



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 4244

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MAGSAYSAY (E.), CHIPECO, BIAZON AND CHATTO, PER COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 741

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE LEGITIMATION OF CHILDREN BORN
TO PARENTS BELOW MARRYING AGE, AMENDING FOR THE
PURPOSE THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS
AMENDED

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

1 SECTION 1. Article 177 of Executive Order No. 209, otherwise known
2 as the Family Code of the Philippines, as amended, is hereby further amended
3 to read as follows:

4 “ART. 177. Only children conceived and born outside of
5 wedlock of parents who, at the time of the conception of the
6 former, were not disqualified by any impediment to marry each
7 other may be legitimated[.]: **PROVIDED, THAT THOSE**

1 CONCEIVED AND BORN TO PARENTS UNDER THE AGE OF
2 MAJORITY MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR LEGITIMATION.”

3 SEC. 2. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, presidential decrees, executive
4 orders, proclamations and/or administrative regulations which are inconsistent
5 with the provisions of this Act are hereby amended, modified, superseded or
6 repealed accordingly.

7 SEC. 3. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days
8 after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in at least two newspapers of
9 national circulation.

Approved,

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