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**AN ACT**  
**ALLOWING AND REGULATING THE USE OF MOTORCYCLES AS PUBLIC UTILITY VEHICLES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4136, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC CODE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

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

1 Section. 1. *Short Title.* – This Act shall be known as "*The Motorcycles-for-*  
2 *Hire Act.*"

3 Sec. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – The State recognizes the role of safe, reliable,  
4 and affordable public transportation as a means to provide the people with a better  
5 standard of living, and an improved quality of life for all. Towards this end, the State  
6 hereby allows the use and regulation of motorcycles as an alternative mode of public  
7 transportation in order to provide convenience and ease of commute in urban and  
8 rural areas while ensuring public safety and efficiency of the transport system as a  
9 whole.

10 Sec. 3. Section 3 of Republic Act No. 4136, or the "*Land Transportation and*  
11 *Traffic Code*" is hereby amended as follows:

12 "Section 3. *Words and phrases defined.* – As used in this Act:

13 "(a) "Motor Vehicle" x x x

14 x x x

15 "(m) "Tourist" x x x

16 **(N) MOTORCYCLES-FOR-HIRE – SHALL MEAN ANY TWO-**  
17 **WHEELED MOTOR VEHICLE WHICH IS REGISTERED WITH THE**

1           **LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) WHICH TRANSPORTS**  
2           **PASSENGERS AND GOODS ON A FOR HIRE BASIS, AND WHICH**  
3           **MAY UTILIZE ONLINE RIDE HAILING OR PRE-ARRANGED**  
4           **TRANSPORTATION PLATFORMS: *PROVIDED, THAT THE***  
5           **MOTORCYCLE SHALL WEIGH LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND**  
6           **KILOGRAMS (1,000 KG), CAN TRAVEL FASTER THAN FIFTY**  
7           **KILOMETERS PER HOUR (50 KM/H), HAS A MINIMUM ENGINE**  
8           **DISPLACEMENT OF 125 CUBIC CENTIMETERS (125 CC), AND A**  
9           **BACKBONE TYPE BUILT.”**

10           Sec. 4. Section 7 (d) of Republic Act No. 4136 is hereby amended to read as  
11 follows:

12                   “Section 7. *Registration Classification.* – Every motor vehicle  
13 shall be registered under one of the following described classifications.

14                   (a)   xxx

15                   (b)   xxx

16                   (c)   xxx

17                   (d)   Public utility automobiles; (e) public utility trucks; (f)  
18 taxis and auto-calesas; (g) garage automobiles; (h) hire trucks; ~~[and]~~  
19 (j) trucks owned by contractor and customs brokers and customs  
20 agents ~~[-]~~; **AND (K) MOTORCYCLES-FOR-HIRE.** Application for  
21 registration under these classifications shall be accompanied by a  
22 certificate of public convenience or a special permit issued by the  
23 ~~[Public—Services—Commission]~~   **LAND TRANSPORTATION**  
24 **FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD (LTFRB)**, and motor  
25 vehicles registered under these classifications shall be subject to the  
26 Public Services Law, rules and regulations, as well as the provisions of  
27 this Act.

28                   xxx.”

29           Sec. 5. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The Secretary of  
30 Transportation shall, within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act,  
31 promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for its proper implementation.

1           Sec. 6. *Separability Clause.* – If any part or provision of this Act is declared  
2 invalid, the remaining provision shall remain valid and in effect.

3           Sec. 7. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, executive issuances, rules and  
4 regulations contrary or inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, modified, or  
5 amended accordingly.

6           Sec. 8. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after  
7 publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general  
8 circulation.

Approved,