

Tentative Translation

Advertisement by Using Sound Amplifiers Control Act B.E. 2493

In the name of His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej

HRH Prince Rangsit Prayurasakdi, Prince of Chainat

Regent

Given on the 30th of January B.E. 2493;

Being the 5th Year of the Present Regin

Whereas it is appropriate to control the advertisement by using sound amplifiers and as the advertisements shall be advertised in Thai

Be it, therefore, enacted by the King, and by the advice and consent of the Parliament, as follows:

Section 1 This Act is called the “Advertisement by Using Sound Amplifiers Control Act B.E. 2493.”

Section 2¹ This Act shall come into force in Phra Nakorn Province and Thonburi Province from the day following the date of its publication in the Government Gazette. For other localities, this Act shall come into force by the declaration of a Royal Decree.

Section 3 In this Act, “Advertisement” means to inform, report, explain, recommend, or express opinions to the public

Section 4 Whosoever intends to advertise by using electric sound amplifiers shall apply for a licence from the competent official and shall be permitted to advertise after receiving such permission.

The competent official shall issue licences to applicants and have the power to impose conditions on licences for the timing, place and amplifying equipment, which the licensee shall observe such conditions.

¹ Published in the Government Gazette, Vol 67, Part 8, Page 178/7, dated 7 February 2493

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Section 5 Licences issued by the competent official in accordance with this Act shall cover the persons who use sound and the persons who operate the sound amplifiers, who shall also observe the conditions imposed on such licences.

Section 6 The competent official or Administrative Officials or Senior-level Police Officers pursuant to the Criminal Procedure Code shall have the power to order the persons who use sound or the persons who operate the amplifying equipment to reduce the sound level if such advertisement causes public nuisance.

If an advertisement is non-compliance with the conditions imposed on the licence or the advertiser fails to comply with the competent official orders pursuant to the preceding paragraph, the competent official shall have the power to order a termination of such advertisement.

Section 7 Advertisement by using sound amplifiers shall be advertised in Thai
“Thai” also includes certain local languages used in Thailand

Section 8 This Act shall not cover advertisements which are;

1. of religious teaching
2. of government agencies
3. election campaigns for members of the House of Representatives, Provincial Council or Municipal Council elections, which is advertised in Thai.
4. for the affairs of the member of the Senate, House of Representatives, Provincial Council or Municipal Council, which is advertised by themselves in Thai.
5. for entertainment affairs, exclusively in theatres and during performances
6. for the activities of juristic persons, which its purpose is for charity and the advertisement is advertised in Thai.

Section 9 Whosoever violates section 4 or section 5 or the competent official orders pursuant to section 6 shall be liable for a fine not exceeding two hundred baht and the competent official shall have the power to revoke such licenses.

Any person who violates section 7 shall be liable for imprisonment for a term not exceeding one month or for a fine not exceeding five hundred Bath or both. In this case, the competent official shall revoke such licenses.

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Section 10 the Prime minister and the Minister of Interior shall be in charge in accordance with this Act and shall have the power to appoint competent officials and issue Ministerial Regulations

1. Impose fees for each licence, which shall not exceed 100 Baht.
2. Impose other matters to proceed in accordance with this Act.

The Ministerial Regulation shall be enforceable after its publication in the Government Gazette

Countersigned by:

Field Marshall P. Phibunsongkram

Prime Minister

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