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By Representatives Alvarez (P.), Relampagos, Yap (M.), Gonzaga, Teves, Manalo, Mercado, Gonzalez, Oaminal, Salon, Palma, Dalipe, Lee, Ortega (P.), Acop, Robes, Salo, Hofer, Nieto, Villarica, Albano, Pimentel, Pineda, Gonzales (A.D.), Umali, Casilao, Labadlabad, Yu, Go (M.), Bataoil, Nava, Garcia (J.E.), De Vera, Fariñas, Bondoc, Gullas, De Venecia, Bravo (A.), Go (A.C.), Crisologo, Noel, Uy (J.), Brosas, Castro (F.L.), Aggabao, Vergara, Violago, Roa-Puno and Ferrer (J.), per Committee Report No. 446

AN ACT RATIONALIZING THE REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM REGARDING LAND REGISTRATION TO FACILITATE SPEED AND EFFICIENCY IN LAND REGISTRATION

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

SECTION 1. Declaration of Policy. – It is the policy of the State to warrant the efficiency and responsiveness of government by ensuring the implementation of national policies and procedures that reduce if not eradicate bureaucratic red tape and enable

smooth and speedy transactions between its agents and the public.

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SEC. 2. Clearance Permits for Land Registration. — Clearance permits from the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) for the purpose of registering land shall only apply to those lands which are covered by the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP).

For the registration of lands not covered by the CARP, as provided for in Section 10 of Republic Act No. 6657, as amended, otherwise known as the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Law of 1988, as well as those lands with a size below the five (5)-hectare retention limit imposed by Section 6 of the same Act, no clearance or permit from the DAR shall be required: Provided. That a Certificate or Order of Exemption or Exclusion issued by the DAR shall be submitted as adequate proof that the agricultural land still possesses the status of being exempt or excluded from coverage of the CARP as provided for in Section 10 of Republic Act No. 6657: Provided, further, That an affidavit of aggregate total agricultural lands by both the transferor and the transferee shall be presented in case of lands with a size below the five (5)-hectare retention limit: Provided, furthermore, That no deed of sale of agricultural land under cultivation by an agricultural lessee or lessees shall be recorded in the Registry of Property unless accompanied by the affidavit required of the vendor as contemplated in Section 13 of Republic Act No. 3844, otherwise known as the Agricultural Land Reform Code.

1	SEC. 4. Implementing Rules and Regulations Within
2	sixty (60) days after the effectivity of this Act, the DAR shall
3	promulgate the rules and regulations for its implementation.
4	SEC. 5. Separability Clause If any part or provision of
5	this Act is held invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions
6	which are not affected shall remain in full force and effect.
7	SEC. 6. Repealing Clause All laws, rules and regulations,
8	decrees, and issuances, or parts thereof inconsistent with the
9	provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or
10	modified accordingly.
11	SEC. 7. Effectivity This Act shall take effect fifteen (15)
12	days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper
13	of general circulation.

Approved,