



MEMORANDUM

FOR : **The Directors**
Policy and Planning Service
Legal Affairs Service
Climate Change Service
Administrative Service

The Bureau Directors
Environmental Management Bureau
Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau

FROM : **The Director**
Legislative Liaison Office

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON HB NO. 6199 INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE EDUARDO RAMA, ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING GASOLINE STATIONS TO INSTALL AND MAINTAIN FUNCTIONING EMERGENCY GENERATOR SETS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE THEREOF"; FROM THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

DATE : 02 May 2023

The Committee on Energy of the House of Representatives requests the Department's comments on House Bill No. 6199 introduced by Representative Eduardo Rama, entitled: "An Act requiring Gasoline stations to install and maintain functioning Emergency Generator sets and providing penalties for non-compliance thereof";

In this regard, may we respectfully request your **comments/recommendations** on the above-mentioned House Bill. Kindly submit it **on or before May 5, 2023, at 5 PM** through email at denrlo@denr.gov.ph. Attached herewith are the letter and a copy of the House Bill for your reference.

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cc: Undersecretary Special Concerns and Legislative Affairs



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April 28, 2023

SECRETARY ANTONIA "TONI" YULO-LOYZAGA
Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Dear Secretary Yulo-Loyzaga:

May we refer to you for comments on **House Bill No. 6199**, introduced by Representative Eduardo Rama, entitled: "AN ACT REQUIRING GASOLINE STATIONS TO INSTALL AND MAINTAIN FUNCTIONING EMERGENCY GENERATOR SETS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE THEREOF";

We would appreciate receiving your comments within ten (10) working days from receipt hereof.

Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

HON. LORD ALLAN Q. VELASCO
Chairperson

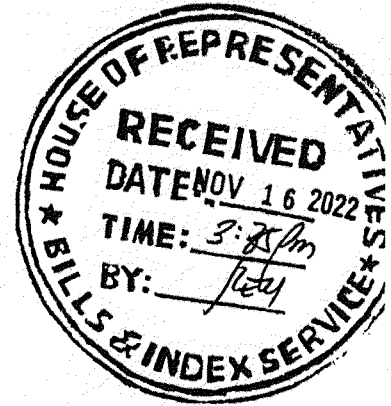
FOR THE CHAIRPERSON:


MELANIE T. AÑAIN
Committee Secretary

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

NINETEENTH CONGRESS
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. **6199**



Introduced by Representative Eduardo Roa Rama Jr.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to require gasoline stations to install and maintain functioning emergency generator sets and provide penalties for non-compliance thereof.

The Philippines is vulnerable to all types of natural calamities such as typhoons, earthquakes, floods, volcanic eruptions and landslides. Their occurrences cause loss of lives and property, serious social and economic disruptions and loss of livelihoods and services, including fuel services provided by gasoline stations.

The dire circumstances resulting from the occurrence of these calamities call for measures which mitigate the same and ensure that the people are provided access to fuel, to ensure their mobility during times of crisis. An emergency backup power generation in gasoline stations would assure its operational capability and prevent long queue lines of motoring public due to short or rotational blackouts without waiting for the power restoration.

This proposed measure will ensure a more reliable source of fuel even during the occurrence of calamities.

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



EDUARDO ROA RAMA, JR.

Introduced by Representative Eduardo R. Rama, Jr.

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2 **AN ACT**
3 **REQUIRING GASOLINE STATIONS TO INSTALL AND MAINTAIN**
4 **FUNCTIONING EMERGENCY GENERATOR SETS AND PROVIDING**
5 **PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE THEREOF**

6 *Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*
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8 SECTION 1. All gasoline stations are hereby required to install and maintain a
9 functioning emergency generator sets to ensure that the gasoline stations remain functional in
10 times of disasters and power outages.
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12 Within six (6) months from the effectivity of this Act, the owners of gasoline stations
13 shall install and maintain the required emergency generator sets, which must comply with the
14 specifications that the Department of Energy and Bureau of Fire Protection shall prescribe.
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16 SEC. 2. The Department of Energy, in coordination with the Bureau of Fire Protection
17 and local government units, shall check and regularly monitor the compliance of gasoline station
18 owners.

19 The requirements for securing a permit to operate gasoline stations shall include the plan
20 for the installation of emergency generator sets and the maintenance of emergency generator sets
21 is a continuing requirement for all gasoline stations.
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23 SEC. 3. Any gasoline station owner who fails to install emergency generator sets within
24 the prescribed period shall pay a fine of not less than One hundred thousand pesos
25 (P100,000.00) but not more than Two hundred thousand pesos (P200,000.00) and any gasoline
26 station owner who fails to maintain emergency generator sets shall pay a fine of not less than
27 Fifty thousand pesos (50,000.00) but not more than One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00).
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29 In addition to fines, the Department of Energy shall suspend the operation of any
30 gasoline station that fails to install and maintain emergency generator sets until the gasoline
31 station complies with the requirements under Section 1 of this Act.
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33 The fines shall be collected by the Department of Energy and shall be used for purposes
34 of monitoring the compliance of gasoline station owners, subject to existing accounting,
35 budgeting and auditing laws, rules and regulations.
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37 SEC. 4. Within Ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of Energy
38 shall, in coordination with the Secretaries of Environment and Natural Resources, the Interior
39 and Local Government, and the Chairperson of the National Disaster Risk Reduction and
40 Management Council, issue the rules and regulations necessary for the effective implementation
41 of this Act.
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1 SEC. 5. All laws, executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations, or parts inconsistent
2 with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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4 SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in
5 the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

6 Approved,