

(S.B. 2151)

**(No. 65)**

(Approved April 11, 2000)

## **AN ACT**

To amend subsection (b) of Section 6A of Act No. 72 of August 29, 1990, in order to add Holy Friday as an official holiday to be observed by the officials or employees of agencies, departments, instrumentalities, or public corporations of the Government of Puerto Rico that have offices outside of Puerto Rico.

### **STATEMENT OF MOTIVES**

On August 29, 1990, the Legislature approved Act No. 72 of August 29, 1990, in order to establish that the employees of the Puerto Rico Federal Affairs Administration shall keep the official holidays that have been, and are adopted by law and by presidential proclamations for the employees of the Federal Government, in lieu of those declared and observed in Puerto Rico. The purpose of this determination was to enable and promote the best adaptation possible of the Administration to the operational realities that surround it. However, in order to achieve a proper harmony with the holidays commonly observed in Puerto Rico, January 6 and July 25 were, at the same time incorporated to these official holidays in the Federal Government. Holy Friday, in turn, is a legal holiday in Puerto Rico, that is very much affixed in the customs and the culture of the Puerto Rican people, which is why we understand that it is necessary to incorporate it as an official holiday to be observed by the employees of the Puerto Rico Federal Affairs Administration.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF PUERTO RICO:**

Section 1.- Subsection (b) of Section 6A of Act No. 72 of August 29, 1990, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 6A.- Official Holidays

(a) ...

(b) Furthermore, January 6, Holy Friday, and July 25 shall also be official holidays.

(c) ...”

Section 2.- This Act shall take effect immediately after its approval.

## CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify to the Secretary of State that the following Act No. 65 (S.B. 2151) of the 7<sup>th</sup> Session of the 13<sup>th</sup> Legislature of Puerto Rico:

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has been translated from Spanish to English and that the English version is correct.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, today 18<sup>th</sup> of August of 2003.

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Director