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Introduced by **HON. JOY MYRA S. TAMBUNTING**

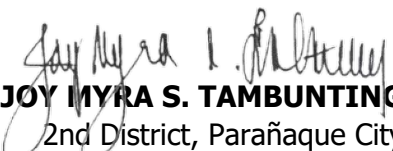
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### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This measure seeks to strengthen the information dissemination and consumer education of regulatory bodies and agencies by establishing a Product Safety Online Information Center which will be in the form of a website containing recalls, prohibitions, bans, defects, and other relevant safety information on consumer products and motor vehicles, or their ingredients or components.

Specifically, the website will feature (1) a searchable list of product safety notices and announcements, (2) alerts on latest notices and announcements, (3) simple, multi-lingual explainers on product safety, (4) a platform for reports and complaints on possible product safety issues and how to spot and detect unsafe or defective products through labels, identification numbers, batch and lot numbers, vehicle identification numbers (VIN), etc., and (5) contact information of manufacturers, retailers, distributors and other related businesses connected with recalled, prohibited, banned, or defective products. The management and maintenance of the online Information center will be multi-agency effort involving the Department of Health (DOH), Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Department of Agriculture (DA), Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority (FPA), Land Transportation Office (LTO), and Department of Trade and Industry (DTI).

On behalf of the people of Parañaque City's Second District, and for the common good of the Filipino people, the approval of the said measure is earnestly sought.

  
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**AN ACT**  
**PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ONLINE INFORMATION CENTER ON**  
**RECALL, PROHIBITION, DEFECT AND OTHER SAFETY-RELATED DATA ON CONSUMER**  
**PRODUCTS AND MOTOR VEHICLES**

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

**SECTION 1. Short Title.** – This Act shall be known as “Product Safety Online Information Center Act”.

**Section 2. Declaration of Policy.** – It is the declared policy of the State to protect the welfare and interests of consumers especially against unsafe and defective products. Hence, the State must take implement measures to prevent the proliferation of such products in the market and to provide information to the general public on recalls, prohibitions, bans, defects and other relevant safety Information.

**Section 3. Product Safety Information Center.** – An online, publicly accessible website shall be established containing recalls, prohibitions, bans, defects, and other relevant safety information on consumer products and motor vehicles, or their ingredients or components. The features of the said website are as follows:

- a) Searchable list of all valid and existing product recalls, prohibitions, bans, defect notices, and other relevant safety information;
- b) Alerts on latest recalls, prohibitions, bans, defect notices, and other safety announcements;
- c) Simple, plain-language explainers of recalls, prohibitions, bans, defect notices, and other safety announcements in English, Filipino, and other local languages or dialects as may be necessary;
- d) A platform for reports and complaints on possible safety issues and information on how to spot and detect unsafe or defective products through labels, identification numbers, batch and lot numbers, vehicle Identification numbers (VIN), etc.;
- e) Information on how to reach and contact manufacturers, retailers, distributors, and other related businesses connected with recalled, prohibited, banned, or defective products;
- f) Integration with existing consumer complaint and grievance procedures of the Implementing government agencies;

- g) Such other feature and Information as the implementing government agencies may deem necessary in order to foster convenience, quick access, and a user-friendly and practical interface.

**Section 4. Responsibilities of Implementing Government Agencies.** – The duty to keep the information and features of the website up-to-date, clear, and easily understandable for the general public shall fall upon the following agencies:

- a) Department of Health (DOH) and Food and Drug Administration (FDA) with respect to food, drugs, cosmetics, devices and substances;
- b) Department of Agriculture (DA) and Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority (FPA) with respect to products related to agriculture, Including fertilizers and pesticides;
- c) Land Transportation Office (LTO) with respect to motor vehicles; and
- d) Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) with respect to other consumer products Information and Communications Technology (DICT) for the setting up and maintenance of the website and its support infrastructure.

**Section 5. Appropriations.** – The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be Included in the annual General Appropriations for the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

**Section 6. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** – Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DOH, FDA, DA, FPA, L TO, DTI, and DICT, in coordination with other relevant government agencies, shall issue the necessary rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Act.

**Section 7. Repealing Clause.** – All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, proclamations, rules and regulations, or any part thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**Section 8. Separability Clause.** – If any provision or part of this Act, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held unconstitutional or Invalid, the remainder of this Act shall not be affected thereby.

**Section 9. Effectivity Clause.** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days from its publication in the Official Gazette or In at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

*Approved,*