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REPRESENTATIVE DIVINA GRACE C. YU

Chairperson
Committee on the Welfare of Children
RVM Building, House of Representatives
Quezon City

Dear Chairperson Yu:

The Department of Social Welfare and Development supports House Bill Nos. 2235 and 3581 entitled: **An Act to Prohibit Unattended Children in Motor Vehicles**, introduced by Representatives Strike Revilla and Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, respectively.

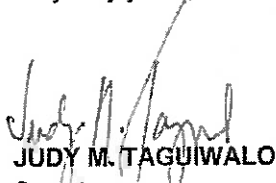
To contribute to the bills' enhancement, we are recommending the following:

1. To consolidate the two (2) bills into one.
2. On **Section 1** (Unattended Children in Motor Vehicles), to replace "a person who is fourteen years of age or older" with "**a person of legal age.**"
3. To indicate the **lead agency** responsible for the implementation and monitoring of this proposed measure.
4. To include a **Section** for the formulation of the **Implementing Rules and Regulations**.
5. As part of the **preventive measures to avoid motor vehicle incidents involving children**, the **conduct of public awareness campaigns** from national down to local levels should be one of the responsibilities of the concerned implementing agency.

For consideration of the Committee.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,


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Secretary