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Introduced by Sen. Vicente C. Sotto III

## RESOLUTION

TO RENAME THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND ILLEGAL DRUGS TO COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 13 (32) RULE X OF THE SENATE RULES

Whereas, an Ad Hoc Committee on Illegal Drugs was created during the 10<sup>th</sup> Congress that later on became part of the regular standing committees of the Senate known as the Committee on Public Order and Illegal Drugs to address, among others, the mounting concerns and harm that drug addiction brings to the well-being of the people and society;

Whereas, matters and issues pertaining to illegal drug addiction have evolved over the years such that not all dangerous drugs and other related substances that became one of the major root causes of menace in the society, have been considered as illegal drugs;

Whereas, in conformity with internationally accepted standards and to heighten awareness in the battle against drug abuse, it is relevant that all stakeholders and programs shall be aligned toward a single direction;

Whereas, the proposal to change the title of the subject committee will be consistent with the Senate Rules which describes the committee to have jurisdiction over significant matters and wide-array of issues on illegal, prohibited, regulated and other substances of drugs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved to rename the Senate Committee on Public Order and Illegal Drugs to Committee on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs, amending for the purpose section 13 (32) rule X of the Senate rules to read as follows:

"SEC. 13. After the organization of the Senate in the manner provided in Rule IX, the following permanent committees shall be formed, with the duties, powers and general jurisdiction specified hereunder:

1)Committee on Rules. – XXX

2) Committee on Ethics and Privileges. - XXX

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32) COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS. Nine (9) members. All matters relating to peace and order; the Philippine National Police; the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology; the Bureau of Fire Protection; private security agencies; the use, sale, acquisition, possession, cultivation, manufacture and distribution of prohibited and regulated drugs and other similar substances as provided for under pertinent laws, and the prosecution of offenders, rehabilitation of drug users and dependents, including the formulation of drug-related policies.

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Adopted,

CENTE C. SOTTO III

Senator,