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AN ACT
GRANTING FULL INSURANCE COVERAGE TO ALL QUALIFIED AGRARIAN REFORM BENEFICIARIES OF THE COMPREHENSIVE AGRARIAN REFORM PROGRAM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6657, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9700, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "COMPREHENSIVE AGRARIAN REFORM LAW OF 1988"

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

1 **SECTION 1.** Section 37 of Republic Act No. 6657, as amended, is hereby further
2 amended to read as follows:

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4 “SEC. 37. Support Services for the Agrarian Reform Beneficiaries. – The
5 State shall adopt the integrated policy of support services delivery to
6 agrarian reform beneficiaries. To this end, the DAR, the Department of
7 Finance, and the *Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas* shall institute reforms to
8 liberalize access to credit by agrarian reform beneficiaries. The PARC
9 shall ensure that support services for agrarian reform beneficiaries are
10 provided, such as:

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12 “(a) x x x ;

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14 “(e) x x x; **[and]**

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16 “(f) x x x

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18 “The Bagong Kilusang Kabuhayan sa Kaunlaran (BKKK) Secretariat shall
19 be transferred and attached to the LBP, for its supervision including all its
20 applicable and existing funds, personnel, properties, equipment and
21 records. [.] **AND**

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23 **“(G) FULL INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR COMPENSABLE LOSSES**
24 **TO ALL QUALIFIED AGRARIAN REFORM BENEFICIARIES, WHO**
25 **ARE ACTUALLY TILLING THE LAND.**

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27 **THE DAR SHALL PROVIDE THE PROCEDURES FOR SUCH**
28 **REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATION OF ACTUAL BENEFICIARIES**
29 **AND FARMING INVESTMENTS AND PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN BY**
30 **SUCH. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, “QUALIFIED AGRARIAN**
31 **REFORM BENEFICIARIES” SHALL BE AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(b)**
32 **OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10000, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “AGRI-**
33 **AGRA REFORM CREDIT ACT OF 2009”.**

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35 **COMPENSABLE LOSSES INCLUDE THOSE RESULTING FROM:**

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37 i. **NATURAL CALAMITIES SUCH AS TYPHOON, FLOOD,**
38 **DROUGHT, EARTHQUAKE, VOLCANIC ERUPTION,**
39 **FROST, AND OTHER DESTRUCTIVE NATURAL**
40 **PHENOMENA SUCH AS HEAT AND HOT WIND;**
41 ii. **PLANT DISEASES CAUSED BY PATHOGENS,**
42 **BACTERIA, FUNGI, VIRUSES, VIRUS-LIKE**
43 **PATHOGENS, AND OTHER SIMILAR FOREIGN BODIES;**

- 1 iii. **PEST INFESTATIONS CAUSED BY NEMATODES,**
- 2 **INSECTS, MITES AND SPIDERS, MILLIPEDES AND**
- 3 **CENTIPEDES, SYMPHYLANS, SLUGS AND SNAILS,**
- 4 **SOW BUGS AND PILLBUGS, PARASITIC HIGHER**
- 5 **PLANTS, AND OTHER PARASITES; AND**
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- 7 iv. **LOSS OF LIFE OR INJURY TO THE QUALIFIED**
- 8 **AGRARIAN REFORM BENEFICIARY DUE TO ACCIDENT**
- 9 **OR ANY OF THE AFOREMENTIONED CAUSES.**

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11 **“THE FOLLOWING CROPS AND OTHER FARMING AND FISHERY**

12 **PRODUCE ARE COVERED:**

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- 14 i. **PALAY, CORN, SUGARCANE, HIGH-VALUE CROPS AS**
- 15 **DEFINED IN SECTION 4(b) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7900,**
- 16 **OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ‘HIGH-VALUE CROPS**
- 17 **DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1995’, COCONUT, TOBACCO;**
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- 19 ii. **CROPS OR STOCKS IN FISHERIES FARMS;**
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- 21 iii. **LIVESTOCK; AND**
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- 23 iv. **NON-CROP AGRICULTURAL ASSETS USED IN ACTUAL**
- 24 **FARMING AND REPORTED TO AND CERTIFIED BY THE**
- 25 **DAR.**

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27 “Misuse or diversion of the financial and support services herein provided

28 shall result in sanctions against the beneficiary guilty thereof, including the

29 forfeiture of the land transferred to him/her or lesser sanctions as may be

30 provided by the PARC, without prejudice to criminal prosecution.

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32 **“THE SECRETARY OF THE DA AND THE SECRETARY OF THE DAR**

33 **SHALL IMMEDIATELY INCLUDE IN THEIR DEPARTMENTS’**

34 **PROGRAMS THE OPERATIONALIZATION OF THIS INSURANCE**

35 **COVERAGE, THE INITIAL FUNDING FOR WHICH SHALL BE**

36 **CHARGED AGAINST THE CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS OF THE**

37 **PHILIPPINE CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION (PCIC) FOR THE**

38 **REGISTERED BENEFICIARIES UNDER THE RSBSA. THEREAFTER,**

39 **PROJECTIONS OF THE ANNUAL PREMIUM REQUIREMENT SHALL**

40 **BE SUBMITTED BY THE PCIC AND THE DAR TO THE PRESIDENT**

41 **WHO SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL GENERAL**

42 **APPROPRIATIONS ACT THE NECESSARY BUDGET FOR THE**

43 **INSURANCE COVERAGE MANDATED IN THIS ACT: PROVIDED,**

44 **THAT IN CASE OF INSUFFICIENCY OF THE INITIAL FUND TO COVER**

45 **ALL QUALIFIED ARBS AND LEASEHOLDERS, COVERAGE SHALL**

46 **BE PRIORITIZED IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER: FIFTY PERCENT**

1 (50%) TO THOSE NEWLY INSTALLED AND QUALIFIED ARBS WITH
2 ISSUED CERTIFICATE OF LANDOWNERSHIP AWARDS (CLOAs) OR
3 LEASEHOLD INSTRUMENTS, IN DESCENDING CHRONOLOGICAL
4 ORDER; AND THE REMAINING FIFTY PERCENT (50%) TO THOSE
5 EARLIEST INSTALLED AND QUALIFIED ARBs WITH ISSUED
6 EMANCIPATION PATENTS / CLOAs OR LEASEHOLD
7 INSTRUMENTS, IN ASCENDING CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER;
8 *PROVIDED FURTHER*, THAT ADDITIONAL QUALIFIED ARBs AND
9 LEASEHOLDERS SHALL BE COVERED YEARLY BASED ON
10 ANNUAL PROJECTIONS, AND IN THE SAME MANNER AS
11 PROVIDED, UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT ALL QUALIFIED ARBS AND
12 LEASEHOLDERS ARE COVERED UNDER THIS ACT.

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14 “FURTHER, A CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE FOR THE
15 FULL INSURANCE COVERAGE OF AGRARIAN REFORM
16 BENEFICIARIES (COFCICARB) IS HEREBY CREATED. IT SHALL BE
17 COMPOSED OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON
18 AGRARIAN REFORM OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND
19 THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FOOD
20 AND AGRARIAN REFORM OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES,
21 THREE (3) MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND
22 THREE (3) MEMBERS OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES, TO BE
23 DESIGNATED RESPECTIVELY BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF
24 REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE OF THE
25 PHILIPPINES.”

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27 **SEC. 2.** Within thirty (30) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DAR, shall, in
28 coordination with the Land Bank of the Philippines submit to the Department of Agriculture
29 (DA), the complete list of qualified ARBs and leaseholders to be included in the Registry
30 System for Basic Sectors in Agriculture (RSBSA), their respective locations, and size of
31 landholdings.

32 **SEC. 3.** Within thirty (30) days from the approval of this Act, the DAR, shall, in coordination
33 with the DA, PCIC, and Department of Budget and Management, issue the rules and
34 regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

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36 **SEC. 4.** All laws, acts, decrees, executive orders, issuances, and rules and regulations
37 or parts thereof which are contrary to and inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed,
38 amended, or modified accordingly.

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

Approved,