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H. No. 10647

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AN ACT
GRANTING ADDITIONAL BENEFITS TO FILIPINO CENTENARIANS,
RECOGNIZING OCTOGENARIANS AND NONAGENARIANS, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10868, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'CENTENARIANS ACT
OF 2016'

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 2 of Republic Act No. 10868 is amended to read as follows:
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3 "SEC. 2. [Letter of Felicitation and Cash Gift] **BENEFITS FOR**
4 **CENTENARIANS.** – All Filipinos who reach the age of one hundred (100)
5 years old, whether residing in the Philippines or abroad, shall be honored
6 with:
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8 (a) A letter of felicitation from the President of the Philippines
9 congratulating the celebrant [for his and her] **ON ONE'S** longevity;
10 and
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12 (b) A Centenarian Gift in the amount of one hundred thousand pesos
13 (P100,000.00)
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15 "ALL FILIPINO CENTENARIANS WHO REACH THE AGE
16 OF ONE HUNDRED AND ONE (101) YEARS OLD SHALL
17 RECEIVE A CASH GIFT IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE MILLION
18 PESOS (P1,000,000.00) ON THEIR BIRTHDAY."
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21 SEC. 2. A new section denominated as Section 3 of the same Act is added to read as follows:
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23 "SEC. 3. **BENEFITS FOR OCTOGENARIANS AND**
24 **NONAGENARIANS.** – ALL FILIPINOS WHO REACH THE
25 AGE OF EIGHTY (80), EIGHTY-FIVE (85), NINETY (90) AND
26 NINETY-FIVE (95) YEARS OLD SHALL ALSO RECEIVE A
27 LETTER OF FELICITATION FROM THE PRESIDENT AND A
28 CASH GIFT OF TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND PESOS
29 (P25,000.00)."
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31 SEC. 3. Sections 3 and 4 of the same Act are renumbered as Sections 4 and 5 respectively.
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33 SEC. 4. A new section denominated as Section 6 of the same Act is added to read as follows:
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35 "SEC. 6. **LEAD AGENCY.** – **THE NATIONAL COMMISSION OF**
36 **SENIOR CITIZENS (NCSC) SHALL IMPLEMENT THE**
37 **PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT.**"

1 SEC. 5. Section 5 of the same Act is renumbered as Section 7 and amended to read as follows:

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3 “SEC. [5]7. [Funding. – During the initial year of the implementation of
4 this Act, the requisite fund shall be sourced from the available funds of
5 the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and
6 subsequently the amount necessary to implement the provisions of this
7 Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.”]

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9 **“APPROPRIATIONS. – THE AMOUNT NECESSARY FOR THE
10 IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT SHALL BE INCLUDED IN
11 THE ANNUAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT.”**

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13 SEC. 6. Section 6 of the same Act is renumbered as Section 8 and amended to read as follows:

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15 “SEC. [6]8. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – Within thirty (30)
16 days from the effectivity of this Act, the [Secretaries of the DSWD]
17 **CHAIRPERSON OF THE NCSC SHALL, IN CONSULTATION**
18 **WITH THE SECRETARY OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND**
19 **DEVELOPMENT,** the [Department] **SECRETARY** of the Interior and
20 Local Government, the [Department] **SECRETARY** of Health, [and] the
21 Executive Director of the Commission on Filipino Overseas, **AND THE**
22 **UNDERSECRETARY OF THE PHILIPPINE STATISTICS**
23 **OFFICE,** [shall] promulgate the necessary [guidelines for and shall take
24 the lead in] **RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR** the effective
25 implementation of this Act.”

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27 SEC. 7. Sections 7 and 8 of the same Act are renumbered as Sections 9 and 10 respectively.

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29 SEC. 8. All laws, presidential decrees, issuances, executive orders, letters of instruction, rules
30 or regulations, or parts thereof inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this Act are
31 repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

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33 SEC. 9. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or
34 in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.