HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 6012

BY REPRESENTATIVES BELMONTE (V.) AND MATUGAS

AN ACT IMPOSING A LOGGING BAN IN ILIGAN CITY

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

1 SECTION 1. A logging ban is hereby imposed in Iligan City.

2 SEC. 2. For purposes of this Act, logging shall refer to the process,
3 work or business of cutting down trees for commercial purposes.

4 SEC. 3. The harvesting of planted species within tree plantations and 5 tree-cutting activities for projects approved by the government and only for 6 basic services such as, but not limited to, public works, energy development or 7 water utilities are exempted from this Act: *Provided*, That any harvesting or 8 cutting of tree species shall comply with all pertinent environmental and 9 forestry laws, rules and regulations.

SEC. 4. *Penal Provisions.* – Any person, employer or employment agency who shall violate the provisions of this Act shall be penalized with imprisonment of at least six (6) years but not more than twelve (12) years and a fine of at least One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) but not more than Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00). If the violator is a corporation or an association, the president and the manager/s of the said corporation or association, or its agent or representative in the Philippines in the case of a
 foreign corporation or association, shall be held liable.

SEC. 5. Implementing Rules and Regulations. - The Secretary of the
Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) shall, within three
(3) months following the effectivity of this Act, promulgate the necessary rules
and regulations for its effective implementation.

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

Approved,

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