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AN ACT MANDATING PUBLIC AND PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO PROVIDE THE APPROPRIATE ARMCHAIRS TO LEFT-HANDED STUDENTS

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

1 SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "Mandatory  
2 Provision of Left-Handed Armchairs in Educational Institutions  
3 Act".

4 SEC. 2. The State recognizes the vital role of the youth in  
5 nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral,  
6 spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being. It is hereby declared  
7 the policy of the State to promote the equal development of  
8 students, including those who are left-handed. Towards this end,  
9 the State shall require educational institutions to provide  
10 appropriate armchairs to address the needs of the left-handed  
11 student population.

12 SEC. 3. It shall be obligatory for all educational institutions,  
13 both public and private, that make use of armchairs in the  
14 classroom to provide the appropriate armchairs for left-handed  
15 students, equivalent to at least ten percent (10%) of the student  
16 population.

17 SEC. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act,  
18 the Department of Education, the Commission on Higher  
19 Education, and the Technical Education and Skills Development  
20 Authority shall formulate the rules and regulations implementing  
21 the provisions of this Act.

22 SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its  
23 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general  
24 circulation.

Approved,