

Sixteenth Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Youth Congress

Y.C.B. No. 16- 01

1st Day, Second Regular Session, 2017

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To prohibit any business establishment from selling any item to minors after each Senatorial District's designated curfew hours; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SIXTEENTH COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANAS ISLANDS YOUTH CONGRESS:

1 **Section 1. Findings and Purpose.** The Youth Congress finds that
2 although Local Laws were enacted to establish curfew hours for minors, some
3 minors continue to violate the curfew hours. The Youth Congress finds that in
4 order to discourage minors from being out passed their curfew hours and to keep
5 them safe, business establishments must not sell any item after each Senatorial
6 District's designated curfew hours. Currently, curfew hours for the First
7 Senatorial District are between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m.; 11:00 p.m.
8 and 5:00 a.m. for the Second Senatorial District and 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. for
9 the Third Senatorial District.

10 The Youth Congress further finds that the protection of the youth is
11 paramount. Therefore, the Youth Congress believes that it is prudent not to allow
12 any business establishment from selling items to minors out passed their
13 designated curfew hours.

1 The purpose of this Act is to mandate all business establishments in the
2 Commonwealth from selling any item to minors after each Senatorial District’s
3 designated curfew hours.

4 **Section 2. Enactment.** Subject to the codification of the Law Revision
5 Commission the following is hereby enacted as follows:

6 “Section 101. Business Regulation. All business establishments in the
7 Commonwealth shall not sell any item to a minor after each Senatorial District’s
8 designated curfew hours.

9 Section 102. Penalty. Any business establishment that violates Section
10 101 of this Act shall be fined \$100.00 for the first offense; \$500.00 for the second
11 offense and \$1,000.00 for all subsequent offenses.”

12 **Section 3. Severability.** If any provisions of this Act or the application
13 of any such provision to any person or circumstance should be held invalid by a
14 court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Act or the application of its
15 provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid
16 shall not be affected thereby.

17 **Section 4. Savings Clause.** This Act and any repealer contained herein
18 shall not be construed as affecting any existing right acquired under contract or
19 acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation, or order adopted
20 under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding
21 instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of the Act shall not have

1 the effect of terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability, civil or criminal,
2 which shall already be in existence on the date this Act becomes effective.

3 **Section 5. Effective Date.** This Act shall take effect upon its approval by
4 the Governor, or its becoming law without such approval.

Prefiled: _____

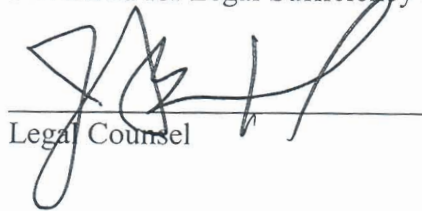
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Introduced By: _____



Sen. Kayjon Boadi

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