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H. No. 6590

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AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 13 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3019, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED THE "ANTI-GRAFT AND CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT"

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 13 of Republic Act No. 3019, as amended,
2 is hereby further amended to read as follows:

3 "SECTION 13. *Suspension and loss of benefits.* - Any
4 incumbent public officer against whom any criminal
5 prosecution under a valid information under this Act or

1 under Title 7, Book II of the Revised Penal Code or for
2 any offense involving fraud upon government or public
3 funds or property whether as a simple or as a complex
4 offense and in whatever stage of execution and mode of
5 participation, is pending in court, shall be suspended from
6 office FOR A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING NINETY (90) DAYS:
7 *PROVIDED, THAT IN CASE SUCH ELECTED PUBLIC*
8 *OFFICER IS NO LONGER CONNECTED WITH THE OFFICE*
9 *WHEREIN THE OFFENSE CHARGED WAS COMMITTED, THE*
10 *PREVENTIVE SUSPENSION ORDER SHALL NO LONGER BE*
11 *IMPLEMENTED.*

12 "Should [he] THE INCUMBENT PUBLIC OFFICER be
13 convicted by final judgment, he shall lose all retirement or
14 gratuity benefits under any law, but if he is acquitted, he
15 shall be entitled to reinstatement and to the salaries and
16 benefits which he failed to receive during suspension,
17 unless in the meantime administrative proceedings have
18 been filed against him.

19 "In the event that such convicted officer, who may
20 have already been separated from the service, has already
21 received such benefits, he shall be liable to retribute the
22 same to the government."

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

Approved,