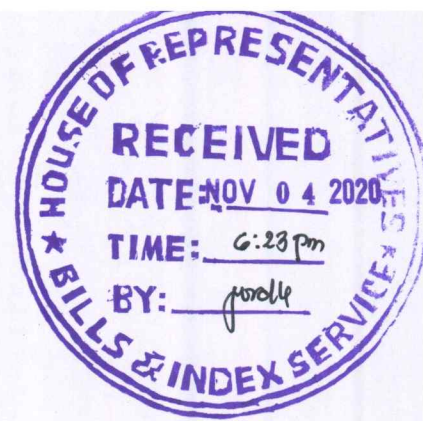


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House Bill No. 7957



Introduced by **CONG. "KUYA" JOSE ANTONIO R. SY-ALVARADO**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The global pandemic COVID-19 continues to peril the economy of our country, thus compelling the National Government to implement necessary actions such as enacting laws to boost and sustain the livelihood of Filipinos in these trying times.

On the 25th of March 2020, Republic Act No. 11469 also known as the "Bayanihan to Heal as One Act", which was passed by the Congress swiftly, took effect and has become the nozzle of assistance such as the Social Amelioration Program. This indispensable legislative act of the Congress made the Filipinos withstand the pandemic for these past months as the number of cases continues to rise as we adjust to the new normal.

Moreover, on 11th of September 2020, Republic Act No. 11494 also known as the "Bayanihan to Recover as One Act", was signed by the President to provide further assistance and to carry on the provisions of the RA 11469. However, under section 18 of the said law, the effectivity thereof shall be until the next adjournment of the Eighteenth Congress on December 19, 2020.

Thus, this representation deems it necessary to extend the validity of the Bayanihan to Recover as One Act (RA 11494) until December 2021. As we continue to make efforts to flatten the curve, it is only proper to be reinforced with the appropriate corresponding provisions, that is the abovementioned law, in making this possible.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is immediately sought.

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AN ACT
EXTENDING THE EFFECTIVITY OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11494, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS BAYANIHAN TO RECOVER AS ONE ACT, AMENDING FOR THE
PURPOSE SECTION 18 THEREOF

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

Section 1. **Extension.** – Section 18 of Republic Act No. 11494 otherwise known as the “Bayanihan to Recover as One Act” is hereby amended as follows:

“**SEC. 18. Effectivity.** – Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, this Act shall be in full force and effect until [the next adjournment of the Eighteenth Congress on December 19, 2020.] **DECEMBER 19, 2021.** This Act shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation or in the *Official Gazette*: *Provided,* That Section 4(cc) of this Act shall be deemed to be in effect since Republic Act No. 11469 expired.”

Section 2. **Effectivity.** – This Act shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation or in the *Official Gazette*.

Approved,

