LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

LAW No. 1,377

PROVIDING FOR THE FREE ISSUANCE OF BIRTH CERTIFICATES AND CIVIL IDENTITY CARDS

THE CONGRESS OF THE PARAGUAYAN NATION ENACTS WITH THE FORCE OF LAW

Article 1.—To provide, for persons of Paraguayan nationality, the following documents free of charge:

a) registration in the Civil Registry;
b) the issuance of a birth certificate; and,
c) the issuance of a Civil Identity Card to those who apply for it for the first time.

Article 2.—Signs indicating the provisions of the preceding article shall be posted in the offices responsible for issuing these documents.

Article 3.— The Executive Branch shall provide the necessary funds from the General National Budget.

Article 4.—The fine established in Article 14, subsection (a), of Law No. 1266/87, "On the Civil Registry," as amended by Law No. 82/91, and all provisions contrary to this law are hereby repealed.

Article 5.—This Act shall be communicated to the Executive Branch.

The Bill was approved by the Honorable Chamber of Deputies on the first day of September, one thousand nine hundred ninety-eight, and by the Honorable Chamber of Senators on the third day of December, one thousand nine hundred ninety-eight. Vetoed in its entirety by the Executive Branch on December 18, 1998; the original enactment was upheld by the Honorable Chamber of Deputies on April 6, 1999, and by the Honorable Chamber of Senators on June 3, 1999.

Blás Antonio Llano Ramos
President
Honorable Chamber of Deputies

Juan Carlos Galaverna D.
President
Honorable Senate

Rolando José Duarte
Parliamentary Secretary

Manlio Medina Cáceres
Parliamentary Secretary

Asunción, June 16, 1999

Let this be a Law of the Republic; let it be published and entered into the Official Register.

The President of the Republic,

Luis Angel González Macchi

Walter Hugo Bower Montalto
Minister of the Interior

rdl