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NOT TO BE RELEASED
REPORT No. 1176

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AN ACT GRANTING CASH INCENTIVES TO FILIPINO ATHLETES WINNING GOLD, SILVER AND BRONZE MEDALS IN THE OLYMPIC GAMES, ASIAN GAMES, SEA GAMES AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, INCLUDING THEIR RESPECTIVE COACHES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 SECTION 1. *Incentives for Athletes.* – Filipino athletes who have
2 brought honor and prestige to the country by winning gold, silver and
3 bronze medals in the Olympic Games, Asian Games, SEA Games and
4 other international championships shall be entitled to cash awards in the
5 following amounts:

6 (A) INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

7 (a) For gold medalists:

- 8 (1) Five million pesos (P5,000,000.00) for Olympic Games;
9 (2) One million pesos (P1,000,000.00) for the Asian Games; and
10 (3) One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) for the SEA
11 Games.

12 (b) For silver medalists:

- 13 (1) Two million five hundred thousand pesos (P2,500,000.00) for
14 the Olympic Games;
15 (2) Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) for the Asian
16 Games; and
17 (3) Fifty thousand pesos (P50,000.00) for the SEA Games.

18 (c) For bronze medalists:

- 19 (1) One million pesos (P1,000,000.00) for the Olympic Games;
20 (2) One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) for the Asian
21 Games; and
22 (3) Ten thousand pesos (P10,000.00) of the SEA Games.

1 Athletes who have distinguished themselves by winning gold in
2 other IF-sanctioned international competitions which have continental or
3 world impact and participated in by at least thirty (30) countries shall
4 likewise be entitled to cash awards in the following amounts:

5 (1) Two million five hundred thousand pesos (P2,500,000.00) for
6 the quadrennial World Cup or World Championships;

7 (2) One million pesos (P1,000,000.00) for the biennial World Cup
8 or World Championships;

9 (3) Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) for the annual
10 World Cup or World Championships;

11 (4) Two hundred thousand pesos (P200,000.00) for the Asian
12 Championships; and

13 (5) Fifty thousand pesos (P50,000.00) for other international
14 championships.

15 For international championships participated in by less than thirty
16 (30) countries, gold medalists shall be entitled to cash awards in the
17 following amounts:

18 (1) One hundred fifty thousand pesos (P150,000.00) for the Asian
19 Championships; and

20 (2) Seventy-five thousand pesos (P75,000.00) for the Southeast
21 Asian Championships.

1 (B) TEAM EVENTS

2 For competitions with less than five (5) participants, the team shall
3 receive the same cash award as for individual medal winners as herein
4 provided, to be divided equally among the team members who are actually
5 present during the competition.

6 For competitions with five (5) or more participants, the team shall
7 receive twice the cash award for individual winners, to be divided equally
8 among the team members who are actually present during the competition.

9 SEC. 2. *Incentives for Coaches.* – The coach of medal winners
10 shall receive a cash incentive equivalent to fifty percent (50%) of the total
11 amount received by the athlete with the highest medal earned. In case an
12 athlete has more than one (1) coach, the cash award shall be divided
13 equally among the coaches who are actually present during the
14 competition.

15 SEC. 3. *One-Time Gratuity Award for Past Achievers.* – Incentives,
16 as herein provided, shall likewise be given to Filipino athletes who have
17 won gold, silver or bronze medals in past Olympic Games, and gold
18 medals in the Asian Games and in the quadrennial World Cup or World
19 Championships and other equally prestigious international competitions
20 with a continental or world impact starting 1950 up to and including all
21 competitions held immediately before the passage of this Act: *Provided,*
22 That such incentive shall be net of whatever cash award received under

1 Administrative Order No. 352 and shall cover only athletes who are living
2 at the time of the approval of this Act.

3 In case of multiple medals, the athlete shall receive whichever cash
4 award is higher.

5 SEC. 4. *Limitations.* – Incentives shall only be given to deserving
6 and qualifying athletes and coaches who instill national pride and attain
7 international prestige through excellence in sports. Athletes who obtain
8 medals due to luck of the draw and who are recipients of diplomatic or
9 consolation medals, and those whose score or performance are below par,
10 shall not be covered. Demonstration, exhibition, ranking and qualifying
11 invitational championships and those granting prize money or those held
12 in honor of any personality or sponsor, shall not be covered.

13 SEC. 5. *Eligibility of Coaches.* – Only Filipino athletes who are
14 accredited with their respective national sports associations, the Philippine
15 Olympic Committee and the Philippine Sports Commission, and have
16 rendered service to the athlete or team at least six (6) months prior to the
17 competition shall be entitled to the cash incentive. The individual athlete
18 or team captain shall identify the coach or coaches through a written
19 certification at least one (1) month prior to departure for the competition.
20 Failure to submit said requirement shall disqualify the coach to receive any
21 cash incentive.

1 SEC. 6. *Additional Incentives/Benefits.* – The President is
2 authorized to grant additional incentives and benefits to athletes upon
3 recommendation of the Philippine Sports Commission.

4 SEC. 7. *Funding.* – The amount necessary for the implementation
5 of this Act shall be taken from the net cash income of the Philippine
6 Amusements and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR), to be remitted directly
7 as a special account to the National Sports Development Fund of the
8 Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), in addition to the regular income
9 share of PSC under Republic Act No. 6847. In the event of privatization
10 of PAGCOR, the amount needed to continue the implementation of the
11 program shall be included in the budget of the PSC in the annual General
12 Appropriations Act.

13 SEC. 8. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, orders, rules and
14 regulations or other issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with the
15 provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

16 SEC. 9. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The PSC, in
17 coordination with the Philippine Olympic Committee and in consultation
18 with the Senate and House Committees on Sports Development and other
19 concerned sectors, shall promulgate and issue the implementing rules and
20 regulations within sixty (60) days upon approval of this Act.

Approved,