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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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- BY REPRESENTATIVES ZARATE, NIETO, ROMAN, HERRERA-DY, DE JESUS, VILLARIN, VERGARA, AGGABAO, VIOLAGO, BROSAS, BATOCABE, VILLARICA, SY-ALVARADO, MALAPITAN, SANDOVAL AND OLIVAREZ, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1250
- AN ACT DECLARING MAY 17 OF EVERY YEAR AS THE NATIONAL DAY AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA, BIPHOBIA, TRANSPHOBIA AND OTHER PHOBIAS ON PERSONS WITH DIVERSE SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR GENDER IDENTITY OR EXPRESSION (SOGIE)

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

SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "National Day
Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Transphobia and Other Phobias on
Persons With Diverse Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity or
Expression (SOGIE) Act".

5 SEC. 2. In accord with the observance of the International 6 Day Against Transphobia and Homophobia, the "National Day 7 Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Transphobia and Other Phobias on 8 Persons With Diverse SOGIE" shall be commemorated in the 9 Philippines every year in recognition of the rights of lesbian, gay, 10 bisexual and transgender (LGBT) persons in the country and as 11 part of the effort to end intolerance, discrimination, and oppression.

SEC. 3. All government offices, private institutions, schools,
colleges and universities are hereby encouraged to extend their full

support for exercises and activities in the observance, promotion
and protection of LGBT rights, particularly through a massive
multimedia information campaign.

4 SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its 5 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general 6 circulation.

Approved,

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