

Republic of the Philippines **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS CENTRAL OFFICE**

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FOR / TO

: Undersecretaries **Assistant Secretaries Service Directors Bureau Directors Regional Directors Heads of UPMOs District Engineers** This Department

For information and guidance, attached is a copy of Republic Act No. 11239 which was approved on March 8, 2019 entitled "AN ACT ABOLISHING THE ROAD BOARD AND PROVIDING FOR THE DISPOSITION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE USER'S CHARGE COLLECTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8794, ENTITLED "AN ACT IMPOSING A MOTOR VEHICLE USER'S CHARGE ON OWNERS OF ALL TYPES OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES".

A copy of said Republic Act may also be downloaded from the **DPWH website:** http://dpwhweb. If an office cannot access the DPWH website, a hard copy may be obtained from the Records Management Division, HRAS, upon request.

For dissemination to all concerned.

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Encl: Republic Act No. 11239 dated March 8, 2019

cc: Office of the Secretary 10.1.4 MKBA/RPE/RMB/MSV H. No. 7436 S. No. 1620

Republic of the Philippines Congress of the Philippines

Metro Manila Seventeenth Congress Third Regular Session

Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-third day of July, two thousand eighteen.

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11239]

ANACT ABOLISHING THE ROAD BOARD AND PROVIDING FOR THE DISPOSITION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE USER'S CHARGE COLLECTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8794, ENTITLED "AN ACT IMPOSING A MOTOR VEHICLE USER'S CHARGE ON OWNERS OF ALL TYPES OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

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

SECTION 1. Section 7 of Republic Act No. 8794 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 7. Disposition of Monies Collected. – All monies collected under this Act shall be remitted to the National Treasury under a special account in the General Fund to be earmarked solely for the

construction, upgrading, repair, and rehabilitation of roads, bridges, and road drainage to be included in the annual General Appropriations Act."

- SEC. 2. Section 8 of the same Act is hereby repealed.
- SEC. 3. Section 9 of the same Act is hereby renumbered as Section 8 and amended to read as follows:
 - "SEC. 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations. - The secretaries of the DBM, DPWH, and the DOTr, shall jointly, within thirty (30) days from the effectivity of this Act, and any amendments thereto, promulgate the rules and regulations to implement and carry out the intent, objectives, purposes, and provisions of this Act, as amended, including such structural and procedural improvements in the systems and agencies concerned as may be necessary to ensure the prudent, wise, effective, and efficient utilization of the special funds established under this Act, as amended."
- SEC. 4. The succeeding sections of the same Act are hereby renumbered accordingly.
- SEC. 5. Abolition of the Road Board. The Road Board created by Republic Act No. 8794 is hereby abolished.
- SEC. 6. Absorption of Affected Personnel, Separation and Retirement Benefits. - The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) shall, as needed, absorb the employees of the secretariat of the abolished Road Board, without diminution of their salaries and other benefits. Employees who are separated from the service as a result of the abolition of the Road Board and its secretariat shall receive separation benefits under the provisions of Republic Act No. 6656: Provided, That those who are qualified to retire under existing laws shall be allowed to retire and receive retirement benefits to which they may be entitled under applicable laws, rules and regulations.

- SEC. 7. Transfer of Rights, Assets, and Liabilities. The DPWH shall, by virtue of this Act, be subrogated to all the rights and assume all the obligations and liabilities of the Road Board, and all records, property, assets, equipment, and funds of the Road Board, including unexpended appropriations or allocations, shall be transferred to the DPWH.
- SEC. 8. Congressional Oversight Committee. There is hereby created a Congressional Oversight Committee to monitor the implementation of Republic Act No. 8794, as amended, and the use of the special funds established therein. The Committee shall be composed of five (5) Members of the House of Representatives and five (5) Senators to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate, respectively: Provided, That one (1) Member of the House of Representatives and one (1) Senator shall come from the Minority of each House of Congress. The Committee shall be jointly chaired by a Member of the House of Representatives and a Senator designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate, respectively.
- SEC. 9. Separability Clause. If any provision or part of this Act is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining parts or provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.
- SEC. 10. Repealing Clause. All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations, and other issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.
- SEC. 11. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.

President of the Senate

GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO Speaker of the House

of Representatives

This Act was passed by the House of Representatives as House Bill No. 7436 on January 21, 2019 and adopted by the Senate as an amendment to Senate Bill No. 1620 on January 22, 2019.

MYRA MARIE D. VILLARICA Secretary of the Senate

DANTE ROBERTO P. MALING Acting Secretary General House of Representatives

Approved: MAR 0 8 2019

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President of the Philippines



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