENT AND REGISTRATION AS SUCH FROM ITS
 COUNTRY OF ORIGIN.

6 "A QUALIFIED FOREIGN COOPERATIVE
7 ORGANIZATION MAY OWN UP TO FORTY PERCENT (40%) OF
8 THE VOTING SHARES OF A COOPERATIVE BANK.

9 "THE BSP, IN COORDINATION WITH THE CDA, SHALL
10 ISSUE RULES AND REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT
11 THIS PROVISION.

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"([3]4) x x x."

SEC. 2. New sections designated as ART. 100-A and ART. 100-B shall
be inserted after ART. 100 of Republic Act No. 9520, and shall read as follows:

"ART. 100-A. LOANS TO PRIMARY COOPERATIVE 15 CONSISTENT WITH SECTION 36 OF THE 16 MEMBERS. ----LOANS. CREDIT 17 BANKING LAW. GENERAL THE 18 ACCOMMODATIONS AND GUARANTEES EXTENDED BY A 19 **COOPERATIVE BANK TO ITS PRIMARY COOPERATIVE MEMBERS** 20 SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO THE DOSRI LIMITS. THE LOANS. CREDIT ACCOMMODATIONS AND GUARANTEES EXTENDED BY A 21 22 COOPERATIVE BANK TO ITS PRIMARY COOPERATIVE MEMBERS 23 SHALL NOT BE DEDUCTED FROM CAPITAL IN COMPUTING THE 24 REGULATORY CAPITAL OR CAPITAL ADEOUACY OF A 25 COOPERATIVE BANK: PROVIDED, THAT THE SAID LOANS ARE 26 SECURED. FOR THIS PURPOSE, THE BSP, IN ITS ENDEAVOR TO 27 BROADEN THE LIST OF ACCEPTABLE COLLATERALS AND 28 TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE UNIQUE NATURE OF 29 COOPERATIVES, SHALL ISSUE RULES AND REGULATIONS TO 30 IMPLEMENT THIS PROVISION.

1 "ART. 100-B. DEPOSITS IN COOPERATIVE BANKS. 2 ALL BANKING INSTITUTIONS MAY BE ALLOWED TO DEPOSIT TO 3 **COOPERATIVE BANKS AT LEAST TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT (25%)** 4 OF THEIR TOTAL LOANABLE FUNDS FOR AGRICULTURE, 5 FISHERIES AND AGRARIAN REFORM CREDIT MANDATED BY THE AGRI-AGRA REFORM CREDIT ACT OF 2000 UNDER REPUBLIC 6 7 ACT NO. 10000. SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE 8 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, THE DEPARTMENT OF 9 AGRARIAN REFORM AND THE BSP, THEIR DEPOSITS WITH 10 COOPERATIVE BANKS SHALL BE TREATED AS ALTERNATIVE 11 COMPLIANCE TO THE CREDIT QUOTA REQUIREMENT OF SAID 12 LAW.

13 "THE BSP, IN COORDINATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT
14 OF AGRICULTURE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN
15 REFORM, SHALL PROMULGATE THE NECESSARY RULES AND
16 REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THIS PROVISION."

SEC. 3. Article 102 of the same Act is hereby amended to read asfollows:

19 "ART. 102. Privileges and Incentives of Cooperative
20 Banks. - x x x

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22 "(2) IN THE ENFORCEMENT OF ACTIONS OF 23 OBLIGATIONS CONTRACTED IN FAVOR OF THE BANK, THE 24 COOPERATIVE BANK SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ARTICLE 61(6) OF 25 THIS CODE. However, in cases of foreclosure of mortgages 26 covering loans granted by a cooperative bank, and the execution 27of judgments thereon involving real properties and levied upon 28 by a sheriff, it shall be exempt from publication requirement 29 where the total amount of the loan, excluding interest and other

1 charges due and unpaid, does not exceed Two hundred fifty 2 thousand pesos (P250,000.00) or such amount as the BSP may 3 prescribe, as may be warranted by the prevailing economic 4 conditions and by the nature and character of the cooperative 5 banks. It shall be sufficient publication in such cases if the 6 notice of foreclosure and execution of judgment are posted in 7 conspicuous areas of the cooperative bank's premises, the 8 municipal hall, the municipal public market, the barangay hall, or 9 the barangay public market, if there be any, where the property 10 mortgaged is situated, within a period of sixty (60) days 11 immediately preceding the public auction or the execution of 12 judgment. Proof of publication as required herein shall be 13 accomplished by an affidavit of the sheriff or officer conducting 14 the foreclosure sale or execution of judgment, and shall be 15 attached to the record of the case.

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SEC. 4. If any section or provision of this Act shall be declared
unconstitutional or invalid, such shall not invalidate any other section of this
Act.

SEC. 5. All laws, decrees, orders, rules, regulations, ordinances or parts
 thereof which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified
 accordingly.

23 SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its
24 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) national newspapers of general
25 circulation.

Approved,

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