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Introduced by Rep. BERNADETTE R. HERRERA-DY

RESOLUTION

MANDATING THE LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISE AND REGULATORY BOARD (LTFRB) TO REVIEW AND CLARIFY THE NATURE, PURPOSE, AND RESTRICTIONS OF GARAGE-TERMINAL (GT) / UTILITY VEHICLE (UV) EXPRESS FRANCHISES, AND FOR THE PROPER IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE FRANCHISES.

WHEREAS, the Utility Vehicle (UV) Express system is the successor of the Garage-Terminal (GT) Express system;

WHEREAS, the key feature of the GT Express system, now UV Express system, is the governance of the principles of "Terminal to Terminal only" and of the "No pick-up (Loading), No drop-off (Unloading)" while in transit;¹

WHEREAS, LTFRB Memorandum Circular No. 2009-019 expressly removed the requirement upon GT (UV) Express Service vehicles from loading and unloading passengers on specified terminals, and may load and unload passengers within a two (2) kilometre radius from the end points as specified in the Certificates of Public Convenience;²

WHEREAS, on July 28, 2016, the LTFRB has yet again augmented the system, no longer requiring GT (UV) Express Service Vehicles from requiring travel along a specified or particularised route, and has prohibited such services from traversing the Epifania Delos Santos Avenue (EDSA);³

WHEREAS, we are all aware that the traffic congestion in Metro Manila is at a crisis level, and that measures must be taken to alleviate the situation;

WHEREAS, we are aware that the traffic congestion situation is a hindrance to foreign investments, and that as of 2014, an estimated PhP 2.4 billion pesos is lost in potential incomes;⁴

BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the members of the House of Representatives of the Philippines, urging the LTFRB to review and clarify the nature, purpose, and restrictions of GT (UV) Express Franchises, and for the proper implementation of these franchise.

Adopted,


BERNADETTE HERRERA-DY

¹ Part II, Section 1, Land Transportation Franchising & Regulatory (LTFRB) Memorandum Circular No. 2007-007, February 13, 2007.

² Par. 2, LTFRB Memorandum Circular No. 2009-019, September 25, 2009.

³ LTFRB Memorandum Circular No. 2016-009.

⁴ See Katerina Francisco, *The cost of traffic in Metro Manila*, rappler.com, March 5, 2014.