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- AN ACT RECONFIGURING THE DISPOSITION OF THE MONIES COLLECTED AND DELINEATING THE STATUS OF THE SPECIAL FUNDS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 7-AND 8 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8794, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MOTOR VEHICLE USER'S CHARGE LAW, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. Section 7 of Republic Act No. 8794 is hereby amended to 2 read as follows:

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"SEC. 7. Disposition of Monies Collected. - All monies collected under this Act shall be earmarked solely and used exclusively (1) for road maintenance, REPAIR, [and the] improvement AND CONCRETING of [road] ALL ROADS AND/OR drainage, PROJECTS, (2) for the installation of adequate and efficient traffic lights and road safety devices, and (3) for air pollution control.

"All such monies collected shall be deposited in four (4) special trust accounts in the National Treasury, namely: (1) Special Road Support Fund; (2) Special Local Road Fund; (3) Special Road Safety Fund; and (4) Special Vehicle Pollution Control Fund. The distribution of collections under this Act shall be as follows:

"(1) [Eighty percent (80%)] EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT (85%) shall be allotted to and placed in the Special Road Support Fund:

"(2) Five percent (5%) shall be allotted to and placed in 19 the Special Local Road Fund: 20

"(3) [Seven and one-half percent (7.5%)] 21 FIVE PERCENT (5%) shall be allotted to and placed in the Special 22 23 Road Safety Fund; and

24 "(4) [Seven and one-half percent (7.5%)] FIVE 25 PERCENT (5%) shall be allotted to and placed in the Special Vehicle Pollution Control Fund, 26

"The Special Road Support Fund, the Special Local Road Fund and the Special Road Safety Fund shall be under the DPWH, whereas the Special Vehicle Pollution Control Fund shall be under the DOTC.

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18 19 "[Seventy percent (70%) of the Special Road Support Fund shall be used exclusively for the maintenance of, and the improvement of drainage of, national primary roads. The remaining thirty percent (30%) thereof shall be allocated and used for the maintenance, and improvement of drainage of national secondary roads throughout the country.]

"The cost of installation of adequate and efficient traffic lights and road safety devices throughout the country, where such traffic lights and safety devices are needed, shall be taken from the Special Road Safety Fund.

"The Special Local Road Fund shall be apportioned to provincial and city governments in accordance with the vehicle population and size of the road network under their respective jurisdictions, and shall be used exclusively for maintenance of local roads, traffic management and road safety devices.

20 "A Road Board to implement the prudent and efficient 21 management and utilization of the special funds shall be organized by the President of the Philippines. The Road Board 22 23 shall be composed of seven (7) members, with the Secretary of 24 the DPWH as ex officio head, and the secretaries of the Departments of Finance, Budget and Management, and 25 26 Transportation and Communications, as ex officio members. The 27 remaining three (3) members shall come from transport and 28 motorist organizations which have been in existence and active

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for the last five (5) years prior to this Act. They shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years each by the President of the Philippines upon the recommendation of the secretaries of the DPWH and the DOTC.

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5 "THE SPECIAL ROAD SUPPORT FUND SHALL BE 6 ALLOCATED TO EACH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT INCLUDING 7 CONSTITUENCIES OF PARTY-LIST REPRESENTATIVES IN 8 EOUAL AMOUNTS OF. TWENTY MILLION PESOS 9 (P20.000.000.00) PER CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT AND 10 PARTY-LIST CONSTITUENCIES AND SIXTY MILLION PESOS (P60.000,000.00) FOR THE NATIONAL CONSTITUENCIES PER 11 12 SENATOR. IT SHALL BE INTENDED FOR THE MAINTENANCE, 13 REPAIR, IMPROVEMENT AND CONCRETING OF ALL ROADS AND 14 DRAINAGE WHETHER NATIONAL PRIMARY AND NATIONAL 15 SECONDARY ROAD, PROVINCIAL, CITY, MUNICIPAL OR 16 BARANGAY ROADS. THE REMAINING UNDISTRIBUTED AMOUNT 17 OF THE SPECIAL ROAD SUPPORT FUND SHALL BE 18 DISTRIBUTED TO CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS BASED ON ROAD 19 COVERAGE AND CONDITION: PROVIDED, THAT URBAN 20 DISTRICTS SHALL BE ALLOCATED AN AMOUNT OF THIRTY 21 MILLION PESOS (P30,000,000.00). FIFTEEN PERCENT (15%) 22 OF THE SPECIAL ROAD SUPPORT FUND SHALL BE ALLOCATED [•]23 AS CONTINGENCY FUND THAT THE ROAD BOARD SHALL 24 MANAGE."

25 SEC. 2. Section 8 of Republic Act No. 8794 is hereby amended to read 26 as follows:

27 "SEC. 8. Status of the Special Funds. - The four (4)
28 special funds established under this Act shall be distinct and
29 separate from and in addition to any appropriation authorized

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and granted yearly to the DPWH, [and] the DOTC AND THE CONSTITUENCIES OF MEMBERS OF CONGRESS to cover expenditures for the identified objects of expenditures under this Act. Congress shall continue to appropriate an amount in the General Appropriations Act for road maintenance of the DPWH: *Provided, however,* That any savings for each year out of such appropriation shall revert to the General Fund. Any savings from the special funds created herein shall accrue to these respective special funds."

SEC. 3. Repealing Clause. - All laws, presidential decrees, executive
 orders, other executive issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with
 this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

13 SEC. 4. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after
14 its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

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