



## **ARTA lauds Manila LGU for BOSS Initiative, urges everyone to follow**

The Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA) commends Manila City Mayor Francisco “Isko Moreno” Domagoso, for issuing an Executive Order that effectively puts up a Business One Stop Shop (BOSS) within the City of Manila.

Executive Order No. 08., series of 2019 or “An Order Promoting Ease of Doing Business in the City of Manila and Establishing a Year Round Business One Stop Shop (BOSS)” was signed by Mayor Isko Moreno last July 8, 2018 in compliance with RA 11032 or the “Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act of 2018”.

RA 11032 requires every City/Municipality to have a BOSS which is a One-Stop business facilitation service within the local government unit where business permitting and licensing processes can be done. The law also mandates for a single or unified business application form which consolidates all the information of the applicant instead of a multiple forms system for different departments. Ultimately the law mandates for the automation of all business permits and licensing in all Cities and Municipalities within 3 years from the passage of the law or in 2021.

Manila’s BOSS initiative will streamline the issuance of local business license, clearances, permits, certification and authorizations, as well as manage the flow of documents to cut down their business process from eight (8) days or more to one (1) day only.

Just this Wednesday, July 17, ARTA, DTI, and CSC finalized and signed the IRR of the law, setting the stage for the full implementation of the landmark legislation which is critical to the President’s core agenda and commitment to improve the ease of doing business and cut red-tape in the bureaucracy.

The reforms and on-going cleaning up of the City Manila initiated by Mayor Isko Moreno has ignited a national excitement and spurred imagination on what can be accomplished if leaders would exercise political will and have a genuine concern for the well-being of the people.

Rightly so, the good Mayor’s promulgation of E.O. 08 to conform with the Business One Stop Shop (BOSS) mandate and standard of RA 11032, is yet another testament to his no non-sense dedication to finding ways to help people, and in this case, by cutting red tape within their business permit and licensing system.

We are therefore calling on all Local Government Units, more especially all Local Chief Executives, to follow the lead of Mayor Isko Moreno and streamline and reengineer their processes and automate their systems in compliance with RA 11032.

This law, once fully implemented, will vastly improve the quality of lives of every Filipino. ARTA urges everyone to get to know RA 11032 and its IRR to learn about their rights and responsibilities. A copy of the law and its signed IRR is available on our official website: [www.arta.gov.ph](http://www.arta.gov.ph)



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