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AN ACT FURTHER PROMOTING ENTREPRENEURSHIP BY STRENGTHENING, EMPOWERING AND ENHANCING THE FINANCING PROGRAMS FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6977, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "MAGNA CARTA FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (MSMEs)"

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 2 of Republic Act No. 6977, as amended,
- 2 is hereby further amended to read as follows:

1 "Sec. 2. Declaration of Policy. - Recognizing that 2 MSMEs have the potential [for] TO GENERATE more 3 employment [generation] and SPUR economic growth and therefore can help provide a self-sufficient 4 industrial foundation for the country, it is hereby 5 declared the policy of the State to promote, support. 6 7 strengthen and encourage the growth development of MSMEs in all productive sectors 8 9 economy particularly rural/agri-based. 10 MANUFACTURING, FINANCE AND SERVICES enterprises. To this end, the State shall recognize the specific needs 11 of the MSMEs and shall undertake to promote 12 entrepreneurship, support entrepreneurs, encourage 13 the establishment of MSMEs and ensure their 14 continuing viability and growth and thereby attain 15 16 countryside industrialization by:

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SEC. 2. Section 4 of the same Act, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 4. Eligibility for Government Assistance. – To qualify for assistance, counseling, incentives and promotion under this Act, businesses falling under the above definition must be:

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"[Eligible MSMEs shall be entitled to a share of at least ten percent (10%) of total procurement value of goods and services supplied to the Government, its

1	bureaus, omces and agencies annually.] THE NATIONAL
2	GOVERNMENT, ITS BUREAUS, OFFICES AND AGENCIES
3	SHALL ALLOCATE AT LEAST TEN PERCENT (10%) OF
4	ALL ITS PROCUREMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR GOODS
5	AND SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE MSMEs IN ACCORDANCE
6	WITH THE PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO.
7	9184, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'GOVERNMENT
8	PROCUREMENT REFORM ACT', AND ITS IMPLEMENTING
9	RULES AND REGULATIONS.
10	"The [Department of Budget and Management]
11	GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT POLICY BOARD (GPPB)
12	shall formulate rules for the effective
13	IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROVISION AND monitor the
14	compliance of government agencies on the required
15	procurement for MSMEs and submit its report to the
16	MSMED Council on a semestral basis and to the
17	Congress of the Philippines, through its appropriate
18	committees on a yearly basis."
19	SEC. 3. Section 5 of the same Act, as amended, is hereby
20	further amended to read as follows:
21	"SEC. 5. Guiding Principles To set the pace for
22	MSME development, the State shall be guided by the
23	following principles:
24	"x x x
25	"c) Coordination of government efforts. Government
26	efforts shall be coordinated to achieve coherence in
27	objectives. All appropriate offices, particularly those

1 under the Departments of Trade and Industry. 2 Budget and Management, Agriculture, Finance. 3 Agrarian Reform. Environment and Natural Resources, Labor and Employment, Transportation 4 5 Communications. INFORMATION 6 COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY, Public Works and Highways, Science and Technology, Interior and Local 7 Government and Tourism as well as the National 8 9 Economic and Development Authority, Philippine 10 Information Agency and the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, through their national, regional and 11 12 provincial offices shall, to the best of their efforts and in 13 coordination with local government units, provide the 14 necessary support and assistance to MSMEs. THE 15 DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY SHALL BE THE 16 LEAD AGENCY THEREFOR. 17

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SEC. 4. Section 6 of the same Act, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 6. Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Plan (MSMEDP). - The President shall approve a six-year micro, small and medium enterprises development plan prepared by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) which shall form part of the Medium Term Philippine Development ([MT]PDP). It shall be formulated in consultation with the private sector, validated and updated semestrally.

1	Such plan shall include a component on a micro credit
2	financing scheme."
3	SEC. 5. Section 7 of the same Act, as amended, is hereby
4	further amended to read as follows:
5	"Sec. 7. Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise
6	Development (MSMED) Council The existing Small
7	and Medium Enterprise Development Council, which
8	was created by Republic Act No. 6977, as amended by
9	Republic Act No. 8289 AND REPUBLIC ACT No. 9501,
10	AND FURTHER AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT No. 10644,
11	shall be strengthened to effectively spur the growth and
12	development of MSMEs throughout the country, and to
13	carry out the policy declared in this Act and shall now
14	be known as the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise
15	Development (MSMED) Council. The Council shall be
16	attached to the Department of Trade and Industry and
17	shall be constituted within sixty (60) days after the
18	approval of this Act.
19	"x x x."
20	SEC. 6. Section 7-A of the same Act, as amended, is hereby
21	further amended to read as follows:
22	"Sec. 7-A. Composition of the Micro, Small and
23	Medium Enterprises Development (MSMED) Council
24	The members of the Council shall be the following:
25	"(a) The Secretary of Trade and Industry as Chair;
26	"(b) The Secretary of Agriculture;

1	"(c) The Secretary of the Interior and Local
2	Government;
3	"(D) THE SECRETARY OF FINANCE;
4	"[(d)] (E) Three (3) representatives from the MSME
5	sector, [to represent Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao,
6	with at least one (1) representative from the
7	microenterprise sector] TO BE DESIGNATED BY A
8	NATIONAL ORGANIZATION REPRESENTING AND
9	DOMINATED BY MSMEs; AND
10	"[(e) One (1) representative from the women sector
11	designated by the Philippine Commission on Women;]
12	"[(f) One (1) representative from the youth sector
13	designated by the National Youth Commission; and]
14	"[(g)] (F) The Chairman of THE Small Business
15	Corporation.
16	"A. Advisory Unit There shall be an Advisory
17	Unit to the Council, which shall consist of the following:
18	"(a) The Secretary of Science and Technology;
19	"(b) The Governor of the Bangko Sentral ng
20	Pilipinas;
21	"(c) The President of the Land Bank of the
22	Philippines;
23	"(d) The President of the Development Bank of the
24	Philippines;
25	"(e) The Director General of the National Economic
26	and Development Authority;

1	(F) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
2	COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY;
3	"(G) A REPRESENTATIVE OF A NATIONAL
4	ORGANIZATION REPRESENTING AND DOMINATED BY
5	MSMEs;
6	"[(f)] (H) One (1) representative from the labor
7	sector, to be nominated by accredited labor groups;
8	"[(g)] (I) A representative from the private banking
9	sector to serve [alternatively] ALTERNATELY between
10	the chamber of thrift banks, and the Rural Banker's
11	Association of the Philippines (RBAP);
12	"[(h)] (J) A representative of the microfinance
13	nongovernment organizations (NGOs), DESIGNATED BY
14	THE MICROFINANCE NGO REGULATORY COUNCIL;
15	"[(i)] (K) A representative of the University of
16	the Philippines-Institute for Small Scale Industries
17	(UP-ISSI); [and]
18	"[(j)] (L) The President of the Credit Information
19	Corporation[.];
20	"(M) ONE (1) REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE WOMEN
21	SECTOR DESIGNATED BY THE PHILIPPINE COMMISSION
22	ON WOMEN; AND
23	"(N) ONE (1) REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE YOUTH
24	SECTOR DESIGNATED BY THE NATIONAL YOUTH
25	COMMISSION.

1	"(O) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM NONSTOCK SAVINGS
2	AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS DESIGNATED BY THE
3	ALLIANCE OF NON-STOCK SAVINGS AND LOAN
4	Institutions, Inc. (ANSLI).
5	"x x x."
6	SEC. 7. Section 7-B of the same Act, as amended, is hereby
7	further amended to read as follows:
8	"Sec. 7-B. Powers and Functions A. The MSMED
9	Council shall have the following powers, duties and
10	functions:
11	"x x x;
12	"h) To promote the productivity and viability of
13	MSMEs in DTI'S TOP PRIORITY INDUSTRIES FOR
14	DEVELOPMENT by way of directing and/or assisting
15	relevant government agencies and institutions at the
16	national, regional and provincial levels towards the:
17	"x x x;
18	"12) Through appropriate government agencies:
19	"x x x;
20	"f) Set-up new MSME NEGOSYO centers and
21	revitalize already established MSME NEGOSYO centers
22	to provide MSMEs in the regions easier access to
23	services such as, but not limited to, the following:
24	"x x x."
25	"B. Additional Functions of the MSMED Council
26	THE MSMED Council shall have the following
27	additional functions:

"(a) Coordinating and Oversight Body for the MSME Negosyo Center. — The MSMED Council, through the DTI, shall act as the coordinating and supervising body for all the agencies involved in the establishment and operation of the MSME Negosyo Centers. Further, the MSMED Council shall monitor and assess the progress of the Negosyo Centers, which shall be included in its annual report submitted to the Congress.

"(b) Provision of a Compliance Guide. – For each rule or group of related rules issued by any government agency for compliance by MSMEs, the Council shall publish compliance guidelines which shall be written in plain language or in the local dialect, if necessary.

"The Council shall prepare separate compliance guides covering groups or classes of similarly affected MSMEs and shall cooperate with industry associations to develop and distribute such compliance guides. The publication of each compliance guide shall include the posting of the guide in an easily identified location on the website of the agency, and distribution of the guide to known industry contacts, such as small entities, associations or industry leaders affected by the rule. The issuing government agency shall publish and disseminate the compliance rules within ninety (90) days from the date of issuance.

1	"(c) Conduct of Research on Women
2	Entrepreneurship The Council shall conduct research
3	to support women entrepreneurship including, but not
4	limited to entrepreneurial behavior, barriers,
5	participation and cessation rates, discriminatory
6	practices and contribution to the national economy and
7	growth.
8	"(d) Policy Formulation on Women
9	Entrepreneurship The Council shall provide policy
10	direction towards recognizing women's propensity in
11	doing business as well as establish linkages that will
12	enable more opportunities for women to engage in
13	entrepreneurship.
14	"(e) Development of Entrepreneurial Education and
15	Training The MSMED Council shall develop, in
16	coordination with the Department of Education, TESDA
17	and CHED, a course curriculum or training program in
18	entrepreneurship that will promote entrepreneurial
19	culture and competence. Entrepreneurship shall be
20	integrated in the curriculum of educational and training
21	institutions in all levels."
22	SEC. 8. Section 11-A of the same Act, as amended, is hereby
23	further amended to read as follows:
24	"Sec. 11-A. Composition of the Board of Directors
25	and its Powers The SB Corporation [corporate
26	powers shall be vested on] SHALL HAVE a Board of

1	Directors composed of [eleven (11)] THIRTEEN (13)
2	members which shall include the following:
3	"a) The Secretary of Trade and Industry;
4	"b) The Secretary of Finance;
5	"C) THE PRESIDENT OF THE GOVERNMENT
6	SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM (GSIS);
7	"D) THE PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY
8	System (SSS);
9	"[c] E) A private sector representative to be
10	appointed by the President of the Philippines upon
11	the recommendation of the MSMED Council;
12	"[d] F) Seven (7) representatives of the SB
13	Corporation common stock shareholders who shall be
14	elected based on proportional distribution, in
15	accordance with Section 24 of the Corporation Code; and
16	"[e)] G) The president of the SB Corporation as
17	ex-officio member and to serve as vice chairman of the
18	Board.
19	"The President shall appoint the chairman of the
20	Board from among its members.
21	"All members of the Board so appointed, except for
22	the ex-officio members, shall serve for a term of three
23	(3) years [without reappointment.] AND MAY BE
24	REAPPOINTED TO ANOTHER TERM UNLESS EARLIER
25	REVOKED. IF THE TERM OF THE INCUMBENT MEMBER
26	HAS EXPIRED, THE MEMBER SHALL CONTINUE TO
27	FUNCTION IN A HOLDOVER CAPACITY UNTIL A

1	REPLACEMENT HAS BEEN APPOINTED AND QUALIFIED.
2	[The]ANY person [so] appointed to replace a member
3	who has resigned, died, or been removed for cause shall
4	serve only for the unexpired portion of the term.
5	"The Board of Directors shall have, among others,
6	the following specific powers and authorities:
7	"x x x; and
8	"f) [Notwithstanding the provisions of Republic Act
9	No. 6758 and Compensation Circular No. 10, Series of
10	1989 issued by the Department of Budget and
11	Management, the Board shall have the authority to
12	p]Provide for the organizational structure, [and]
13	staffing pattern [of SB Corporation and to extend to the
14	employees and personnel thereof salaries, allowances
15	and fringe benefits similar to those extended to and
16	currently enjoyed by employees and personnel of other
17	government financial institutions.] AND COMPENSATION
18	OF EMPLOYEES AND PERSONNEL OF THE SB
19	CORPORATION, FOR SUBMISSION TO THE GOVERNANCE
20	COMMISSION FOR GOCCs."
21	SEC. 9. Section 11-B of the same Act, as amended, is hereby
22	further amended, to read as follows:
23	"Sec. 11-B. Corporate Structure and Powers
24	"A. The SB Corporation shall:
25	"x x x.

1	"B. For this purpose, the SB Corporation [subject t
2	compliance with the rules and regulations to be issue
3	by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) and th
4	Securities and Exchange Commission,] shall have th
5	following functions and duties:
6	"a) Source and adopt development initiatives for
7	globally competitive MSMES in finance and busines
8	technologies;
9	"b) [To] [e]Extend all forms of financial assistance
10	EXCEPT GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES, to eligible MSMEs[.]
11	AND NOT TO PRECLUDE RETAIL LENDING IN AREA
12	WHERE PRIVATE BANKS ARE NOT ABLE TO SERVE
13	SUBJECT TO CONSULTATION WITH THE PRIVATE BANKS
14	[SB Corporation may also engage in wholesale lending
15	The SB Corporation shall be given two (2) years from
16	the effectivity of this Act to comply with this
17	requirement;]
18	"c) Guarantee loans obtained by qualified MSME
19	under such terms and conditions adopted by the SI
20	Corporation Board of Directors, AS WELL AS ESTABLISH
21	A GUARANTEE SYSTEM FOR DISTRESSED ENTERPRISES
22	AS INSURANCE AGAINST EXTRAORDINARY DISASTERS;
23	"x x x;
24	"f) Apply for, receive and accept grants and
25	donations from sources within and outside the country
26	[and]

1	"g) Hold, own, purchase, acquire, sell, mortgage,
2	dispose or otherwise invest or re-invest in stocks, bonds,
3	treasury bills, debentures, securities and similar forms
4	of indebtedness of the government, its agencies and
5	instrumentalities or any government financial
6	institution[.]; AND
7	"H) SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE MSMED
8	COUNCIL, THE CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES AND
9	THE GOVERNANCE COMMISSION FOR GOCCS ON THE
10	PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE
11	CORPORATION.
12	"THE SB CORPORATION SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM
13	SECURING PRIOR BSP AUTHORIZATION FOR ENGAGING
14	IN QUASI-BANKING ACTIVITIES AND SHALL NOT BE
15	SUBJECT TO BSP SUPERVISION AND REGULATION FOR
16	SUCH ACTIVITIES."
17	SEC. 10. A new subsection is hereby inserted after Section
18	11-B of the same Act, as amended, and numbered as Section 11-C t
19	read as follows:
20	"SEC. 11-C. STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT OF THE SB
21	CORPORATION THE BOARD OF THE SB
22	CORPORATION, THROUGH ITS CHAIRMAN, SHALL BE
23	FULLY RESPONSIBLE AND ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE
24	PERFORMANCE OF THE CORPORATION'S MANDATE, TO
25	ENSURE THIS, THE BOARD SHALL BE CONSTITUTED AS A
26	MANAGING BOARD, LED BY ITS CHAIRMAN, TO
27	CONCEPTUALIZE THE STRATEGIC PLANS AND POLICIES
28	OF THE CORPORATION.

"THE SB CORPORATION SHALL ADOPT A BALANCED SCORECARD APPROACH, SUBJECT TO THE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNANCE COMMISSION FOR GOCCs, IN ITS STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT TO ENABLE IT TO MANAGE ITS FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE WHILE PURSUING THEIR PUBLIC POLICY OBJECTIVES OF SUPPORTING MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES DEVELOPMENT."

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SEC. 11. Section 12 of the same Act, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 12. Capitalization and Funding of the SB Corporation. - The SB Corporation shall have an authorized capital stock of Ten billion pesos (P10,000,000,000.00). The initial capital of One billion pesos (P1,000,000,000.00) shall be established from a pool of funds to be contributed in the form of equity investments in common stock by the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP), the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP), in the amount of Two hundred million pesos (P200,000,000.00) each. The Social Security System (SSS) and the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) shall also set aside Two hundred million pesos (P200,000,000.00) each for the SB Corporation. Authorized capital stock of the [s]Small [b]Business [c]Corporation shall be divided 80,000,000 common shares and 20,000,000 preferred shares with a par value of One hundred pesos (P100.00) per share: Provided, That the common shares

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which have been issued, including those issued against the assets of the KKK Guaranty Fund consolidated under the [s]Small [b]Business [c]Corporation by virtue of Executive Order No. 233, Series of 2000 and Executive Order No. 19, Series of 2001 and including those already subscribed, shall form part of the capitalization of the corporation: Provided, further. That holders of preferred shares issued under Republic Act No. 6977, as amended, shall have the option to convert the same into common shares. Additional equity funding shall come from trust placements of excess and unused funds of existing government agencies, bilateral and multilateral official development assistance funds, subscriptions from government owned or controlled corporations AND THE NATIONAL. GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT (DBM), and investments of private financial institutions and corporations: Provided. finally, That any investment from the private sector shall only be in the form of preferred shares.

"THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE FULL CAPITALIZATION OF THE SB CORPORATION WITHIN A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS FROM THE APPROVAL OF THIS ACT.

"[To allow for capital build-up, SB Corporation shall be given a five (5) year grace period on dividend commitments beginning on the date of effectivity of this

1	amendment. Thereafter, it THE SB CORPORATION
2	may [only] declare as dividend not more than thirty
3	percent (30%) of its net income and the rest withheld as
4	retained earnings."
5	SEC. 12. Section 13 of the same Act, as amended, is hereby
6	deleted.
7	"[SEC. 13. The SB Corporation shall be subject to
8	the supervision and examination of the Bangko
9	Sentral ng Pilipinas taking into consideration its
10	developmental objectives."]
11	SEC. 13. Section 14 of the same Act, as amended, is hereby
12	renumbered as Section 13, and further amended to read as follows:
13	"SEC. [14]13. Venture Capital and Micro Finance
14	Trust Fund The SB Corporation may set aside an
15	amount of money to encourage the setting up of a
16	venture capital and micro finance trust fund for the
17	purpose of promoting business opportunities available
18	to MSME sector. The Venture Capital Fund shall be
19	used mainly for venture capital finance especially in
20	technology-oriented industries. The micro finance trust
21	fund shall be used to provide collateral-free fixed and
22	working capital loans to micro and small enterprises
23	run by those emerging out of poverty. A SEED
24	AMOUNT OF AT LEAST TEN PERCENT (10%) OF THE
25	ADDITIONAL EQUITY CONTRIBUTION OF THE NATIONAL
26	GOVERNMENT TO THE CAPITALIZATION OF THE SMALL

1	BUSINESS CORPORATION BUT NOT MORE THAN FIVE
2	HUNDRED MILLION PESOS (P500,000,000.00) SHALL BE
3	SET ASIDE TO FUND THE VENTURE CAPITAL AND MICRO
4	FINANCE TRUST FUND."
5	SEC. 14. Section 15 of the same Act, as amended, is hereby
6	renumbered as Section 14, and further amended to read as follows:
7	"Sec. [15]14. Mandatory Allocation of Credit
8	Resources to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
9	For the period of ANOTHER ten (10) years from the date
10	of the effectivity of this amendatory Act, all lending
11	institutions as defined under Bangko Sentral ng
12	Pilipinas rules, whether public or private, shall set
13	aside at least eight percent (8%) for micro and small
14	enterprises and at least two percent (2%) for medium
15	enterprises of their total loan portfolio based on their
16	balance sheet as of the end of the previous quarter, and
17	make it available for MSME credit as herein
18	contemplated.
19	"Compliance of this provision shall be:
20	"a) actual extension of loans to eligible MSMEs; or
21	"x x x; or
22	"f) subscribe/purchase of liability instruments as
23	may be offered by the SB Corporation. THE SAME SHALL
24	NOT BE DEEMED AS QUASI-BANKING OPERATIONS, AND
25	SHALL NOT REQUIRE A QUASI-BANKING LICENSE FROM
26	THE BSP; OR

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"(G) LOANS TO MSME VALUE CHAIN ACTORS WHO ALLOW MSMES TO PARTICIPATE IN ORGANIZED OR FORMAL VALUE CHAINS. VALUE CHAIN ACTORS INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, TRADERS, SUPPLIERS, PROCESSORS, AGGREGATORS WHO CONDUCT LINKED SEQUENCE OF VALUE ADDING ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN BRINGING A PRODUCT TO FINAL CONSUMERS.

"The BangkoSentralng Pilipinas, CONSULTATION WITH THE MSMED COUNCIL AND THE SECRETARY OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY, shall formulate rules for the effective implementation of this provision: Provided, That the purchase of government notes, securities and other negotiable instruments shall not be deemed compliance with the foregoing provisions: Provided, further, That the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, IN CONSULTATION WITH ALL STAKEHOLDERS, shall establish [an] A MEANINGFUL incentive [program] SYSTEM to encourage [lending to micro, small and medium industries beyond the mandatory credit allocation to said enterprises, COMPLIANCE WITH THIS PROVISION, such as possible reduction in bank's reserve requirement[.]: PROVIDED, FINALLY, THAT BANGKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS SHALL ALIGN ITS REGULATIONS ON THE PENALTIES FOR BANKS AND OTHER ENTITIES, FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISION FOR MANDATORY LENDING.

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"The MSMED Council shall set up the appropriate systems to monitor all loan applications of MSMEs in order to account for the absorptive capacity of the MSME sector. EACH LENDING INSTITUTION SHALL DESIGNATE A CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER WHO WILL PREPARE AND SIGN THE REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THE MANDATORY CREDIT ALLOCATION, FOR SUBMISSION TO THE BANGKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS. The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas shall furnish to the MSMED Council on a quarterly basis comprehensive reports on the banks' compliance [,] AND noncompliance [and penalties of] WITH the above provisions on the mandatory credit allocation for MSMEs[.], AND SHALL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT, SIGNED BY AN OFFICER WITH THE RANK OF AT LEAST A MANAGING DIRECTOR, ON THE AMOUNTS OF THE PENALTIES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THE MANDATORY LENDING PROVISION OF THIS ACT.

"Lending institutions which are not qualified to acquire or hold lands of the public domain in the Philippines shall be permitted to bid and take part in sales of mortgaged real property in case of judicial or extra-judicial foreclosure, as well as avail of receivership, enforcement and other proceedings, solely upon default of a borrower, and for a period not exceeding five (5) years from actual possession: *Provided*, That in no event shall title to the property be

1	transferred to such lending institution. If the lending
2	institution is the winning bidder, it may, during said
3	five (5) year period, transfer its rights to a qualified
4	Philippine national, without prejudice to a borrower's
5	rights under applicable laws."
6	SEC. 15. Sections 16, 17 and 18 of the same Act, as amended
7	are hereby renumbered as Sections 15, 16 and 17, respectively, to
8	read as follows:
9	"Sec. [16]15. Micro, Small, and Medium
10	Enterprise Week. $- x x x$ ."
11	"Sec. [17]16. Presidential Awards for Outstanding
12	$MSME x \times x.$ "
13.	"Sec. [18]17. Congressional Oversight Committee.
14	- x x x."
15	SEC. 16. Section 19 of the same Act, as amended, is hereby
16	renumbered as Section 18, and further amended, to read as follows:
17	"SEC. [19]18. Penalty Clause The BANGKO
18	SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS shall impose administrative
19	sanctions and other penalties on the lending
20	institutions for non[-]compliance with THE provisions of
21	this Act [including a fine of not less than Five hundred
22	thousand pesos (P500,000.00)]. THE MINIMUM PENALTY
23	FOR NONCOMPLIANCE IS SET AT FIVE HUNDRED
24	THOUSAND PESOS (P500,000.00) AND THE MAXIMUM
25	PENALTY FIVE MILLION PESOS (P5,000,000.00), IN
26	PROPORTION TO THE BANK'S OR OTHER ENTITY'S LEVEL

OF COMPLIANCE: PROVIDED, THAT A SMALLER PENALTY IS SET AT ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P100,000.00) FOR SMALLER BANKS' NONCOMPLIANCE. AS USED IN THIS ACT, SMALL BANKS SHALL BE DEFINED AS BANKS WITH CAPITALIZATION OF NOT MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED MILLION PESOS (P500,000,000.00): PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT THE DEFINITION OF SMALL BANKS SHALL BE REGULARLY REVIEWED BY THE MSMED COUNCIL: PROVIDED, FINALLY, THAT THE AFOREMENTIONED PENALTIES SHALL NOT BE IMPOSED ON NEWLY-ESTABLISHED DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN BANKS WITHIN ONE (1) YEAR FROM THE DATE THEY COMMENCED THEIR OPERATIONS.

"Penalties on noncompliance shall be directed to the development of the MSME sector. Ninety percent (90%) of the penalties collected should go to the MSMED Council Fund, while the remaining ten percent (10%) should be given to the BSP to cover for administrative expenses.

"THE MSMED COUNCIL SHALL SUBMIT TO THE CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES AN ANNUAL REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE PENALTIES REMITTED AND HOW THE SAME WERE USED OR ARE BEING USED IN RELATION TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SERVICES TO MSMES IN THE AREAS OF CAPACITY BUILDING, TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION, COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION, AND OTHER INTERVENTIONS FOR MSME DEVELOPMENT, GROWTH AND SUSTAINABILITY."

1	SEC. 17. Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) The
2	Department of Trade and Industry, through the Bureau of Micro,
3	Small and Medium Business Development and in consultation with
4	the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas and other concerned government
5	agencies, nongovernment organizations and private sector agencies
6	involved in the promotion of MSMEs, shall formulate the
7	implementing rules and regulations (IRR) necessary to implement
8	the provisions of this Act within ninety (90) days from the approval
9	of this Act: Provided, That the IRR shall be reviewed yearly:
10	Provided, further, That the IRR shall be approved by the MSMED
11	Council. The IRR issued pursuant to this section shall take effect
12	thirty (30) days after its publication in a national newspaper of
13	general circulation.

SEC. 18. Separability Clause. - The provisions of this Act are hereby declared to be separable. If any provision of this Act shall be held unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 19. Repealing Clause. - All laws, executive orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 20. Effectivity. — This Act shall take effect within fifteen (15) days from its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,