



63rd Regular Session

ORDINANCE NO. SP-1257, S-2003

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING PRIVATE ROOMS AND/OR VIP ROOMS IN NIGHT CLUBS, KARAOKE BARS DISCOS AND OTHER SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS TO HAVE LOCKLESS DOORS, CLEAR AND TRANSPARENT WINDOWS.

Introduced by Councilors FRANZ S. PUMAREN,
JULIAN M.L. COSETENG, ELIZABETH A.
DELARMENTE, WENCEROM BENEDICT C.
LAGUMBAY.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Vincent P. Crisologo,
Jesus Manuel C. Suntay and Restituto B.
Malañgen.

WHEREAS, there is a need to regulate the design of these private and/or VIP rooms to lessen, if not prevent, such reported incidents, and protect the welfare and morals of the inhabitants of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY
IN SESSION ASSEMBLED:

SECTION 1. A private, function or VIP room shall refer to any enclosure within the night club, karaoke bar, disco and other similar establishments wherein customers and guests of the establishments may, for a fee, entertain or be entertained separately from the other customers and guests in a more or less private surrounding.

SECTION 2. The door to such private, function or VIP room shall neither have any lock nor other device that would prevent ingress into such room.

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SECTION 3. The private function or VIP room shall have a window from the corridor looking into the interior of the room. The window shall be made of clear and transparent material. The window shall be positioned so as to provide a person of average height while standing up, a reasonably clear view of the whole interior of the room unobstructed by any cover, curtain, blind, dividers or any other similar devices.

SECTION 4. Night clubs, karaoke bars, discos and other similar establishments that have existing private, function, VIP rooms and other similar rooms shall comply with this ordinance within thirty (30) days from its effective date.

SECTION 5. The Building Official shall not approve applications for the construction of private, function, VIP rooms and other similar rooms in night clubs, karaoke bars, discos and other similar establishments unless the requirements of this ordinance are met.

SECTION 6. No business permit for the operation of a night club, karaoke bar, disco, or other similar establishments shall be issued unless the requirements of this ordinance are met.

SECTION 7. Failure of the night club, karaoke bar, disco, or other similar establishments to comply with this ordinance shall result in the immediate suspension of the establishment's business permit and the same shall not be allowed to operate until it complies with this ordinance.

SECTION 8. Any person violating this ordinance shall be liable to a fine of five thousand pesos (P5,000.00), or imprisonment of one (1) year, or both, at the discretion of the Court. If the violation is committed by a corporation, partnership or other juridical entity, the manager, managing partner, or any person responsible for the management of the same shall be held liable therefor.

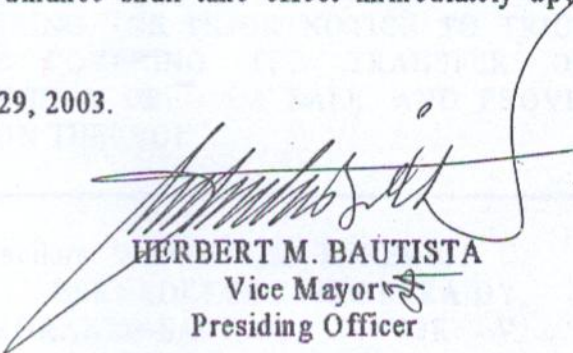
SECTION 9. Separability Clause. In the event that any part or portion of this measure shall be proven contrary to law or the Constitution, all other parts which may stand independently of the same shall remain valid and in force.

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SECTION 10. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

ENACTED: April 29, 2003.



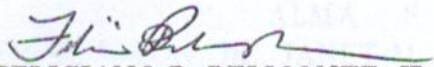
HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:



EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary


APPROVED: June 20, 2002



FELICIANO R. BELMONTE, JR.
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance which was APPROVED on Second Reading on April 29, 2003, was finally PASSED on Third Reading by the City Council on May 13, 2003.



EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary