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| 1 | AN ACT |
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| 2 | STRENGTHENING DRUG PREVENTION AND CONTROL, AMENDING FOR THE |
| 3 | PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9165, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE |
| 4 | "COMPREHENSIVE DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT OF 2002" |
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| 6 | Be it enacted by Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled: |
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| 8 | SECTION 1. Section 3 of Republic Act No. 9165, as amended, is hereby amended to |
| 9 | read as follows: |
| 10 | "SEC. 3. Definitions As used in this Act, the following terms shall |
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| 15 | "(C-1) CHEMICAL DEPENDENCE. – A CONDITION OF |
| 16 | MENTAL OR MENTAL AND PHYSICAL DEPENDENCE |
| 17 | ON ANY CONTROLLED PRECURSOR AND ESSENTIAL |
| 18 | CHEMICAL OR VOLATILE SUBSTANCE THAT AFFECTS THE |
| 19 | CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM, CHARACTERIZED BY |
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THIS SUBSTANCE AND WHOSE EFFECTS VARY DEPENDING UPON THE KIND OF CONTROLLED PRECURSOR AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICAL TAKEN BY THE DEPENDENT OR USER.

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5 "(h) Controlled Precursors and Essential Chemicals. - Include those listed in 6 Tables I and II of the 1988 UN Convention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances as enumerated in the attached annex, which is an integral part of this Act[-], ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS AND CHEMICALS WHICH SHALL BE 9 HEREINAFTER ADDED TO THE LIST OF CONTROLLED PRECURSORS. PURSUANT TO SECTION 93 OF THIS ACT OR ANY DERIVATIVE AND PREPARATION CONTAINING SUCH CHEMICALS OR ARE SOURCED THEREFROM WHICH ARE PRESUMED TO FALL WITHIN THE AMBIT THEREOF.

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"(j) Dangerous Drugs. - Include those listed in the Schedules annexed to the 1961 Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, as amended by the 1972 Protocol, and in the Schedules annexed to the 1971 Single Convention on Psychotropic Substances as enumerated in the attached annex, which is an integral part of this Act[.], ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS AND CHEMICALS WHICH ARE HEREINAFTER ADDED TO THE LIST OF CONTROLLED PRECURSORS PURSUANT TO SECTION 93 OF THIS ACT OR DERIVATIVES AND PREPARATIONS CONTAINING SUCH CHEMICALS OR ARE SOURCED THEREFROM WHICH ARE PRESUMED TO FALL WITHIN THE AMBIT THEREOF.

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"(r) Illegal Trafficking. - The illegal cultivation, culture, delivery, administration, dispensation, manufacture, sale, trading, transportation, distribution, importation, exportation, CHEMICAL DIVERSION, and possession of any dangerous drug and/or controlled precursor and essential chemical.

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"(DD-1) PROPER DISPOSAL. - ANY ACT OF DISCARDING DANGEROUS DRUGS AT A LICENSED OR AUTHORIZED FACILITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS, NOT TO BE RESUED OR SOLD FOR ANY PURPOSE.

35 "(DD-2) **PROPERTY. - ANY PROPERTY, SITE, STRUCTURE,** 36 PART OF A STRUCTURE, OR THE GROUND SURROUNDING A STRUCTURE 37 INCLUDING SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE, OUTBUILDING, GARAGE, UNIT 38 OR MULTIPLEX, CONDOMINIUM, APARTMENT BUILDING, WAREHOUSE,

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HOTEL, MOTEL, BOAT, MOTOR VEHICLE, TRAILER, MANUFACTURED HOUSING, SHOP, OR BOOTH AND OTHER SIMILAR STRUCTURE.

"(ee) Protector/Coddler. - Any person who knowingly and willfully consents to the unlawful acts provided for in this Act and uses his/her influence, power or position in shielding, harboring, screening or facilitating the escape of any person he/she knows, or ANY PERSON WHO has reasonable grounds to believe or suspect[3] THAT AN INDIVIDUAL has violated the provisions of this Act, AND HE/SHE USES HIS/HER **INFLUENCE**, **POWER OR POSITION** in order to prevent the arrest, prosecution [and] OR conviction of the violator.

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"(LL) WASTE. - ANY REFUSE, GARBAGE, OR OTHER DISCARDED MATERIAL, EITHER SOLID OR LIQUID."

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

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15 "SEC. 4. Importation AND/OR EXPORTATION of Dangerous Drugs 16 and/or Controlled Precursors and Essential Chemicals. - The penalty of life 17 imprisonment [to death] and a fine ranging from Five hundred thousand pesos 18 (P500,000.00) to Ten million pesos (P10,000,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person, 19 who, unless authorized by law, shall import or bring into OR EXPORT FROM the Philippines any dangerous drug, regardless of the quantity and purity involved, including any and all species of opium poppy or any part thereof or substances derived therefrom even for floral, decorative and culinary purposes.

23 "The penalty of imprisonment ranging from twelve (12) years and one (1) day to 24 twenty (20) years and a fine ranging from One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) to 25 Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person, who, 26 unless authorized by law, shall import AND/OR EXPORT any controlled precursor and 27 essential chemical.

"The maximum penalty provided for under this Section shall be imposed upon any person, who, unless authorized under this Act, shall import or bring into OR EXPORT FROM the Philippines any dangerous drug and/or controlled precursor and essential chemical through the use of a diplomatic passport, diplomatic facilities or any other means involving his/her official status intended to facilitate the unlawful entry of the same. In addition, the diplomatic passport shall be confiscated and cancelled.

34 "ANY PERSON WHO IS FOUND TO HAVE IN HIS/HER POSSESSION 35 OR UNDER HIS/HER DIRECT OR INDIRECT CONTROL ANY DOCUMENT, 36 PURCHASE ORDER, MEMORANDUM RECEIPT, DELIVERY RECEIPT, BILL 37 OF LADING, OR ANY WRITTEN MATTER CONTAINING INFORMATION 38 RELATED TO OR IN CONNECTION WITH ANY DANGEROUS DRUGS

AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS IS, UNTIL PROVEN OTHERWISE, PRESUMED TO HAVE IMPORTED OR EXPORTED THE DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS THAT ARE THE SUBJECT MATTER OF SUCH DOCUMENT OR WRITING.

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"The maximum penalty provided for under this Section shall be imposed upon any person, who organizes, manages or acts as a "financier" of any of the illegal activities prescribed in this Section.

"A PERSON IS PRESUMED A FINANCIER IF HE/SHE CAUSES THE 9 PAYMENT, RAISES, PROVIDES OR SUPPLIES MONEY FOR OR 10 UNDERWRITES THE IMPORTATION OR EXPORTATION OF DANGEROUS 11 DRUGS OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS. 12 ANY EVIDENCE SHOWING DELIVERY OR TRANSFER OF MONEY, OR 13 DRAWING OR ISSUANCE OF A CHECK, MONETARY INSTRUMENT OR 14 DOCUMENT TO THE ACCOUNT, CUSTODY OR CONTROL OF A PERSON 15 OR ENTITY KNOWN TO BE CONNECTED WITH OR WORKING FOR AN 16 IMPORTER OR EXPORTER OF DANGEROUS DRUGS OR CONTROLLED 17 AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS, UNLESS PROVEN PRECURSORS 18 OTHERWISE, IS PRIMA FACIE PROOF OF THE CONSENT TO OR 19 KNOWLEDGE OF THE SENDER, TRANSFEROR OR ISSUER OF THE 20 FINANCING OF THE ILLEGAL IMPORTATION OR EXPORTATION OF SUCH 21 DANGEROUS DRUGS, CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL 22 CHEMICALS. THIS PRESUMPTION MAY BE OVERTURNED UPON 23 PRESENTATION OF PROOF THAT THE IMPORTATION OR EXPORTATION 24 25 IS AUTHORIZED OR VALID.

"The penalty of twelve (12) years and one (1) day to twenty (20) years of
imprisonment and a fine ranging from One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) to Five
hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person, who acts as a
"protector/coddler" of any violator of the provisions under this Section.

"A PERSON IS PRESUMED A PROTECTOR OR CODDLER OF A 30 EXPORTS DANGEROUS DRUGS, PERSON WHO IMPORTS OR 31 CONTROLLED PRECURSONRS OR ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS TO BE USED 32 IN THE PREPARATION FOR SUCH DANGEROUS DRUGS, IF HE/SHE KNOWS 33 THE IMPORTER OR EXPORTER OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR 34 CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS, AND HE/SHE 35 USES HIS/HER INFLUENCE, POWER OR POSITION TO SHIELD, HARBOR, 36 SCREEN OR FACILITATE THE ESCAPE OF SAID IMPORTER OR 37 EXPORTER. A PERSON IS LIKEWISE PRESUMED A PROTECTOR OR 38

1 CODDLER IF HE/SHE HAS KNOWLEDGE OF OR HAS REASONABLE 2 GROUND TO BELIEVE THAT THE VIOLATOR IS AN IMPORTER OR 3 EXPORTER OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS 4 AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS, AND HE/SHE USES HIS INFLUENCE, POWER 5 OR POSITION IN PREVENTING THE ARREST, PROSECUTION OR 6 CONVICTION OF THE IMPORTER OR EXPORTER.

7 "UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, A PERSON WHO SHIELDS, 8 HARBORS, SCREENS OR FACILITATES THE ESCAPE OF, OR PREVENTS 9 THE ARREST, PROSECUTION, OR CONVICTION OF THE IMPORTER OR 10 EXPORTER IS PRESUMED TO HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF, OR HAS 11 WILLFULLY CONSENTED TO, THE ILLEGAL IMPORTATION OR EXPORTATION AND THAT HE/SHE HAS USED HIS/HER INFLUENCE, 12 POWER OR POSITION. EXCEPT WHEN IT IS DONE BY ANY MEMBER OF 13 14 THE IMPORTER'S OR EXPORTER'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY OR HIS/HER LEGAL COUNSEL, A PERSON WHO INTERCEDES AND/OR REPRESENTS 15 16 THE SAID IMPORTER OR EXPORTER IS, UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, 17 PRESUMED то HAVE SHIELDED, HARBORED, SCREENED OR 18 FACILITATED THE ESCAPE OF OR PREVENTED THE ARREST. 19 **PROSECUTION OR CONVICTION OF THE IMPORTER OR EXPORTER."**

SEC. 3. Section 5 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 5. Sale. Trading. Administration. Dispensation, Delivery, Distribution and Transportation of Dangerous Drugs and/or Controlled Precursors and Essential Chemicals. - The penalty of life imprisonment [to death] and a fine ranging from Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) to Ten million pesos (P10,000,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person, who, unless authorized by law, shall sell, trade, administer, dispense, deliver, give away to another, distribute, dispatch in transit or transport any dangerous drug, including any and all species of opium poppy regardless of the quantity and purity involved, or shall act as a broker in any of such transactions.

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33 "UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, ANY PERSON FOUND OR IS 34 PRESENT WITHIN OR INSIDE THE PLACE OF SALE, TRADING, 35 MARKETING. DISPENSATION, DELIVERY OR DISTRIBUTION, IS PRESUMED TO HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE SALE, TRADE OR 36 37 DISTRIBUTION OF DANGEROUS DRUGS, CONTROLLED PRECURSORS OR 38 ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS.

"ANY PERSON FOUND IN POSSESSION OF DANGEROUS DRUGS IN
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 PRESUMED TO HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN SELLING, TRADING,
 DISPENSATION, ADMINISTRATION, DELIVERY, DISTRIBUTION AND/OR
 TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS DRUGS:

200 GRAMS OR MORE OF SHABU, COCAINE, COCAINE (1) 6 HYDROCHLORIDE, OPIUM, HEROINE, MORPHINE, MARIJUANA RESIN OR 7 MARIJUANA RESIN OIL, OR OTHER DANGEROUS DRUGS SUCH AS 8 OR "ECSTASY," METHYLENEDOXYMETAMPHETAMINE (MDMA) 9 PARAMETHOXYAMPHETAMINE (PMA), TRIMETHOXYAMPHETAMINE 10 (LSD), GAMMA ACIDE DIETHYLAMINE LYSERGIC (TMA), 11 HYDROXYBUTYRATE (GHB), AND THOSE THAT ARE SIMILARLY 12 ARE NEWLY INTRODUCED DRUGS AND THEIR DESIGNED OR 13 **DERIVATIVES:** 14

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(2) 500 GRAMS OR MORE OF MARIJUANA."

16 "The maximum penalty provided for under this Section shall be imposed upon any
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18 prescribed in this Section.

"A PERSON IS PRESUMED A FINANCIER IF HE/SHE CAUSES THE 19 PAYMENT, RAISE OR PROVIDES OR SUPPLIES MONEY FOR, OR 20 UNDERWRITES THE SALE, TRADING OR DISTRIBUTION OF DANGEROUS 21 AND ESSENTIAL AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS DRUGS 22 CHEMICALS. ANY EVIDENCE SHOWING DELIVERY OR TRANSFER OF 23 MONEY, OR THE DRAWING, ISSUANCE OR TRANSFERRING OF ISSUANCE 24 OF A CHECK, MONETARY INSTRUMENT, INVESTMENT OR PROPERTY TO 25 THE ACCOUNT, CUSTODY OR CONTROL OF A PERSON OR ENTITY 26 CONNECTED WITH OR WORKING FOR A SELLER, TRADER OR 27 DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED DISTRIBUTOR OF 28 PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS IS, UNLESS PROVEN 29 OTHERWISE, A PRIMA FACIE PROOF OF KNOWLEDGE BY THE SENDER. 30 TRANSFERROR OR ISSUER OF THE FINANCING OF AN UNLAWFUL ACT 31 **OR ACTIVITY.** 32

"The penalty of twelve (12) years and one (1) day to twenty (20) years of imprisonment and a fine ranging from One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) to Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person, who acts as a "protector/coddler" of any violator of the provisions under this Section.

37 "A PERSON IS PRESUMED A PROTECTOR OR CODDLER IF HE/SHE
38 KNOWS THE SELLER, TRADER, DISTRIBUTOR OR VIOLATOR OF THIS

1 SECTION AND HE/SHE USES HIS/HER INFLUENCE, POWER OR POSITION IN 2 SHIELDING, HARBORING, SCREENING OR FACILITATING THE ESCAPE OF 3 SAID VIOLATOR. A PERSON IS LIKEWISE PRESUMED A PROTECTOR OR 4 CODDLER IF HE/SHE HAS KNOWLEDGE OF OR HAS REASONABLE GROUND 5 TO BELIEVE OR TO SUSPECT THAT THE VIOLATOR IS A SELLER. TRADER. 6 OR DISTRIBUTOR OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED 7 PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS, AND HE/SHE USES HIS/HER 8 INFLUENCE, POWER OR POSITION IN PREVENTING THE ARREST, 9 PROSECUTION OR CONVICTION OF THE VIOLATOR.

10 "A PERSON WHO SHIELDS, HARBORS, SCREENS OR FACILITATES 11 THE ESCAPE OF, OR PREVENTS THE ARREST, PROSECUTION OR 12 CONVICTION OF, THE SELLER, TRADER, DISTRIBUTOR OR VIOLATOR OF 13 THIS SECTION IS, UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, PRESUMED TO HAVE 14 KNOWLEDGE OF OR WILLFULLY CONSENTED TO, THE ILLEGAL SELLING. 15 TRADING OR DISTRIBUTION AND HAS USE HIS/HER INFLUENCE, POWER OR POSITION IN DOING SO. EXCEPT WHEN IT IS DONE BY ANY MEMBER 16 17 OF THE VIOLATOR'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY OR HIS/HER LEGAL COUNSEL. 18 A PERSON WHO INTERCEDES AND/OR REPRESENTS THE SAID VIOLATOR 19 IS, UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, PRESUMED TO HAVE SHIELDED, HARBORED, SCREENED OR FACILITATED THE ESCAPE OF, OR 20 21 PREVENTED THE ARREST, PROSECUTION OR CONVICTION OF THE 22 **VIOLATOR.**"

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

"SEC. 6. *Maintenance of a Den, Dive or Resort.* – The penalty of life imprisonment **[to death]** and a fine ranging from Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) to Ten million pesos (P10,000,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person or group of persons who shall maintain a den, dive or resort [where any dangerous drug is used or sold in any form] AS DEFINED UNDER THIS ACT.

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"Should any dangerous drug be the proximate cause of the death of a person using the same in such den, dive or resort, the penalty of [death] LIFE IMPRISONMENT and a fine ranging from One million (P1,000,000.00) to Fifteen million pesos (P15,000,000.00) shall be imposed on the maintainer, owner and/or operator."

35 "If such den, dive or resort is owned by a third person, the same shall be
36 confiscated and escheated in favor of the government: *PROVIDED*, THAT IN CASE
37 THE OWNER OF SUCH PROPERTY IS A PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION,
38 ASSOCIATION OR ANY JURIDICAL ENTITY, THE PARTNER, PRESIDENT,

1 DIRECTOR, MANAGER TRUSTEE, ESTATE ADMINISTRATOR, OR OFFICER 2 WHO CONSENTS TO OR TOLERATES SUCH VIOLATION SHALL BE 3 CRIMINALLY LIABLE AS CO-PRINCIPAL: Provided, FURTHER, That the 4 criminal complaint shall specifically allege that such place is intentionally used in the 5 furtherance of the crime: Provided, [further] FURTHERMORE. That the prosecution 6 shall prove such intent on the part of the owner, PARTNER, PRESIDENT, 7 DIRECTOR, MANAGER, TRUSTEE, ESTATE ADMINISTRATOR OR OFFICER 8 OF THE JURIDICAL ENTITY to use the property for such purpose: Provided, finally, 9 That the owner, PARTNER, PRESIDENT, DIRECTOR, MANAGER, TRUSTEE, ESTATE ADMINISTRATOR OR OFFICER OF THE JURIDICAL ENTITY shall 10 11 be included as an accused in the criminal complaint.

12 "FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING ARE
13 PRESUMED:

(A) ANY DEN, DIVE, RESORT IS PRESUMED INTENTIONALLY
 USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF SELLING OR USING DANGEROUS DRUGS
 AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS EVEN
 ON ONE OCCASION ONLY;

(B) A PERSON IS PRESUMED AN OPERATOR, MAINTAINER OR
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 OR CONSTRUCTIVE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF SUCH PREMISES;
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(C) IF ANY PARAPHERNALIA OR INSTRUMENT SUITABLE OR FIT FOR THE USE OR ADMINISTRATION OF ANY DANGEROUS DRUG IS FOUND IN A DEN, DIVE OR RESORT, IT IS PRESUMED THAT THE PREMISES ARE USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ADMINISTRATION, SMOKING OR CONSUMPTION OF A DANGEROUS DRUG BY A HUMAN BEING AND THAT THE OPERATOR, MAINTAINER OR ADMINISTRATOR PERMITS SAID PREMISES TO BE USED FOR SUCH PURPOSE.

29 "The maximum penalty provided for under this Section shall be imposed upon any
30 person who organizes, manages or acts as a "financier" of any of the illegal activities
31 prescribed in this Section.

32 "A PERSON IS PRESUMED A FINANCIER OF A DEN, DIVE OR
33 RESORT IF HE/SHE CAUSES THE PAYMENT, RAISES, PROVIDES OR
34 SUPPLIES MONEY FOR OR UNDERWRITES THE OPERATION AND
35 MAINTENANCE THEREOF. ANY EVIDENCE SHOWING THE DELIVERY OR
36 TRANSFER OF MONEY, OR DRAWING OR ISSUANCE OF A CHECK,
37 MONETARY INSTRUMENT, INVESTMENT OR PROPERTY TO THE
38 ACCOUNT, CUSTODY OR CONTROL OF THE OPERATOR, MANAGER OR

MAINTAINER OF A DEN, DIVE OR RESORT IS, UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, A *PRIMA FACIE* PROOF OF THE SENDER'S, TRANSFERROR'S OR ISSUER'S KNOWLEDGE OF FINANCING THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE THEREOF.

"The penalty of twelve (12) years and one (1) day to twenty (20) years of imprisonment and a fine ranging from One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) to Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person, who acts as a "protector/coddler" of any violator of the provisions under this Section.

9 "A PERSON IS PRESUMED A PROTECTOR OR CODDLER IF HE/SHE 10 KNOWS THE OPERATOR, MAINTAINER, ADMINISTRATOR OR MANAGER OF THE DEN, DIVE OR RESORT AND HE/SHE USES HIS/HER INFLUENCE, 11 12 POWER OR POSITION IN SHIELDING, HARBORING, SCREENING OR FACILITATING THE ESCAPE OF THE VIOLATOR. A PERSON IS LIKEWISE 13 PRESUMED A PROTECTOR OR CODDLER IF HE/SHE HAS KNOWLEDGE OF 14 15 OR HAS REASONABLE GROUND TO BELIEVE OR TO SUSPECT THAT THE 16 SAID OPERATOR, MAINTAINER, ADMINISTRATOR OR MANAGER ACTUALLY OPERATES, MAINTAINS, ADMINISTERS OR MANAGES A DEN, 17 DIVE OR RESORT AND HE/SHE USES HIS/HER INFLUENCE, POWER OR 18 19 POSITION IN PREVENTING THE ARREST, PROSECUTION OR CONVICTION 20 OF THE VIOLATOR.

"UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, A PERSON WHO SHIELDS, 21 22 HARBORS, SCREENS OR FACILITATES THE ESCAPE OF, OR PREVENTS 23 THE ARREST, PROSECUTION OR CONVICTION OF, AN OPERATOR, MAINTAINER, ADMINISTRATOR OR MANAGER OF A DEN, DIVE OR 24 **RESORT IS PRESUMED TO HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF, OR HAVE WILLFULLY** 25 26 CONSENTED TO THE OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF A DEN, DIVE OR RESORT AND HE/SHE USES HIS/HER INFLUENCE, POWER OR 27 POSITION IN DOING THE SAME. EXCEPT WHEN IT IS DONE BY ANY 28 29 MEMBER OF THE OPERATOR'S, MAINTAINER'S, ADMINISTRATOR'S OR MANAGER'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY OR HIS/HER LEGAL COUNSEL, A 30 PERSON WHO INTERCEDES AND/OR REPRESENTS THE VIOLATOR IS, 31 UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, PRESUMED TO HAVE SHIELDED, 32 33 HARBORED, SCREENED OR FACILITATED THE ESCAPE OF OR 34 PREVENTED THE ARREST, PROSECUTION OR CONVICTION OF SAID 35 **OPERATOR, MAINTAINER, ADMINISTRATOR OR MANAGER."**

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SEC. 5. Section 8 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

37 "SEC. 8. Manufacture of Dangerous Drugs and/or Controlled Precursors
 38 and Essential Chemicals. – The penalty of life imprisonment [to death] and a fine ranging

Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) to Ten Million pesos (P10,000,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person, who, unless authorized by law, shall engage in the manufacture of any dangerous drug.

"The presence of any controlled precursor and essential chemical or laboratory equipment in the clandestine laboratory is a *prima facie* proof of manufacture of any dangerous drug **OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS**. It shall be considered an aggravating circumstance if the clandestine laboratory is undertaken or established under the following circumstances:

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"ANY PERSON FOUND OR IS PRESENT WITHIN THE PREMISES OF A CLANDESTINE LABORATORY OR THE PLACE WHERE DANGEROUS DRUGS ARE MANUFACTURED, PRODUCED, PREPARED, COMPOUNDED, PROCESSED, PACKED OR RE-PACKED IS, UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, PRESUMED INVOLVED IN OR HAS PARTICIPATED IN MANUFACTURING OR PRODUCING DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS.

"ANY EQUIPMENT, APPARATUS, PARAPHERNALIA SUITABLE FOR 20 THE USE, MANUFACTURE OR PRODUCTION OF DANGEROUS DRUGS 21 AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS 22 FOUND IN A CLANDESTINE LABORATORY, OR IN ANY OTHER PLACE OR 23 PROPERTY, SHALL BE PRESUMED PRIMA FACIE PROOF THAT SAID 24 LABORATORY, PLACE OR PROPERTY IS USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF 25 MANUFACTURE OR PRODUCTION OF ANY DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR 26 CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS, AND THAT 27 THE PERSON WHO HAS THE ACTUAL OR CONSTRUCTIVE CONTROL OR 28 MANAGEMENT THEREOF PERMITS SUCH PROPERTY TO BE USED FOR 29 THE PURPOSE. 30

31 "The maximum penalty provided for under this Section shall be imposed upon any
32 person, who organizes, manages or acts as a "financier" of any of the illegal activities
33 prescribed in this Section.

34 "A PERSON IS PRESUMED A FINANCIER IF HE/SHE CAUSES THE
 35 PAYMENT, RAISES, PROVIDES OR SUPPLIES THE MONEY FOR, OR
 36 UNDERWRITES THE MANUFACTURE, PRODUCTION, PREPARATION,
 37 COMPOUNDING OR PROCESSING OF DANGEROUS DRUG AND
 38 CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS. ANY

1 EVIDENCE SHOWING DELIVERY OR TRANSFER OF MONEY, OR 2 DRAWING OR ISSUANCE OF A CHECK, NEGOTIABLE OR NON-3 NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENT OR DOCUMENT TO THE ACCOUNT OR CUSTODY OF A PERSON OR ENTITY KNOWN TO BE CONNECTED WITH 4 5 OR WORKING FOR, A MANUFACTURER, PRODUCER OR PROCESSOR OF 6 DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND 7 ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS IS, UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, A PRIMA 8 FACIE PROOF OF THE SENDER'S, TRANSFERROR'S OR ISSUER'S 9 CONSENT OR KNOWLEDGE OF FINANCING THE VIOLATOR'S UNLAWFUL 10 ACTIVITIES.

11 "The penalty of twelve (12) years and one (1) day to twenty (20) years of 12 imprisonment and a fine ranging from One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) to Five 13 hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person, who acts as a 14 "protector/coddler" of any violator of the provisions under this Section.

15 "A PERSON IS PRESUMED A PROTECTOR OR CODDLER IF HE/SHE 16 KNOWS THE MANUFACTURER, PRODUCER OR PROCESSOR OF ANY 17 DANGEROUS DRUG AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSOR AND ESSENTIAL 18 CHEMICAL, AND HE/SHE USES HIS/HER INFLUENCE, POWER OR 19 POSITION TO SHIELD, HARBOR, SCREEN OR FACILITATE THE ESCAPE 20 OF SAID MANUFACTURER, PRODUCER OR PROCESSOR. A PERSON IS 21 LIKEWISE PRESUMED A PROTECTOR OR CODDLER IF HE/SHE HAS 22 KNOWLEDGE OF OR HAS REASONABLE GROUND TO BELIEVE THAT ONE 23 IS A MANUFACTURER, PRODUCER OR PROCESSOR OF DANGEROUS 24 DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL 25 CHEMICALS, AND HE/SHE USES HIS/HER INFLUENCE, POWER OR 26 POSITION IN PREVENTING THE ARREST, PROSECUTION OR CONVICTION 27 OF THE MANUFACTURER, PRODUCER OR PROCESSOR.

28 "THE OFFENDER SHALL BE HELD LIABLE TO PAY THE COST OF
 29 THE CLEAN UP OF THE CLANDESTINE LABORATORY ON THE
 30 PROPERTY.

31 "IN ANY SALE OR LEASE OF PROPERTY, IT IS THE DUTY OF THE
32 OWNER OF RECORD OR HIS/HER AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO
33 DISCLOSE ACTUAL KNOWLEDGE OF PRIOR USE OF THE PROPERTY AS A
34 CLANDESTINE LABORATORY TO THE BUYER OR LESSEE. THE LESSOR
35 MUST INCLUDE IN THE LEASE CONTRACT A PROHIBITION THAT THE
36 PROPERTY BEING LEASED WILL NOT BE USED FOR THE ILLICIT
37 MANUFACTURE OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED

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PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS IN VIOLATION OF THIS ACT."

3 SEC. 6. A new section denominated as Section 8-A is hereby inserted after Section 8 of the same 4 Act, to read as follows:

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"SEC. 8-A. NEGLIGENT OWNER OR LESSOR OF PROPERTY USED AS CLANDESTINE LABORATORY. - THE PENALTY OF IMPRISONMENT 6 7 RANGING FROM SIX (6) YEARS AND ONE (1) DAY TO TWELVE (12) YEARS 8 AND A FINE RANGING FROM FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS 9 (P500,000.00) TO ONE MILLION PESOS (P1,000,000.00) SHALL BE IMPOSED 10 UPON THE OWNER OR LESSOR OF A BUILDING, WAREHOUSE, OR ANY 11 PROPERTY, OR IN HIS/HER ABSENCE, THE DULY AUTHORIZED 12 **REPRESENTATIVE WHO LEASES THE PROPERTY TO ANY PERSON BUT** 13 OMITS OR FAILS TO ASCERTAIN, CHECK AND CONFIRM THAT THE 14 PROPERTY IS ACTUALLY USED FOR A LAWFUL PURPOSE, AND WHICH 15 PROPERTY IS FOUND TO HAVE BEEN ACTUALLY UTILIZED AS 16 CLANDESTINE LABORATORY OR USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OR 17 STORAGE OF DANGEROUS DRUGS, CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND 18 ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS. THE MAXIMUM PENALTY SHALL BE IMPOSED 19 UPON THE OWNER OR LESSOR, OR HIS/HER DULY AUTHORIZED 20 **REPRESENTATIVE WHO HAS DISCOVERED THE ILLEGAL ACTIVITY BUT** 21 FAILED TO REPORT THE SAME TO PROPER AUTHORITIES.

22 IF THE PROPERTY SUBJECT OF LEASE IS GOVERNMENT-OWNED. 23 THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES, WHO OMIT OR FAIL TO OBSERVE AND DISCHARGE THE LEGAL OBLIGATION REQUIRED IN 24 25 THE PRECEDING PARAGRAPH SHALL SUFFER THE MAXIMUM PENALTY 26 IN ADDITION TO ABSOLUTE PERPETUAL DISQUALIFICATION FROM ANY 27 PUBLIC OFFICE.

28 IF THE PROPERTY SUBJECT OF LEASE IS OWNED BY A 29 PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION, ASSOCIATION, OR ANY JURIDICAL 30 ENTITY, THE PERSON LIABLE TO THE PENALTY PRESCRIBED IN THE FIRST PARAGRAPH OF THIS SECTION IS THE CORPORATE OR 31 32 ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CHIEF 33 OPERATING OFFICER OR MANAGER, OR ANY PARTNER IN A 34 PARTNERSHIP, ANY MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES 35 OF ANY CORPORATION OR ASSOCIATION, ANY ESTATE EXECUTOR AND 36 ADMINISTRATOR. OR ANY OF THEIR DULY AUTHORIZED 37 **REPRESENTATIVE.**

FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE PERSONS LIABLE IN THE PRECEDING THREE (3) PARAGRAPHS HEREIN ARE, UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, PRESUMED TO HAVE GIVEN THEIR CONSENT TO THE ILLEGAL USE OF THE LEASED PROPERTY IF THEY FAIL TO VISIT AND INSPECT THE LEASED PROPERTY AT LEAST ONCE EVERY QUARTER.

"THE VISITATION SHALL BE EVIDENCED BY AN AFFIDAVIT TO BE 6 7 EXECUTED WITHIN FIVE (5) DAYS FROM DATE OF VISITATION AND 8 INSPECTION, BY THE PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL, CONCERNED GOVERNMENT 9 OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE, OR CONCERNED OFFICER OF THE 10 PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION, ASSOCIATION, OR JURIDICAL ENTITY 11 THAT OWNS THE PROPERTY SUBJECT OF THE LEASE. THE AFFIDAVIT 12 SHALL CATEGORICALLY STATE THE FOLLOWING: (A) THE DATE WHEN 13 THE INSPECTION OF THE PROPERTY WAS MADE; (B) THE DETAILS OF 14 THE THINGS SEEN AND OBSERVED DURING THE INSPECTION; AND (C) 15 THE FACT THAT THE LEASED PREMISES ARE NOT BEING USED FOR ANY UNLAWFUL PURPOSE, IF SUCH IS THE CASE. IT SHALL BE SUBMITTED 16 TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD CREATED PURSUANT TO THE 17 **PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH 1, SECTION 52 OF THIS ACT WITHIN FIVE (5)** 18 19 WORKING DAYS FROM THE EXECUTION OF SAID AFFIDAVIT. IN 20 ADDITION, A COPY OF THE LEASE CONTRACT AND THE SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY OF THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, IF ANY, SHALL 21 ALSO BE FILED WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD AND THE CITY OR 22 MUNICIPAL ASSESSOR WITHIN FIVE (5) DAYS FROM EXECUTION OF SAID 23 24 CONTRACT.

THE FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE FOREGOING MANDATORY REPORTORIAL REQUIREMENTS SHALL, UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, BE PRESUMED THAT NO SUCH VISITATION WAS CONDUCTED ON THE LEASED PROPERTY FOR THE DURATION OF THE COVERED PERIOD."

SEC. 7. Section 11 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 11. Possession of Dangerous Drugs. – The penalty of life imprisonment **[to death]** and a fine ranging from Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) to Ten million pesos (P10,000,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person, who, unless authorized by law, shall possess any dangerous drug in the following quantities, regardless of the degree of purity thereof:

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"(1) 10 grams or more of opium;

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"Otherwise, if the quantity involved is less than the foregoing quantities, the penalties shall be graduated as follows:

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"(4) IMPRISONMENT OF SIX (6) YEARS AND ONE (1) DAY TO 6 7 TWELVE (12) YEARS AND A FINE RANGING FROM FIFTY THOUSAND PESOS (P50,000.00) TO TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P200,000.00), IF 8 9 THE QUANTITIES OF DANGEROUS DRUGS ARE LESS THAN TWO (2) GRAMS OF OPIUM, MORPHINE, HEROIN, COCAINE OR COCAINE 10 HYDROCHLORIDE, MARIJUANA RESIN OR MARIJUANA RESIN OIL, 11 METHAMPHETAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE OR "SHABU" OR OTHER 12 DANGEROUS DRUGS, INCLUDING MDMA OR "ECSTASY," PMA, TMA, LSD, 13 GHB, AND THOSE SIMILARLY DESIGNED OR NEWLY INTRODUCED 14 THEIR DERIVATIVES. WITHOUT HAVING 15 DRUGS AND ANY 16 THERAPEUTIC REQUIREMENT, OR LESS THAN FIFTY (50) GRAMS OF 17 MARIJUANA.

18 "FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING ARE
19 PRESUMED:

20(A) DANGEROUS DRUGS OR SIMILAR SUBSTANCES FOUND TO21BE CONCEALED IN ANY PROPERTY SHALL BE PRESUMED, UNTIL22THE CONTRARY IS PROVEN, THAT THE SAID DRUGS OR SIMILAR23SUBSTANCES ARE IN THE POSSESSION OF AND/OR CONCEALED24WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE PERSON WHO HAS OR APPEARS25TO HAVE THE EXCLUSIVE CONTROL OR MANAGEMENT26THEREOF;

DANGEROUS DRUGS FOUND CONCEALED IN ANY 27 **(B)** COMPARTMENT THAT IS SPECIALLY CONSTRUCTED FOR THE 28 PURPOSE ON ANY PREMISE, VEHICLE, VESSEL OR ANY KIND OF 29 TRANSPORTATION SHALL, UNTIL THE CONTRARY IS PROVEN, BE 30 PRESUMED TO HAVE BEEN POSSESSED AND/OR CONCEALED 31 WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE OCCUPANT, ADMINISTRATOR, 32 **OWNER OR PERSON IN-CHARGE OF THE PROPERTY;** 33

34 (C) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 5 OF THIS ACT,
35 ANY PERSON FOUND IN POSSESSION OF ANY DANGEROUS DRUG
36 IN THE FOLLOWING QUANTITY OR WEIGHT, REGARDLESS OF
37 PURITY, IS PRESUMED TO HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN SELLING,
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DISTRIBUTION AND/OR TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS DRUGS:

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(1) 200 GRAMS OR MORE OF SHABU, COCAINE, COCAINE HYDROCHLORIDE, OPIUM, HEROINE, MORPHINE, MARIJUANA RESIN OR MARIJUANA RESIN OIL, OR OTHER DANGEROUS DRUGS SUCH AS MDMA OR "ECSTASY," PMA, TMA, LSD, GHB, AND THOSE SIMILARLY DESIGNED OR NEWLY INTRODUCED DRUGS AND THEIR DERIVATIVES; AND

(2) 500 GRAMS OR MORE OF MARIJUANA."

10 SEC. 8. A new section denominated as Section 11-A is hereby inserted after Section 11 of the 11 same Act, to read as follows:

"SEC. 11-A. POSSESSION OF CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND 12 ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS. - THE PENALTY OF IMPRISONMENT RANGING 13 FROM TWELVE (12) YEARS AND ONE (1) DAY TO TWENTY (20) YEARS AND 14 A FINE RANGING FROM ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P 100,000.00) 15 TO FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P500,000.00) SHALL BE IMPOSED 16 UPON ANY PERSON, WHO, UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY LAW, SHALL 17 POSSESS OR HAVE UNDER HIS/HER CONTROL CONTROLLED 18 PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS, KNOWING, OR UNDER 19 20 CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE ONE REASONABLY KNOWS THAT THESE MAY BE USED FOR ADMINISTRATION, MANUFACTURE, SALE, TRADING, 21 TRANSPORTATION, DISTRIBUTION, EXPORTATION AND DIVERSION. 22

23 "THE MAXIMUM PENALTY PROVIDED FOR UNDER THIS SECTION
24 SHALL BE IMPOSED UPON ANY PERSON WHO ORGANIZES, MANAGES OR
25 ACTS AS FINANCIER OF THE ILLEGAL ACTIVITY PROVIDED IN THIS
26 SECTION."

SEC. 9. Section 12 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 "SEC. 12. Possession of Equipment, Instrument, Apparatus and Other
29 Paraphernalia for Dangerous Drugs. - x x x

"The possession of such equipment, instrument, apparatus and other paraphernalia 30 31 fit or intended for any of the purposes enumerated in the preceding paragraph shall 32 be prima facie evidence that the possessor has smoked, consumed, administered to himself/herself, injected, ingested or used a dangerous drug and shall be presumed to have 33 violated Section 15 of this Act, UNLESS HE/SHE VOLUNTARILY SUBMITS TO A 34 35 DRUG TEST TO BE CONDUCTED BY A HOSPITAL, DOCTOR OR MEDICAL PRACTITIONER, UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF, OR ACCREDITED BY, THE 36 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THIS PURPOSE, AND IN THE PRESENCE 37 OF, AND WITNESSED BY, A REPRESENTATIVE EACH FROM THE MEDIA 38

1AND THE NEAREST REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE CITY OR PROVINCE2OF THE PLACE OF INCIDENT, WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR (24) HOURS FROM3APPREHENSION, AND THE RESULT THEREOF IS NEGATIVE. IF THE4RESULT OF HIS/HER VOLUNTARY DRUG TEST IS POSITIVE, AFTER5CONFIRMATORY TEST, THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 15 OF THIS ACT6SHALL APPLY."

SEC. 10. A new section denominated as Section 12-A is hereby inserted after Section 12 of
the same Act, to read as follows:

9 "SEC. 12-A. POSSESSION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT, FOR THE 10 ILLICIT MANUFACTURE OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS. - THE PENALTY OF 11 IMPRISONMENT RANGING FROM TWELVE (12) YEARS AND ONE (1) DAY 12 13 TO TWENTY (20) YEARS AND A FINE RANGING FROM ONE HUNDRED 14 THOUSAND PESOS (P100,000.00) TO FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P500,000.00), SHALL BE IMPOSED UPON ANY PERSON WHO POSSESSES, 15 16 OR HAS UNDER HIS/HER CONTROL, ANY LABORATORY EQUIPMENT, 17 INCLUDING REACTION VESSEL, ENCAPSULATING MACHINES, 18 TABLETING MACHINES, ROTARY EVAPORATORS, LABORATORY 19 EQUIPMENT WITH A CAPACITY FOR LARGE VOLUME PRODUCTION 20 SUCH AS ROUND BOTTOM FLASKS OF TWENTY-FIVE (25) LITRES OR 21 ABOVE AND RELATED CONDENSERS, SEPARATING FUNNELS AND 22 HEATING APPARATUS, KNOWING, OR UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE 23 ONE REASONABLY KNOWS THAT THESE MAY BE USED FOR ILLEGAL 24 MANUFACTURE OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED 25 PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS IN VIOLATION OF THIS ACT. 26 THE DANGEROUS DRUGS BOARD SHALL, BY REGULATION, LIST SUCH 27 INDISPENSABLE ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT PECULIAR TO SUCH ILLEGAL 28 MANUFACTURE."

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SEC. 11. Section 13 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 "SEC. 13. Possession of Dangerous Drugs During Parties, Social 31 Gatherings or Meetings. - Any person found possessing any dangerous drug during a 32 party, or at a social gathering or meeting, or in the proximate company of at least two (2) 33 persons, shall suffer the [maximum penalties provided for in Section 11 of this Act] 34 PENALTY OF LIFE IMPRISONMENT AND A FINE OF FIVE HUNDRED 35 THOUSAND PESOS (P500,000.00) TO TEN MILLION PESOS (P10,000,000.00), 36 regardless of the quantity and purity of such dangerous drugs." 37 SEC. 12. Section 15 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 15. Use of Dangerous Drugs AND CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND 1 2 ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS. - A person apprehended or arrested, who is found to be 3 positive for use of any dangerous drug OR CONTROLLED PRECURSOR AND 4 ESSENTIAL CHEMICAL AND A DRUG DEPENDENT, after a confirmatory test[,] 5 AND A DEPENDENCY EXAMINATION, shall be imposed a penalty of a minimum of six (6) months TREATMENT AND AFTER CARE rehabilitation in a government 6 7 center for the first offense, subject to the provisions of Article VIII of this Act. IF FOUND TO BE NOT A DRUG DEPENDENT, HE/SHE SHALL SUFFER THE 8 9 PENALTY OF IMPRISONMENT RANGING FROM SIX (6) MONTHS AND ONE 10 (1) DAY TO SIX (6) YEARS AND A FINE RANGING FROM TEN THOUSAND 11 PESOS (P10,000.00) TO FIFTY THOUSAND PESOS (P50,000.00). If apprehended using any dangerous drug OR CONTROLLED PRECURSOR AND ESSENTIAL 12 13 CHEMICAL for the second time, he/she shall suffer the penalty of imprisonment ranging from six (6) years and one (1) day to twelve (12) years and a fine ranging from Fifty 14 15 thousand pesos (P50,000.00) to Two hundred thousand pesos (P200,000.00): Provided, 16 That this Section shall not be applicable where the person tested is also found to have in his/her possession such quantity of any dangerous drugs provided for under Section 11 17 AND OF ANY CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS 18 UNDER SECTION 11-A of this Act, in which case the provisions stated therein shall 19 20 apply.

"ANY PERSON APPREHENDED UNDER THIS SECTION IS PRESUMED 21 TO HAVE USED A DANGEROUS DRUG IF HE/SHE HAS SOME PHYSICAL 22 MANIFESTATION OF BEING A DANGEROUS DRUG USER AND HE/SHE 23 REFUSES TO SUBMIT TO A DRUG TEST WITHIN A PERIOD OF TWENTY-24 FOUR (24) HOURS FROM APPREHENSION. THE ARRESTING OFFICER 25 SHALL INFORM THE SUSPECT ORALLY AND IN WRITING ABOUT THE 26 PRESUMPTION IF HE/SHE DOES NOT PROMPTLY AND VOLUNTARILY 27 SUBMIT TO A DRUG TEST. THIS PRESUMPTION, HOWEVER, SHALL BE 28 29 OVERTURNED BY A NEGATIVE RESULT OF THE TEST TO BE CONDUCTED BY ANY HOSPITAL, DOCTOR OR MEDICAL PRACTITIONER UNDER THE 30 SUPERVISION OF, OR ACCREDITED BY, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH 31 FOR THIS PURPOSE, IN THE PRESENCE OF SAID PERSON'S 32 33 REPRESENTATIVE AND HIS/HER COUNSEL OF CHOICE OR ANY LAWYER 34 AVAILABLE IF HE HAS NO COUNSEL OF CHOICE. THE TEST SHALL LIKEWISE BE WITNESSED BY AT LEAST ONE REPRESENTATIVE EACH 35 36 FROM LOCAL OR NATIONAL MEDIA ORGANIZATION AND FROM THE NEAREST REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE CITY OR PROVINCE OF THE 37 38 PLACE OF APPREHENSION.

"POSSESSION OF ANY INSTRUMENT, APPARATUS OR PARAPHERNALIA FIT OR INTENDED FOR ANY OF THE PURPOSES ENUMERATED IN SECTION 12 OF THIS ACT BY ANY PERSON SUSPECTED OR APPREHENDED FOR USING DANGEROUS DRUGS SHALL BE A *PRIMA FACIE* EVIDENCE THAT THE POSSESSOR HAS SMOKED, CONSUMED, ADMINISTERED TO HIMSELF/HERSELF, INJECTED, INGESTED OR USED A DANGEROUS DRUG."

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SEC. 13. Section 16 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 "SEC. 16. Cultivation or Culture of Plants Classified as Dangerous Drugs 10 or are Sources Thereof. - The penalty of life imprisonment [to death] and a fine ranging from Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) to Ten million pesos (P10,000,000.00) 11 12 shall be imposed upon any person, who shall plant, cultivate or culture marijuana, opium 13 poppy or any other plant regardless of quantity, which is or may hereafter be classified as a dangerous drug or as a source from which any dangerous drug may be manufactured or 14 15 derived: Provided, That in the case of medical laboratories and medical research centers 16 which cultivate or culture marijuana, opium poppy and other plants, or materials of such 17 dangerous drugs for medical experiments and research purposes, or for the creation of new types of medicine, the Board shall prescribe the necessary implementing guidelines for the 18 19 proper cultivation, culture, handling, experimentation and disposal of such plants and materials." 20

"The land or portions thereof and/or greenhouses on which any of said plants is 21 22 cultivated or cultured shall be confiscated and escheated in favor of the State, unless the 23 owner thereof can prove lack of knowledge of such cultivation or culture despite the exercise of due diligence on his/her part. If the land involved is part of the public domain, 24 the maximum penalty provided for under this Section shall be imposed upon the offender. 25 FOR ESCHEAT PURPOSES UNDER THIS ACT, THE SUPREME COURT 26 SHALL PROMULGATE THE RULES OF PROCEDURE GOVERNING THE 27 28 SAME.

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30 31 "The maximum penalty provided for under this Section shall be imposed upon any person, who organizes, manages or acts as a "financier" of any of the illegal activities prescribed in this Section.

32 "A PERSON IS PRESUMED A FINANCIER OF THE VIOLATOR OF
33 THIS SECTION IF HE/SHE CAUSES THE PAYMENT, RAISES, PROVIDES OR
34 SUPPLIES THE MONEY FOR OR UNDERWRITES THE PLANTING,
35 MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF ANY PLANTATION, FARM OR PLACE
36 OF CULTIVATION OR CULTURE OF ANY PLANT CLASSIFIED AS
37 DANGEROUS DRUGS OR SOURCE THEREOF. ANY EVIDENCE SHOWING
38 THE DELIVERY OR TRANSFER OF MONEY, OR DRAWING OR ISSUANCE

OF A CHECK, MONETARY INSTRUMENT OR INVESTMENT TO THE ACCOUNT, CONTROL OR CUSTODY OF A PERSON OR ENTITY KNOWN TO BE, CONNECTED WITH OR WORKING FOR, THE VIOLATOR OF THIS SECTION IS, UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, A *PRIMA FACIE* PROOF THAT THE SENDER, TRANSFEROR OR ISSUER IS FINANCING THE VIOLATOR'S ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES.

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"The penalty of twelve (12) years and one (1) day to twenty (20) years of imprisonment and a fine ranging from One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) to Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person, who acts as a "protector/coddler" of any violator of the provisions under this Section.

11 "A PERSON IS PRESUMED A CODDLER OR PROTECTOR IF HE/SHE 12 KNOWS THE CULTIVATOR, PRODUCER OR VIOLATOR OF THIS SECTION 13 AND HE/SHE USES HIS/HER INFLUENCE, POWER OR POSITION IN 14 PREVENTING THE COLLECTION OF EVIDENCE WITHOUT ANY 15 JUSTIFIABLE REASON OR GROUNDS, SHIELDING, HARBORING, 16 SCREENING OR FACILITATING THE ESCAPE OF SAID VIOLATOR. A 17 PERSON IS LIKEWISE PRESUMED A PROTECTOR OR CODDLER IF HE/SHE 18 HAS KNOWLEDGE OF OR HAS REASONABLE GROUND TO BELIEVE THAT 19 ONE IS A CULTIVATOR, PLANTER, PRODUCER OF PLANTS CLASSIFIED 20 AS DANGEROUS DRUGS OR SOURCE THEREOF, AND HE/SHE USES 21 HIS/HER INFLUENCE, POWER OR POSITION IN PREVENTING THE 22 ARREST, PROSECUTION OR CONVICTION OF SUCH CULTIVATOR, 23 PLANTER OR PRODUCER.

24 "ANY ACT OF THE PROTECTOR OR CODDLER OF SHIELDING, 25 HARBORING, SCREENING OR FACILITATING THE ESCAPE OF, OR IN 26 PREVENTING THE ARREST, PROSECUTION OR CONVICTION OF THE 27 VIOLATOR OF THIS SECTION IS, UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, PRIMA 28 FACIE PROOF THAT THE PROTECTOR OR CODDLER HAS KNOWLEDGE 29 OF, OR CONSENTED TO, THE CULTIVATION OR PRODUCTION OF PLANTS 30 CLASSIFIED AS DANGEROUS DRUGS OR SOURCE THEREOF, AND HE/SHE 31 IS PRESUMED FURTHER TO HAVE USED HIS/HER INFLUENCE, POWER OR 32 POSITION IN DOING THE SAME. EXCEPT WHEN IT IS DONE BY ANY 33 MEMBER OF THE VIOLATOR'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY OR HIS/HER LEGAL 34 COUNSEL, ANY PERSON WHO INTERCEDES AND/OR REPRESENTS THE 35 SAID VIOLATOR IS, UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE, PRESUMED TO HAVE 36 SHIELDED, HARBORED, SCREENED OR FACILITATED THE ESCAPE OF OR 37 PREVENTED THE ARREST, PROSECUTION OR CONVICTION OF THE 38 VIOLATOR."

SEC. 14. Section 20 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 20. Confiscation and Forfeiture of the Proceeds or Instruments of the Unlawful Act, Including the Properties or Proceeds Derived from the Illegal Trafficking of Dangerous Drugs and/or Precursors and Essential Chemicals. – x x x

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"During the pendency of the case in the Regional Trial Court, no property, or income derived therefrom, which may be confiscated and forfeited, shall be disposed, alienated or transferred and the same shall be in *custodia legis* and no bond shall be admitted for the release of the same. THE PROHIBITION PROVIDED HEREIN SHALL NOT APPLY TO ANY FIREARM, EXPLOSIVE OR WEAPON WHICH SHALL BE CONFISCATED, FORFEITED AND DISPOSED OF IMMEDIATELY BY THE COURT IN FAVOR OF THE GOVERNMENT, FOR THE USE OF THE PHILIPPINE DRUG ENFORCEMENT AGENCY (PDEA) OR OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES INVOLVED IN FIGHTING ILLEGAL DRUG TRAFFICKING.

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SEC. 15. Section 21 of the same Act, are hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 21. Custody and Disposition of Confiscated, Seized, and/or Surrendered Dangerous Drugs, Plant Sources of Dangerous Drugs, Controlled Precursors and Essential Chemicals, Instruments/Paraphernalia and/or Laboratory Equipment. – x x x

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"(2)Within twenty-four (24) hours upon confiscation/seizure of dangerous drugs, plant sources of dangerous drugs, controlled precursors and essential chemicals, as well as instruments/paraphernalia and/or laboratory equipment, the same shall be submitted to the PDEA Forensic laboratory for a qualitative and quantitative examination[:].

"WHERE A SEIZURE OF A LABORATORY IS MADE, THE PDEA SHALL, WITHIN REASONABLE TIME, DO THE PROPER DISPOSAL OF CHEMICALS WHICH ARE NOT LISTED AS CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS, REMAINING UNIDENTIFIED LIQUID OR SOLID CHEMICALS IN UNLABELED CONTAINERS AND/OR IN OPENED CONTAINERS THAT MAY NOT BE RESEALED, AND WASTES, WHICH ARE NOT NEEDED AS EVIDENCE IN THE INVESTIGATION OR PROSECUTION OF THE CASE: *PROVIDED*, THAT SUCH ITEMS OF CHEMICALS AND WASTES SHALL BE SEPARATELY PHOTOGRAPHED AND INVENTORIED.

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"(4) After the filing of the criminal case, the Court shall, within seventy-two (72) hours, conduct an ocular inspection of the confiscated, seized and/or surrendered

dangerous drugs, plant sources of dangerous drugs, and controlled precursors and 1 essential chemicals, including the instruments/paraphernalia and/or laboratory equipment, 2 and through the PDEA shall within twenty-four (24) hours thereafter proceed with the 3 destruction or burning of the same, in the presence of the accused or the person/s from 4 whom such items were confiscated and/or seized, or his representative or counsel, a 5 representative from the media and the DOJ, civil society groups and any elected public 6 PROPERTY FROM WHERE THE CLANDESTINELY 7 official. THE MANUFACTURED DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND 8 ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS WERE SEIZED SHALL BE CLEANED UP UNDER 9 THE SUPERVISION OF THE BOARD, IN COOPERATION WITH THE 10 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND 11 NATURAL RESOURCES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT. The Board shall 12 draw up guidelines on the manner of proper disposition and destruction of such item/s, 13 INCLUDING THE CLEAN UP OF THE CLANDESTINE LABORATORY, which 14 shall be borne by the offender. IN THE CASE OF THE CLEAN UP OF THE 15 CLANDESTINE LABORATORY, THE LESSOR OF THE PROPERTY OR 16 OWNER OF RECORD SHALL ALSO BEAR THE COST, UNLESS THE LESSOR 17 OF THE PROPERTY OR OWNER OF RECORD EACH PROVES LACK OF 18 KNOWLEDGE OF SUCH CLANDESTINE MANUFACTURE: [Provided, That 19 those item/s of lawful commerce, as determined by the Board, shall be donated, used or 20 recycled for legitimate purposes:] Provided, [further,] That a representative sample, duly 21 weighed and recorded is retained; 22

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SEC. 16. Section 22 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

Grant of Compensation, Reward and Award. - The Board shall "SEC. 22. 25 recommend to the concerned government agency the grant of compensation, reward and 26 award to any person providing information and to law enforcers participating in the 27 operation, which results in the successful confiscation, seizure or surrender of dangerous 28 drugs, plant sources of dangerous drugs, and controlled precursors and essential chemicals 29 AND LABORATORY EQUIPMENT. THE COMPUTATION OF MONETARY 30 REWARD SHALL BE BASED ON ONE HUNDRED PERCENT (100%) PURITY 31 OF THE DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND 32 ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS BASED ON QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE 33 EXAMINATIONS CONDUCTED BY THE FORENSIC LABORATORY 34 EXAMINER WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR (24) HOURS AFTER RECEIPT OF 35 SEIZED ITEMS." 36

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SEC. 17. Section 26 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

1 "SEC. 26. Attempt or Conspiracy. - Any attempt or conspiracy to commit 2 the following unlawful acts shall be penalized by the same penalty prescribed for the 3 commission of the same as provided under this Act: 4 "(a) x x х 5 x x х "(e) 6 х х х 7 "(F) CHEMICAL DIVERSION." 8 SEC. 18. Section 19 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows: 9 "SEC. 19. Unlawful Prescription of Dangerous Drugs. - The penalty of life 10 imprisonment [to death] and a fine ranging from Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) 11 to Ten million pesos (P10,000,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person, who, unless authorized 12 by law, shall make or issue a prescription or any other writing purporting to be a prescription 13 for any dangerous drug." 14 15 SEC. 19. Section 27 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows: "SEC. 27. Criminal Liability of a Public Officer or Employee for 16 17 Misappropriation, Misapplication or Failure to Account for the Confiscated, Seized 18 and/or Surrendered Dangerous Drugs, Plant Sources of Dangerous Drugs, Controlled 19 Precursors and Essential Chemicals, Instruments/Paraphernalia and/or Laboratory 20 Equipment Including the Proceeds or Properties Obtained from the Unlawful Act 21 Committed. – The penalty of life imprisonment [to death] and a fine ranging from Five 22 hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) to Ten million pesos (P10,000,000.00), in addition 23 to absolute perpetual disqualification from any public office, shall be imposed upon any public officer or employee who misappropriates, misapplies or fails to account for 24 25 confiscated, seized or surrendered dangerous drugs, plant sources of dangerous drugs, 26 controlled precursors and essential chemicals, instruments/paraphernalia and/or laboratory equipment including the proceeds or properties obtained from the unlawful 27 28 acts as provided for in this Act." x." 29 "x x 30 SEC. 20. Section 29 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows: "SEC. 29. Criminal Liability for Planting of Evidence. - Any person who is 31 32 found guilty of "planting" any dangerous drug and/or controlled precursor and essential chemical, regardless of quantity and purity, shall suffer the penalty of [death] LIFE 33 34 IMPRISONMENT. "A DEFENSE OF 'PLANTING EVIDENCE' INTERPOSED AND 35 PLEADED BY ANY PERSON CHARGED FOR VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE 36 UNLAWFUL ACTS PRESCRIBED IN THIS ACT IS PRESUMED TO BE A 37

1COMPLAINTAGAINSTTHELAWENFORCER/SORPRIVATE2INDIVIDUAL/S INVOLVED IN THE ARREST, SEARCH AND SEIZURE.

3 "AS SOON AS THE ALLEGED PLANTING OF EVIDENCE HAS BEEN 4 **INTERPOSED AND/OR PLEADED BEFORE OR DURING THE PROSECUTION** OF THE CASE AGAINST THE ACCUSED, THE COURT WHERE THE CASE IS 5 6 PENDING SHALL CAUSE THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR ASSIGNED IN SAID 7 COURT TO CONDUCT PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION FOR THE 8 VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION AND FILE THE CORRESPONDING 9 INFORMATION. IN THE MEANTIME, THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CASE 10 SHALL BE SUSPENDED UNTIL THE PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION IS 11 CONCLUDED AND RESOLVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURES 12 ENUNCIATED IN SECTION 90 OF THIS ACT. IF THE INFORMATION IS 13 FILED FOR THE CRIME OF "PLANTING OF EVIDENCE," THE LAW 14 ENFORCER OR ANY PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL INVOLVED SHALL BE 15 ARRAIGNED AND THE CASE SHALL BE TRIED JOINTLY WITH THAT OF 16 THE COMPLAINING ACCUSED.

"ANY PERSON WHO IS CHARGED AND PROSECUTED FOR 17 ALLEGEDLY PUTTING OR PLACING ANY DANGEROUS DRUG OR SIMILAR 18 19 SUBSTANCE AND/OR PUTTING OR PLACING ANY DRUG EQUIPMENT, 20 INSTRUMENT OR PARAPHERNALIA ON THE PERSON OR IMMEDIATE 21 PREMISES OF ANY ACCUSED/SUSPECT, SHALL BE PRESUMED TO HAVE 22 PUT, PLACED, OR PLANTED THE SAID EVIDENCE IF THE RULES OF 23 PROCEDURE AND/OR ENGAGEMENT FOR ARREST, SEARCH AND 24 SEIZURE HAVE NOT BEEN COMPLIED WITH."

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SEC. 21. Section 31 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 31. Additional Penalty if Offender is an Alien. - In addition to the
penalties prescribed in the unlawful act committed, any alien who violates such
provisions of this Act shall, after service of sentence, be deported immediately
without further proceedings[, unless the penalty is death]."

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SEC. 22. Section 33 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

31 "SEC. 33. Immunity from Prosecution and Punishment. - Notwithstanding 32 the provisions of Section 17, Rule 119 of the Revised Rules on Criminal Procedure and 33 the provisions of Republic Act No. 6981 or the Witness Protection Security and Benefit 34 Act of 1991, any person who has violated Sections 7, [11] 11(3), 11(4), 11-A, 12, 12-A, 14 35 and [19] 15, Article II of this Act, who voluntarily gives information about any violation 36 of Sections 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 13 and 16, Article II of this Act as well as any violation of the 37 offenses mentioned if committed by a drug syndicate, or any information leading to the 38 whereabouts, identities and arrest of all or any of the members thereof; and who willingly

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testifies against such persons as described above, shall be exempted from prosecution or punishment for the offense with reference to which his/her information of testimony were given, and may plead or prove the giving of such information and testimony in bar of such prosecution: Provided, That the following conditions concur:

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6 SEC. 23. A new section denominated as Section 33-A is hereby inserted after Section 33 of the 7 same Act, to read as follows:

"SEC. 33-A. IMMUNITY FROM PROSECUTION UNDER OTHER 8 CIRCUMSTANCES, MINIMUM PENALTY AND COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE. 9 - ANY PERSON CHARGED FOR ANY OFFENSE UNDER THIS ACT AND WHO 10 IS NOT QUALIFIED FOR IMMUNITY UNDER THE PRECEDING SECTION 33 11 MAY APPLY FOR IMMUNITY FROM PROSECUTION UNDER THIS SECTION 12 IF HE/SHE IS WILLING TO REVEAL THE IDENTITY AND PARTICIPATION 13 OF PERSONS INVOLVED FOR VIOLATION OF SECTIONS 4, 5, 6, 8, 10 AND 16 14 OF ARTICLE II OF THIS ACT, INCLUDING THE VIOLATOR'S FINANCIERS, 15 PROTECTORS OR CODDLERS. 16

17"THE GRANT OF THE APPLICATION FOR IMMUNITY IS18CONDITIONED UPON THE ARREST AND PROSECUTION OF ANYONE,19SOME OR ALL OF THE PERSONS HE/SHE NAMED OR IDENTIFIED, THE20WILLINGNESS FROM HIS/HER PART TO TESTIFY AGAINST THE PERSON/S21HE/SHE NAMED OR IDENTIFIED, HE/SHE DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE THE22MOST GUILTY FOR THE OFFENSE TO WHICH HIS/HER INFORMATION OR23TESTIMONY IS GIVEN, AND THE CONCURRENCE OF THE FOLLOWING:

24 (A) THE INFORMATION AND TESTIMONY ARE NECESSARY FOR
 25 THE CONVICTION OF THE PERSONS HE/SHE NAMED OR IDENTIFIED;

26 (B) SUCH INFORMATION AND TESTIMONY ARE NOT YET IN
 27 THE POSSESSION OF THE STATE;

28 (C) SUCH INFORMATION AND TESTIMONY CAN BE
29 CORROBORATED ON ITS MATERIAL POINTS;

30(D) THE INFORMANT OR WITNESS HAS NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY31CONVICTED OF A CRIME INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE, EXCEPT32WHEN THERE IS NO OTHER DIRECT EVIDENCE AVAILABLE FOR THE33STATE OTHER THAN THE INFORMATION AND TESTIMONY OF SAID34INFORMANT OR WITNESS; AND

35 (E) THE INFORMANT OR WITNESS SHALL, WITHOUT DELAY,
36 STRICTLY AND FAITHFULLY COMPLY WITH ANY CONDITION OR
37 UNDERTAKING LAWFULLY IMPOSED BY THE STATE AS FURTHER

CONSIDERATION FOR THE GRANT OF IMMUNITY FROM PROSECUTION
 AND PUNISHMENT.

"IF HE/SHE SATISFIES THE ABOVE CONDITIONS FOR THE GRANT OF IMMUNITY, THE APPLICANT MAY BE QUALIFIED FOR AND BE PLACED UNDER THE WITNESS PROTECTION PROGRAM.

6 "IF NONE OF THE PERSON/S HE/SHE NAMED OR IDENTIFIED HAS 7 BEEN ARRESTED AND CHARGED, THE PROSECUTION OF THE CASE 8 SHALL PROCEED, BUT THE COURT SHALL SUSPEND PROMULGATION OF 9 JUDGMENT FOR A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING SIX (6) MONTHS FROM THE 10 DATE HIS/HER CASE IS SUBMITTED FOR DECISION. THE COURT, 11 HOWEVER, IS BOUND TO RENDER JUDGMENT IF THE ACCUSED 12 REQUESTS FOR EARLY DECISION.

13 "THE COURT SHALL RENDER A DECISION IF THE PERSON HE/SHE NAMED OR IDENTIFIED REMAINS AT-LARGE AFTER THE LAPSE OF THE 14 15 ORIGINAL OR EXTENDED PERIOD. IF HE/SHE IS FOUND GUILTY, THE COURT SHALL IMPOSE ONLY THE MINIMUM PENALTY FOR THE 16 17 OFFENSE CHARGED OR PROVEN. HOWEVER, HE/SHE MAY BE CALLED 18 LATER AS WITNESS FOR THE PROSECUTION, WITH HIS/HER EXPRESS 19 CONSENT, IN THE EVENT THAT ONE. SOME OR ALL THE PERSONS 20 HE/SHE NAMED OR IDENTIFIED HAS OR HAVE BEEN APPREHENDED AND 21 CHARGED IN COURT FOR VIOLATION OF SECTIONS 4, 5, 6, 8, 10 AND 16 OF 22 THIS ACT. IF HE/SHE HAS TESTIFIED FOR THE PROSECUTION, HIS/HER 23 SENTENCE MAY BE REDUCED, OR HE/SHE MAY BE CONSIDERED TO 24 HAVE FULLY SERVED HIS/HER SENTENCE AND MAY BE RELEASED 25 IMMEDIATELY, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT."

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SEC. 24. Section 36 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

27 "SEC. 36. Authorized Drug Testing. - Authorized drug testing shall be done by 28 any government forensic laboratories or by any of the drug testing laboratories accredited 29 and monitored by the DOH to safeguard the quality of test results. The DOH shall take 30 steps in setting the price of the drug test with DOH accredited drug testing centers to 31 further reduce the cost of such drug test. The drug testing shall employ, among others, 32 [two (2)] testing methods THAT INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING DRUGS: 33 CANNABIS. COCAINE, **OPIATES.** AMPHETAMINES. 34 METHAMPHENTAMINE, PHENCYCLIDINE AND OTHER DRUGS AS 35 DETERMINED BY THE BOARD TO BE PREVALENT AT THE TIME, the 36 screening test which will determine the positive result as well as the type of the drug used 37 and confirmatory test which will confirm a positive screening test. Drug test certificates 38 issued by accredited drug testing centers shall be valid for a [one-year] THREE-MONTH

period from the date of issue which may be used for other purposes. The following shall be subjected to undergo drug testing:

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"(H) PROFESSIONAL AND NON-PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES. – ALL ATHLETES, PROFFESSIONAL AND NON-PROFESSIONAL, IN ANY KIND OF SPORT, SHALL UNDERGO A MANDATORY DRUG TEST TWICE A YEAR. ANY ATHLETE FOUND POSITIVE FOR USE OF DANGEROUS DRUGS SHALL BE SUSPENDED SUBJECT TO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BY APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.

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Section 51 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

14 "SEC. 51. Local Government Units' PROGRAMS AND Assistance. - Local 15 government units shall UNDERTAKE LOCAL DRUG AND CHEMICAL PREVENTION AND CONTROL PROGRAMS IN COOPERATION AND 16 COORDINATION WITH THE BOARD AND ITS MEMBER DEPARTMENTS 17 18 AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS. THEY SHALL appropriate a 19 substantial portion of their respective annual budgets to assist in or enhance the 20 enforcement of this Act giving priority to preventive or educational programs and the 21 rehabilitation or treatment of drug AND/OR CHEMICAL dependents."

SEC. 26. The Title of Article VIII and Sections 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 68,
72, 73, 74, 75 and 76 of the same Article are hereby amended by deleting the words "drug dependent"
wherever they appear and replacing them with the words "DRUG AND/OR CHEMICAL
DEPENDENT."

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SEC. 27. Section 78 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 78. Composition of the Board. – The Board shall be composed of [seventeen (17)] TWENTY (20) members wherein three (3) of [which] WHOM are permanent members, the other [twelve (12)] FIFTEEN (15) members shall be in an *exofficio* capacity and the two (2) shall be regular members.

31 "The three (3) permanent members, who shall possess at least seven-year training
32 and experience in the field of dangerous drugs and any of the following fields: in law,
33 medicine, criminology, psychology or social work, shall be appointed by the President of
34 the Philippines. The President shall designate a Chairman, who shall have the rank of a
35 secretary from among the three (3) permanent members who shall serve for six (6) years.
36 Of the two (2) other members, who shall have the rank of undersecretary, one (1) shall
37 serve for four (4) years and the other for two (2) years. Thereafter, the persons appointed

| 1 | to succeed such members shall hold office for a term of six (6) years and until their |
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| 2 | successors shall have been duly appointed and qualified. |
| 3 | "The other [twelve (12)] FIFTEEN (15) members who shall be ex-officio |
| 4 | members of the Board are the following: |
| 5 | (1) Secretary of the Department of Justice or his/her AUTHORIZED |
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| 7 | (2) Secretary of the Department of Health or his/her AUTHORIZED |
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| 9 | (3) Secretary of the Department of National Defense or his/her |
| 10 | AUTHORIZED representative; |
| 11 | (4) Secretary of the Department of Finance or his/her AUTHORIZED |
| 12 | representative; |
| 13 | (5) Secretary of the Department of Labor and Employment or his/her |
| 14 | AUTHORIZED representative; |
| 15 | (6) Secretary of the Department of the Interior and Local Government or |
| 16 | his/her AUTHORIZED representative; |
| 17 | (7) Secretary of the Department of Social Welfare and Development or |
| 18 | his/her AUTHORIZED representative; |
| 19 | (8) Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs or his/her |
| 20 | AUTHORIZED representative; |
| 21 | (9) Secretary of the Department of Education or his/her AUTHORIZED |
| 22 | representative; |
| 23 | (10) Chairman of the Commission on Higher Education or his/her |
| 24 | representative; |
| 25 | (11) Chairman of the National Youth Commission OR HIS/HER |
| 26 | AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE; [and] |
| 27 | (12) Director General of the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency [.] OR |
| 28 | HIS/HER AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE; |
| 29 | (13) SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION |
| 30 | OR HIS/HER AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE; |
| 31 | (14) SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND |
| 32 | MANAGEMENT OR HIS/HER AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE; AND |
| | (15) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DANGEROUS DRUGS |
| | BOARD. |
| 33 | "[Cabinet secretaries who are] EX-OFFICIO members of the Board, EXCEPT |
| 34 | THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD, may designate their duly |
| 35 | authorized and permanent representatives whose ranks shall in no case be lower than |
| 36 | [undersecretary] ASSISTANT SECRETARY. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF |
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1 THE BOARD SHALL HAVE NO VOTING RIGHTS ON ISSUES BEFORE THE 2 BOARD. 3 "The two (2) regular members shall be as follows: 4 (a) The president of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines OR HIS/HER 5 **AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE; and** 6 (b) The chairman or president of a non-government organization involved in 7 dangerous drug campaign to be appointed by the President of the Philippines. 8 "The Director of the NBI and the Chief of the PNP shall be the [permanent] EX-9 OFFICIO consultants of the Board, and [shall] MAY attend all the meetings of the 10 Board. 11 "THE BOARD MAY ENGAGE THE SERVICES OF CONSULTANTS 12 WHO ARE PRESUMED EXPERTS IN DRUG ABUSE AND CONTROL 13 POLICIES, STRATEGIES AND PROGRAMS, RESEARCH, AND INTERNATIONAL DRUG CONVENTIONS, SUBJECT TO THE PERTINENT 14 BUDGETARY LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS ON COMPENSATION, 15 HONORARIA AND ALLOWANCES. 16 "All members of the Board as well as its [permanent] EX-OFFICIO consultants 17 shall receive per diem for every meeting actually attended subject to the pertinent 18 19 budgetary laws, rules and regulations on compensation, honoraria and allowances: 20 Provided, That where the representative of an ex-officio member or of the [permanent] 21 consultant of the Board attends a meeting in behalf of the latter, such **PERMANENT** 22 representatives shall be entitled to receive the per diem." 23 SEC. 28. Section 79 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows: Meetings of the Board. – The Board shall meet once a [week] 24 "SEC. 79. 25 MONTH or as often as necessary at the [discretion] CALL of the Chairman or [at the call of] any four (4) other members. The presence of [nine (9)] ELEVEN (11) members shall 26 27 constitute a quorum." 28 SEC. 29. Section 80 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows: 29 "SEC. 80. Secretariat of the Board. - x x x 30 "x x x "The existing secretariat of the Board shall be under the administrative control 31 32 and supervision of the Executive Director. It shall be composed of the following 33 [divisions] SERVICES, namely: Policy Studies, Research and Statistics; Preventive 34 Education, Training and Information; Legal Affairs; and the Administrative and Financial 35 Management." SEC. 30. 36 Section 82 of Republic Act No. 9165 is hereby amended to read as follows: "SEC. 82. 37 Creation of the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA). -38 х х х

"The PDEA shall be headed by a Director General with the rank of Undersecretary, who shall be responsible for the general administration and management of the Agency. The Director General of the PDEA shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines and shall perform such other duties that may be assigned to him/her. He/she must possess adequate knowledge, training and experience in the field of dangerous drugs, **CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS CONTROL**, and in any of the following fields: law enforcement, [law, medicine, criminology, psychology or social work] CRIMINAL POLICING, LEGAL AND **PROSECUTION, CRIMINOLOGY, AND INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY ADMINISTRATION. HE/SHE MUST ALSO POSSESS A POSTGRADUATE DEGREE, AND MUST POSSESS CAREER EXECUTIVE SERVICE ELIGIBILITY.**

13 "The Director General of the PDEA shall be assisted in the performance of his/her 14 duties and responsibilities by two (2) deputies director general with the rank of Assistant 15 Secretary; one for Operations and the other one for Administration. The two (2) deputies 16 director general shall likewise be appointed by the President of the Philippines upon 17 recommendation OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE PDEA AND 18 CONCURRENCE of the Board. The two (2) deputies director general shall possess the 19 same qualifications as those of the Director General of the PDEA. The Director General 20 and the two (2) deputies director general shall receive the compensation and salaries as 21 prescribed by law.

22 "HAZARD PAY EQUIVALENT TO TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT (25%) OF
23 MONTHLY SALARY SHALL BE GRANTED TO OFFICIALS, AGENTS,
24 INVESTIGATORS AND OTHER PERSONNEL OF THE PDEA WHOSE
25 GEOGRAPHICAL ASSIGNMENT OR FUNCTIONAL MISSION EXPOSE THEM
26 TO GREATER DANGER OR RISK, SUBJECT TO ACCOUNTING AND
27 AUDITING REQUIREMENTS."

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SEC. 31. Section 84 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 84. Powers and Duties of the PDEA. – The PDEA shall:

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33 "(g) [Recommend to the DOJ the forfeiture of properties and other assets of 34 persons and/or corporations found to be violating the provisions of this Act and in 35 accordance with the pertinent provisions of the Anti-Money-Laundering Act of 2001.] 36 COORDINATE AND SUBMIT CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS WITH 37 APPROPRIATE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING 38 COUNCIL (AMLC) FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A FREEZE ORDER, FOR THE

1INITIATION OF APPROPRIATE SEIZURE OR FORFEITURE PROCEEDING2AND FOR THE INVESTIGATION, INSPECTION OR EXAMINATION OF ANY3FINANCIAL TRANSACTION, INVESTMENT OR ASSET IN ANY BANK OR4FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY OF ANY PERSON SUSPECTED OR5APPREHENDED FOR VIOLATING SECTIONS 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14 AND 166OF THIS ACT.

7 THE CONFIDENTIAL REPORT OR RECOMMENDATION THAT IS BASED ON RELIABLE AND VERIFIED INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION 8 9 SHALL CONTAIN THE NAME OR IDENTITY OF THE SUSPECT AND OTHER 10 RELEVANT INFORMATION. IT SHALL RENDER THE PERSONAL AND 11 **RELATED TRANSACTIONS OF THE SUSPECT SUSPICIOUS TRANSACTIONS** 12 AS DEFINED UNDER SECTION 3(B-1) IN RELATION TO SECTION 4 OF 13 REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 14 "ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING ACT OF 2001." IT SHALL HAVE THE SAME 15 EFFECT IN THE CASE OF A REPORT OR RECOMMENDATION MADE UPON 16 ALL PERSONAL AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS OF A PERSON ARRESTED 17 **OR APPREHENDED.**

"PROPER COORDINATION AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION WITH THE AMLC SHALL BE UNDERTAKEN TO SUBSTANTIATE CHARGES, STRENGTHEN THE CASE, AND/OR SUPPORT THE PROSECUTION AGAINST THE PERSON SUBJECT OF THE REPORT OR RECOMMENDATION;

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24 "(I-1) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4200, 25 ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROHIBIT AND PENALIZE WIRE TAPPING AND 26 OTHER RELATED VIOLATIONS OF THE PRIVACY OF COMMUNICATION, AND 27 FOR OTHER PURPOSES," MONITOR ANY MESSAGE, COMMUNICATION OR 28 CONVERSATION TRANSMITTED OR RECEIVED THROUGH WIRELESS OR 29 DIGITAL TELECOMMUNICATION, ON-LINE, INTERNET, CYBER OR 30 WHATEVER OTHER MEANS OF COMMUNICATION IF IT CONSIDERS 31 THAT SAID MESSAGE, COMMUNICATION OR CONVERSATION IS CONNECTED TO THE COMMISSION OF ANY OF THE UNLAWFUL ACTS OR 32 33 ACTIVITIES PRESCRIBED IN THIS ACT OR TO AN ACT PREPARATORY TO, OR FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMMITTING SAID UNLAWFUL ACTS OR 34 FOR THIS PURPOSE, THE PDEA SHALL ORGANIZE A 35 ACTIVITIES. SPECIAL UNIT OR OFFICE UNDER ITS INTELLIGENCE AND 36 37 **INVESTIGATION SERVICES TO MONITOR, BY THE USE OF ELECTRONIC** 38 DEVICE, ALL ACTIVITIES OF ANY PERSON ENGAGED IN IMPORTATION,

EXPORTATION, MANUFACTURE, PLANTATION, CULTIVATION, SELLING, PUSHING, TRADING, TRANSPORTATION OR DISTRIBUTION OF ILLEGAL DRUGS OR SIMILAR SUBSTANCES, AND THEIR FINANCIERS, PROTECTORS OR CODDLERS.

"SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4200, ANY INFORMATION GATHERED OR OBTAINED IN THE COURSE OF VALID MONITORING MENTIONED IN THE PRECEDING PARAGRAPH, WHETHER BEFORE OR AFTER THE SUBJECT PERSON IS CHARGED FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ACT, MAY BE USED IN EVIDENCE AGAINST HIM.

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"(m) Establish and maintain close coordination, cooperation and linkages with international drug control and administrative agencies and organizations, WITH DRUG SUPPLY REDUCTION AND CHEMICAL DIVERSION CONTROL FUNCTIONS AND PROGRAMS, and implement applicable provisions of international conventions and agreements related to dangerous drugs AND CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS to which the Philippines is a signatory;

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"(o) [Require all government and private hospitals, clinics, doctors, dentists and other practitioners to submit a report to it, in coordination with the Board, about all dangerous drugs and/or controlled precursors and essential chemicals which they have attended to for data and information purposes]. CONDUCT REGULATORY COMPLIANCE INSPECTION AND DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS DIVERSION CONTROL PROGRAM AND INVESTIGATION;

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"(S) DEPUTIZE QUALIFIED PERSONNEL AND/OR UNITS OF OTHER DEPARTMENT, BUREAU, OFFICE, AGENCY, OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO ASSIST IN A MORE RESOLUTE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT."

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SEC. 32. Section 85 of Republic Act No. 9165 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 "SEC. 85. The PDEA Academy. – Upon approval of the Board, the PDEA

Academy shall be established either in Baguio or Tagaytay City and in such other places as may be necessary. The PDEA Academy shall be responsible in the recruitment and training of all PDEA agents and personnel. The Board shall provide for the qualifications of its recruits who must be at least twenty-one (21) years old, of proven integrity and honesty and a Baccalaureate degree holder. UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT A FUNCTIONAL PDEA ACADEMY IS ESTABLISHED, PDEA IS AUTHORIZED
 TO CONDUCT ITS TRAINING IN ANY EXISTING TRAINING ACADEMY OR
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SEC. 33. Section 86 of Republic Act No. 9165 is hereby amended to read as follows:
"SEC. 86. Transfer, Absorption, and Integration of All Operating Units on Illegal Drugs into the PDEA and Transitory Provisions. - x x x

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12 THE HEADS OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE, NATIONAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, BUREAU OF CUSTOMS, ARMED FORCES OF 13 THE PHILIPPINES OR OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND LOCAL 14 GOVERNMENT UNITS PERFORMING LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNCTIONS 15 OR MISSIONS ARE AUTHORIZED TO CONTINUE PLACEMENT OF THEIR 16 PERSONNEL ON DETAIL SERVICE WITH PDEA UPON THE REQUEST OF 17 THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF PDEA FOR A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING 18 FIVE (5) YEARS: PROVIDED, THAT THE DETAIL SERVICE WITH PDEA 19 SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS CAREER SERVICE CONNECTED: PROVIDED, 20 FURTHER, THAT AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DETAIL SERVICE FROM 21 OTHER AGENCIES TO PDEA SHALL CEASE WHEN PDEA IS ABLE TO 22 RECRUIT A MINIMUM OF THREE THOUSAND (3,000) ORGANIC PDEA 23 AGENTS: PROVIDED, FINALLY, THAT THE PERSONNEL ON DETAIL SHALL 24 BE GIVEN THE OPTION TO JOIN THE PDEA, SUBJECT TO PERTINENT 25 LAWS, CIVIL SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS, AND THE 26 **QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE PDEA.** 27

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SEC. 34. Section 87 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

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"SEC. 87. Appropriations. – x x

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All receipts derived from fines, fees and other income authorized and imposed in 31 this At, including ten percent (10%) of all unclaimed and forfeited sweepstakes and lotto 32 prizes but not less than twelve million pesos (P12, 000,000.00) per year from the 33 Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO), are hereby constituted as a special 34 account in the general fund for the implementation of this Act: Provided, That EXCEPT 35 AS OTHERWISE ALLOWED ELSEWHERE IN THIS ACT, no amount shall be 36 disbursed to cover operating expenses of the Board and other concerned agencies: 37 38 PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT PDEA SHALL RETAIN THE TOTAL COLLECTION FOR DRUGS AND CHEMICAL FEES AND CHARGES TO FUND THE COMPLIANCE AND DIVERSION CONTROL PROGRAM, PDEA ACADEMY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, AND FORENSIC LABORATORY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM OTHER THAN WHAT IS PROVIDED FOR IN THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT: *Provided [further] FINALLY*, That at least fifty percent (50%) of all the funds, EXCEPT FEES AND CHARGES COLLECTED BY PDEA, shall be reserved for assistance to government-owned and/or operated rehabilitation centers.

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SEC. 35. Section 92 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 92. Delay and Bungling in the Prosecution of Drug Cases. – Any government officer or employee tasked with the prosecution of drug-related cases under this Act, who, through patent laxity, inexcusable neglect, unreasonable delay or deliberately causes the unsuccessful prosecution and/or dismissal of the said drug cases, shall suffer the penalty of imprisonment ranging from twelve (12) years and one (1) day to twenty (20) years without prejudice to his/her prosecution under the pertinent provisions of the Revised Penal Code.

18 THE ACQUITTAL OR DISMISSAL OF ANY DRUG-RELATED CASE IS 19 PRESUMED BUNGLING IN THE PROSECUTION OF SAID CASE. UNLESS 20 PROVEN OTHERWISE, A DECISION OF THE COURT DISMISSING OR 21 ACQUITTING A CASE PROSECUTED UNDER THIS ACT IS PRESUMED 22 THAT THE CASE HAS BEEN UNSUCCESSFULLY PROSECUTED AND THE 23 GOVERNMENT PROSECUTOR, LAW ENFORCER, OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE 24 INVOLVED IN THE PROSECUTION THEREOF DELIBERATELY CAUSED 25 THE UNSUCCESSFUL PROSECUTION AND/OR DISMISSAL OF THE SAID 26 CASE.

27 "THE TRIAL COURT OR APPELLATE/REVIEWING COURT THAT 28 RENDERS THE JUDGMENT OF ACQUITTAL OR ISSUES THE ORDER OF 29 DISMISSAL SHALL FURNISH A COPY THEREOF TO THE CIVIL SERVICE 30 COMMISSION AND TO THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN, WHICH SHALL 31 PROMPTLY CONDUCT APPROPRIATE ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATION 32 WITHIN A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) DAYS FROM RECEIPT THEREOF. THE 33 INVESTIGATION SHALL, IF WARRANTED, INCLUDE THE IMPOSITION OF APPROPRIATE ADMINISTRATIVE SANCTION AND THE FILING OF 34 35 PROPER CRIMINAL ACTION FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION."

SEC. 36. Section 93 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

37 "SEC. 93. Reclassification, Addition or Removal of Any Drug AND
 38 CHEMICAL from the Lists of Dangerous Drugs OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS

1 AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS. - The Board shall have the power to reclassify, add to 2 or remove from the lists of dangerous drugs AND CONTROLLED PRECURSORS 3 AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS. THE BOARD MAY ONLY REMOVE FROM 4 SUCH LISTS, ANY OF THE DANGEROUS DRUG AND/OR CONTROLLED 5 PRECURSOR AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICAL THAT IT HAD ADDED, BY 6 REGULATION, BUT NOT LISTED IN THE SCHEDULES UNDER 7 INTERNATIONAL CONTROL SET BY THE 1961 SINGLE CONVENTION ON 8 NARCOTIC DRUGS, AS AMENDED BY THE 1972 PROTOCOL, 1971 9 **CONVENTION ON PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES AND 1988 CONVENTION** 10 AGAINST ILLICIT TRAFFIC IN NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES. THE BOARD SHALL ALSO HAVE THE POWER TO EXEMPT 11 12 ANY DANGEROUS DRUG PREPARATION AND ANY DRUG OR CHEMICAL 13 PREPARATION OR MIXTURE OR PRODUCTS CONTAINING CONTROLLED 14 PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS FROM ANY SPECIFIC 15 PROVISION OF THE REGULATION UNDER THIS ACT: PROVIDED, THAT 16 SUCH DANGEROUS DRUG PREPARATION OR ANY DRUG PREPARATION 17 CONTAINING CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS IS REGISTERED WITH THE BUREAU OF FOOD AND DRUGS AS A DRUG, 18 19 AND PRODUCTS CONTAINING THE CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND 20 ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS ARE LEGITIMATELY TRADED AND SOLD 21 COMMERCIALLY. Proceedings to reclassify, add, or remove a drug, CHEMICAL or 22 other substance, OR EXEMPT IT FROM ANY PRESCRIBED REGULATION may 23 be initiated by the PDEA, the DOH, or by petition from any interested party, including the 24 manufacturer of a drug, CHEMICAL OR OTHER SUBSTANCE, a medical society or 25 association, a pharmacy association, A CHEMICAL ASSOCIATION, a public interest 26 group concerned with drug OR CHEMICAL abuse, a national or local government 27 agency, or an individual citizen. When a petition is received by the Board, it shall 28 immediately begin its own investigation of the drug OR CHEMICAL OR 29 SUBSTANCE. The PDEA also may begin an investigation of a drug, CHEMICAL OR 30 SUBSTANCE at any time based upon the information received from law enforcement 31 laboratories, national and local law enforcement and regulatory agencies, or other sources 32 of information.

33 "The Board after notice and hearing shall consider the following factors with
 34 respect to each substance proposed to be reclassified, added or removed from control OR
 35 EXEMPTED FROM ANY PRESCRIBED REGULATORY CONTROL:

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(a) Its actual or relative potential for abuse;

(b) Scientific evidence of its pharmacological effect if known;

1 The state of current scientific knowledge regarding the drug, (c) 2 CHEMICAL or other substance; 3 (d) EVIDENCE AND history [and] OF current pattern of abuse, ILLICIT 4 TRAFFIC AND DIVERSION OF SUCH SUBSTANCE; 5 The scope, duration, and significance of abuse, ILLICIT TRAFFIC (e) 6 AND DIVERSION: 7 (f) Risk to public health; [and] 8 (g) Whether the substance is an immediate precursor of a substance already 9 controlled under this Act; 10 **(H)** TOXICOLOGY, INCLUDING ADVERSE REACTIONS IN 11 HUMANS; 12 THERAPEUTIC OR INDUSTRIAL USE; **(I**) 13 OR THE PREPARATION MIXTURE IS **(J)** WHETHER 14 COMPOUNDED IN SUCH A WAY THAT IT PRESENTS NO OR NEGLIGIBLE RISK OF ABUSE OR DIVERSION AND THE SUBSTANCE MAY NOT BE 15 RECOVERED BY READILY APPLICABLE MEANS IN QUANTITY LIABLE TO 16 ABUSE OR DIVERSION SO THAT THE PREPARATION OR MIXTURE DOES 17 18 NOT GIVE RISE TO A PUBLIC HEALTH, SOCIAL OR LAW ENFORCEMENT 19 **PROBLEM:** WHETHER THE DRUG OR GROUP OF DRUGS 20 IS (K) FORMULATED IN SUCH A WAY THAT IT MAY NOT BE EASILY USED IN 21 THE ILLICIT PRODUCTION OF A DANGEROUS DRUG; AND 22 23 (L) WHETHER THE CONTROLLED PRECURSOR AND 24 ESSENTIAL CHEMICAL MAY BE READILY RECOVERED FROM THE DRUG 25 OR GROUPS OF DRUGS OR CHEMICAL MIXTURE OR END PRODUCT 26 CONTAINING THE CHEMICAL. 27 "The Board shall take into accord the obligations and commitments to 28 international treaties, conventions and agreements to which the Philippines is a signatory. 29 "The Dangerous Drugs Board shall give notice to the general public of the public 30 hearing of the reclassification, addition to or removal from the list of any drug, 31 CHEMICAL OR SUBSTANCE OR EXEMPTION FROM ANY PRESCRIBED 32 **REGULATION** by publishing such notice in any newspaper of general circulation once a 33 week for two weeks OR PROVIDING INTERESTED PARTIES WITH DUE 34 NOTICES. THE BOARD SHALL LIKEWISE GIVE NOTICE TO THE GENERAL 35 PUBLIC OF ITS DECISIONS BY PUBLISHING THE REGULATION IN ANY 36 **NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION ONCE A WEEK FOR TWO (2)** 37 WEEKS.

"The effect of such reclassification, addition or removal FROM THE LISTS OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS, OR EXEMPTION FROM ANY PRESCRIBED REGULATION shall be as follows:

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(a) In case a dangerous drug is reclassified as CONTROLLED precursors and essential chemicals, the penalties for the violations of this Act involving [the two latter categories of drugs] CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS shall, in case of conviction, be imposed in all pending criminal cases;

9 (b) In case a **CONTROLLED** precursor and essential chemical is 10 reclassified as dangerous drug, the penalties for violation of this Act, involving 11 **CONTROLLED** precursors and essential chemicals shall, in case of conviction, be 12 imposed in all pending criminal cases;

(c) In case of the addition of a new drug OR CHEMICAL to the list of
 dangerous drugs [and] OR CONTROLLED precursors and essential chemicals, no
 criminal liability involving the same under this Act shall arise until after the lapse of
 fifteen (15) days from the last publication of such notice;

(d) In case of removal of a drug OR CHEMICAL from the list of dangerous
 drugs [and] OR CONTROLLED precursors and essential chemicals, all persons
 convicted and/or detained for the use and/or possession of such a drug OR CHEMICAL
 shall be automatically released and all pending criminal prosecution involving such a drug
 under this Act shall forthwith be dismissed; [and]

22 [The Board shall, within five (5) days from the date of its promulgation (e) 23 submit to Congress a detailed reclassification, addition, or removal of any drug from the 24 list of dangerous drugs.] IN CASE OF EXEMPTION OF DRUG PREPARATIONS 25 CONTAINING DANGEROUS DRUGS, OR CHEMICAL MIXTURE OR PREPARATION OR PRODUCT CONTAINING CONTROLLED PRECURSORS 26 AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS FROM ANY SPECIFIC PROVISIONS OF 27 IMPLEMENTING REGULATIONS, ALL PERSONS CONVICTED AND/OR 28 DETAINED FOR VIOLATION OF THAT CORRESPONDING SPECIFIC 29 30 REGULATION SHALL BE AUTOMATICALLY RELEASED AND ALL 31 PENDING CRIMINAL PROSECUTION AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS SHALL FORTHWITH BE DISMISSED; AND 32

(F) THE BOARD SHALL, WITHIN FIVE (5) DAYS FROM THE
DATE OF ITS PROMULGATION, SUBMIT TO CONGRESS A DETAILED
RECLASSIFICATION, ADDITION, REMOVAL OF ANY DRUG, CHEMICAL
OR OTHER SUBSTANCE FROM THE LISTS OF DANGEROUS DRUGS
AND/OR CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS, AND
EXEMPTIONS.

| 1 | SEC. 37. Section 98 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows: |
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| 2 | "SEC. 98. Limited Applicability of the Revised Penal Code Notwithstanding |
| 3 | any law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the provisions of the Revised Penal Code (Act |
| 4 | No. 3814), as amended, shall not apply to the provisions of this Act, except in the case of |
| 5 | minor offenders. Where the offender is a minor, the penalty for acts punishable by life |
| 6 | imprisonment [to death] provided herein shall be reclusion perpetua [to death]." |
| 7 | SEC. 38. Section 101 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows: |
| 8 | "SEC. 101. [Amending] AMENDATORY Clause. – Republic Act No. 7659 |
| 9 | AND PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1619 [is] ARE hereby amended accordingly." |
| 10 | SEC. 39. Separability Clause Should any provision of this Act or any part thereof be |
| 11 | declared invalid, the other provisions, insofar as they are separable from the invalid one, shall remain in |
| 12 | full force and effect. |
| 13 | SEC. 40. Repealing Clause All laws, orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts |
| 14 | thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly. |
| 15 | SEC. 41. <i>Effectivity</i> . – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the |
| 16 | Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation. |
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