AN ACT

PROVIDING FOR STIFFER PENALTIES FOR DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL, DANGEROUS DRUGS AND/OR OTHER SIMILAR SUBSTANCES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10586, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “ANTI-DRUNK AND DRUGGED DRIVING ACT OF 2013”

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

SECTION 1. Section 12 of Republic Act No. 10586 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 12. Penalties. – A driver found to have been driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, dangerous drugs and/or other similar substances, as provided under Section 5 of this Act, shall be penalized as follows:

a) If the violation of Section 5 did not result in physical injuries or homicide, the penalty of [three (3)] SIX (6) months imprisonment and a fine ranging from [Twenty] FIFTY thousand pesos [(Php20,000.00)] (PHP50,000.00) to [Eighty] ONE HUNDRED thousand pesos [(Php80,000.00)] (PHP100,000.00) shall be imposed;
b) If the violation of Section 5 resulted in physical injuries, the penalty provided for in THE APPLICABLE PARAGRAPH OF Article 263 of the Revised Penal Code, IN ITS MAXIMUM PERIOD, or the penalty provided for in the [next] IMMEDIATELY preceding paragraph, whichever is higher, and a fine ranging from One hundred FIFTY thousand pesos [(Php100,000.00)] (PHP150,000.00) to Two hundred FIFTY thousand pesos [(Php200,000.00)] (PHP250,000.00) shall be imposed;

c) If the violation of Section 5 resulted in homicide, the penalty provided in Article 249 of the Revised Penal Code, IN ITS MAXIMUM PERIOD, and a fine ranging from Three hundred FIFTY thousand pesos [(Php300,000.00)] (PHP350,000.00) to Five hundred FIFTY thousand pesos [(Php500,000.00)] (PHP550,000.00) shall be imposed;

d) The non-professional driver’s license of any person found to have violated Section 5 of this Act shall also be confiscated and suspended for a period of [twelve (12)] EIGHTEEN (18) months for the first conviction and perpetually revoked for the second conviction. The professional driver’s license of any person found to have violated Section 5 of this Act shall also be confiscated and perpetually revoked for the first conviction. The perpetual revocation of a driver’s license shall disqualify the person from being granted any kind of driver’s license thereafter.”

SEC. 2. Section 16 of Republic Act No. 10586 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 16. Review of Penalties. – The LTO shall, after five (5) years from the effectivity of this Act and every [five (5)] THREE (3) years thereafter, review the applicability and enforcement of all foregoing pecuniary penalties and shall initiate amendment and/or upgrade the same as may be necessary, subject to the approval of the PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE Secretary of [the DOTC] TRANSPORTATION.”

SEC. 3. All laws, decrees, executive orders, presidential issuances and other administrative rules and regulation or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

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

Approved,