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H. No. 5185
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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8368

AN ACT REPEALING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 772,
ENTITLED 'PENALIZING SQUATTING AND OTHER
SIMILAR ACTS'

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

SECTION 1. *Title.* – This Act shall be known as the "Anti-Squatting Law Repeal Act of 1997."

SEC. 2. *Repeal.* – Presidential Decree No. 772, entitled "Penalizing Squatting and Other Similar Acts" is hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. *Effect on Pending Cases.* – All pending cases under the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 772 shall be dismissed upon the effectivity of this Act.

SEC. 4. *Effect on Republic Act No. 7279.* – Nothing herein shall be construed to nullify, eliminate or diminish in any way Section 27 of Republic Act No. 7279 or any of its provisions relative to sanctions against professional squatters and squatting syndicates.

SEC. 5. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect thirty (30) days after its publication in two (2) newspapers of national circulation.

Approved, October 27, 1997.