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HOUSE BILL NO. 9354



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REP. JOSE CHRISTOPHER Y. BELMONTE, AND REP. STELLA LUZ A. QUIMBO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Pursuant to Article II, Sec. 15 of the 1987 Constitution, the mandate of the State is to protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among Filipinos. In line with this, the 18th Congress has passed Republic Act No. 11525 or the “COVID-19 Vaccination Program Act of 2021” last July 2020. The statute provided the framework and guidelines in the procurement, administration process and the provision of funds for the said program.

The COVID-19 Vaccination Program officially started last March 2021, and it has been perceived as one of the solutions to the coronavirus pandemic as hundreds of Filipinos are inoculated to be protected against the virus.

With the arrival of more vaccines in the country, the swift roll out of the vaccine is needed for the efficient administration and to prevent possible expiration of the doses. This bill aims to amend Republic Act No. 11525 to add additional medical personnel as vaccinators to help in the inoculation and effective and efficient roll-out of the COVID-19 vaccines in the country.

In view of the foregoing reasons, the approval of this bill is most earnestly sought.


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**AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11525 OR
COVID-19 VACCINATION PROGRAM ACT OF 2021**

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

1 **SECTION 1.** – Section 9 of Republic Act No. 11525, otherwise known as “COVID-19 Vaccination
2 Program Act of 2021,” is hereby repealed and substituted as follows:

3 “**Section 9.** *Pharmacists, Midwives, Dentists, and Medical Technologists as*
4 *Vaccinators.* Notwithstanding the provisions of Sec. 4(g) of Republic Act No. 10918,
5 otherwise known as the “Philippine Pharmacy Act,” Section 23 of Republic Act No.
6 7392, otherwise known as the “Philippine Midwifery Act of 1992,” Section 4(a) of
7 Republic Act No. 9484 or the “Philippine Dental Act of 2007,” Section 2(a) of
8 Republic Act No. 5527 or the “Philippine Medical Technology Act of 1969,” and in
9 furtherance of the COVID-19 Vaccination Program, licensed pharmacist, registered
10 midwives, duly registered dentists, and licensed medical technologists who are duly
11 trained by the DOH may administer COVID-19 vaccines that are registered with the
12 FDA or which possess an EUA.”

13 **SECTION 2.** – *Repealing Clause.* - All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and
14 regulations contrary to or inconsistent with provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified
15 accordingly.

16 **SECTION 3.** – *Effectivity.* This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication in
17 the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

18 Approved,