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CALL TO ORDER

At 3:05 p.m., the Senate President, Hon. Franklin M. Drilon, called the session to order.

PRAYER

Sen. Jinggoy Estrada led the prayer, to wit:

Ilagay natin ang ating mga sarili sa presensya ng Panginoon ng pagmamahal at katarungan.

Panginoon naming makapangyarihan, narito po kami at muling nagsusumamo na basbasan Mo at pagyamanin ang lahat ng aming ginagawa.

Inilalagay po namin ang aming sarili at gawain sa Iyong mga kamay at pagkalinga. Gabayan po Ninyo ang bawat isa sa amin upang maging matatag, maunawain at manatiling walang bahid ng pag-iimbot, galit at panghuhusga sa kapwa.

Nawa'y lagi naming ituon ang aming pansin sa totoong gawain at huwag naming hayaang mahati at malamatan ang aming samahan ng pulitika, ng ambisyon at ng personal na pagkakaiba.

Sa mga susunod na sesyon nawa'y isipin namin ang kapakanan ng sambayanan at bigyang halaga at prayoridad ang pag-akda ng mga batas na magbibigay ng luwag at pag-unlad sa mama-

mayang Pilipino na ngayon ay tigmak ng pagdurusa at lubog sa kahirapan.

Sa Inyo po, Panginoon, inilalagay namin ang kapakanan ng aming bansa at ang mga gawain namin sa Mataas na Kapulungan at sa Inyo rin ang aming pagtatagumpay. Salamat po, mahal naming Panginoon. Purihin Kayo ng sanlibutan.

Amen.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The FEU-NRMF Medicine Chorale Symphopella led the singing of the national anthem and thereafter rendered a medley of contemporary Philippine songs.

ROLL CALL

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary of the Senate, Atty. Oscar G. Yabes, called the roll, to which the following senators responded:

Angara, S.	Honasan, G. B.
Aquino, P. B. IV B.	Lapid, M. L. M.
Binay, M. L. N. S.	Legarda, L.
Cayetano, A. P. C. S.	Osmeña III, S. R.
Cayetano, P. S.	Pimentel III, A. K.
Drilon, F. M.	Poe, G.
Ejercito, J. V. G.	Recto, R. G.
Enrile, J. P.	Revilla Jr., R. B.
Estrada, J.	Sotto III, V. C.
Guingona III, T. L.	Villar, C. A.

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With 20 senators present, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum.

Senator Escudero arrived after the roll call.

Senator Marcos was on official mission.

Senator Defensor Santiago was on sick leave.

Senator Trillanes was absent.

DEFERMENT OF THE APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

Upon motion of Senator Cayetano (A), there being no objection, the Body deferred the consideration and approval of the Journal of Session No. 56 (February 19, 2014) to a later hour.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

The Secretary of the Senate read the following matters and the Chair made the corresponding referrals:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

Senate Bill No. 2126, entitled

AN ACT DECLARING THE COCONUT LEVY FUNDS AS PUBLIC FUNDS, AUTHORIZING THE PRIVATIZATION AND MANAGEMENT OFFICE TO DISPOSE THE COCONUT LEVY ASSETS, ESTABLISHING THE COCONUT FARMERS AND INDUSTRY FUND, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Cynthia A. Villar

To the Committees on Agriculture and Food; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 2127, entitled

AN ACT INCREASING THE BURIAL ASSISTANCE FOR VETERANS FROM TEN THOUSAND (P10,000.00) TO THIRTY THOUSAND PESOS (P30,000.00), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6948,

AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT STANDARDIZING AND UPGRADING THE BENEFITS FOR MILITARY VETERANS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS

Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

To the Committee on National Defense and Security

Senate Bill No. 2128, entitled

AN ACT DECRIMINALIZING LIBEL, REPEALING FOR THIS PURPOSE ARTICLE 355 OF THE REVISED PENAL CODE, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE

Introduced by Senator Guingona III

To the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Public Information and Mass Media

Senate Bill No. 2129, entitled

AN ACT MANDATING THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE PROVIDERS TO SEND FREE MOBILE ALERTS IN THE EVENT OF NATURAL AND MAN-MADE DISASTERS AND CALAMITIES

Introduced by Senator Grace Poe

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 2130, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING THE SECRETARY OF FINANCE AND THE GOVERNOR OF THE BANGKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS TO APPEAR BEFORE CONGRESS QUARTERLY TO REPORT ON THE STATUS AND DIRECTIONS OF THE FISCAL AND MONETARY POLICIES OF THE STATE

Introduced by Senator Joseph Victor Ejercito

To the Committees on Finance; and Economic Affairs

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Senate Bill No. 2131, entitled

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE UTILIZATION PERIOD OF THE AGRICULTURAL COMPETITIVENESS ENHANCEMENT FUND, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8178, AS AMENDED ENTITLED AN ACT REPLACING QUANTITATIVE IMPORT RESTRICTIONS ON AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, EXCEPT RICE, WITH TARIFFS, CREATING THE AGRICULTURAL COMPETITIVENESS ENHANCEMENT FUND AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committees on Agriculture and Food; and Finance

RESOLUTIONS

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 516, entitled

RESOLUTION NAMING THREE NEW SENATE COMMITTEE ROOMS IN HONOR OF THE FOLLOWING PAST SENATE PRESIDENTS, NAMELY: SENATOR NEPTALI ALVARO GONZALES, SENATOR MARCELO BRIONES FERNAN, AND SENATOR BLAS FAJARDO OPLE

Introduced by Senator Sotto III

To the Committee on Rules

Proposed Senate Resolution Res. No. 517, entitled

RESOLUTION COMMENDING FILIPINO FIGURE SKATER MICHAEL CHRISTIAN MARTINEZ FOR MAKING HISTORY AS THE FIRST FILIPINO AND SOUTHEAST ASIAN TO QUALIFY FOR THE WINTER OLYMPICS IN SOCHI, RUSSIA, RAISING THE PHILIPPINE FLAG IN THE GLOBAL SPORTING EVENT WITH COURAGE AND BRINGING HONOR TO A TROPICAL NATION IN A SPORT HARDLY KNOWN TO MOST FILIPINOS

Introduced by Senator Grace Poe

To the Committee on Rules

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

BILLS ON FIRST READING

Senate Bill No. 2132, entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A COASTAL CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION PROGRAM

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Climate Change; and Local Government

Senate Bill No. 2133, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE GREEN BUILDING CODE COMMISSION TO DRAFT THE NATIONAL GREEN BUILDING CODE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Works; and Environment and Natural Resources

RESOLUTION

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 518, entitled

URGENT RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE TO IMMEDIATELY SUMMON AS RESOURCE PERSON TO THE ONGOING PROBE INTO THE PORK BARREL SCAM, THE APPLICANT FOR STATE WITNESS DENNIS CUNANAN, FORMER HEAD OF THE TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE CENTER

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Accountability of Public Officers and Investigations

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Report No. 14, prepared and submitted jointly by the Committees on Cooperatives; Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Finance, on Senate Bill No. 2134, with Senators

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Lapid, Marcos Jr. and the members of the Committees as authors thereof, entitled

AN ACT REORGANIZING THE COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6939, CREATING THE COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY,

recommending its approval in substitution for Senate Bill Nos. 89, 263 and 424.

Sponsors: Senators Lapid and Marcos Jr.

To the Calendar for Ordinary Business

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Upon motion of Senator Cayetano (A), the session was suspended.

It was 3:18 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 3:22 p.m., the session was resumed.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE PRESENCE OF GUESTS

At this juncture, Senator Cayetano (A) acknowledged the presence in the gallery of the following guests:

- Students of Don Bosco Academy, Mabalacat, Pampanga, with the high school faculty led by Mr. Bart Calinawan;
- Students of Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila, led by Dr. Conchita V. Yumol, Ms. Socorro Siping and Ms. Merced;
- Students of Palawan State University, headed by Ms. Flordeliz R. Jusol; and
- Delegates from the English Language Society of University of Santo Tomas, led by Asst. Professor Sheila Gabe, Mr. Nilo Tamayo, Mr. Randy Briones and Mr. Jo Nolasco.

Senate President Drilon welcomed the guests to the Senate.

APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL AS CORRECTED

Upon motion of Senator Cayetano (A), there being no objection, the Body dispensed with the reading of the Journal of Session No. 56 (February 19, 2014) and considered it approved, subject to the following corrections made by Senator Sotto: on page 1027, second column, second to the last paragraph, the last sentence should read: **HE INSISTED THAT IF, INDEED, CBD HAS MEDICAL BENEFITS, THEN CBD SHOULD BE THE ONLY ONE LEGALIZED AND ONLY FOR MEDICAL PURPOSES AND THE WIDESPREAD USE AND CULTIVATION OF MARIJUANA SHOULD REMAIN ILLEGAL.**

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL NO. 2046 ON THIRD READING

Upon motion of Senator Cayetano (A), there being no objection, the Body considered, on Third Reading, Senate Bill No. 2046, printed copies of which were distributed to the senators on February 20, 2014.

Pursuant to Section 67, Rule XXIII of the Rules of the Senate, upon motion of Senator Cayetano (A), there being no objection, Secretary Yabes read only the title of the bill, to wit:

AN ACT PROMOTING JOB GENERATION AND INCLUSIVE GROWTH BY PROVIDING INCENTIVES AND BENEFITS TO THE MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES.

Secretary Yabes called the roll for nominal voting.

RESULT OF THE VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

In favor

Angara	Guingona
Aquino	Honasan
Binay	Lapid
Cayetano (A)	Osmeña
Cayetano (P)	Pimentel
Drilon	Poe
Ejercito	Recto
Enrile	Revilla
Escudero	Sotto
Estrada	Villar

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Against

None

Abstention

None

With 20 senators voting in favor, none against, and no abstention, the Chair declared Senate Bill No. 2046 approved on Third Reading.

MANIFESTATION OF SENATOR AQUINO

Senator Aquino thanked the senators for voting in favor of the *Go Negosyo* Act of 2013 which, he believed, would support the government's drive for inclusive growth and more jobs. Likewise, he expressed gratitude to the cosponsors and to those who proposed amendments.

Further, he manifested that all the senators would be provided with a corrected copy of the bill in view of a few typographical errors which would be corrected during the bicameral conference.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Upon motion of Senator Cayetano (A), the session was suspended.

It was 3:29 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 3:40 p.m., the session was resumed.

MANIFESTATION OF SENATOR CAYETANO (A)

Senator Cayetano (A) informed the Body that he met with the Majority Floor Leader of the House of Representatives to deliver the message of Senate President Drilon regarding the priority measures of the individual senators, and the Senate as a whole. He said that a few days after, on February 6, the Senate President Pro Tempore, Majority Leader, Minority Leader and the Deputy Minority Leader met with the House Speaker, Majority Floor Leader and Minority Leader and the staff of both Houses. He said that both Houses agreed to meet again on the first week of March and every month thereafter to discuss issues and priority bills to speed up much-needed legislation.

In drawing up an initial list, Senator Cayetano (A) stated that the Senate was able to identify 37 measures based on the matrix provided by the House of Representatives which showed bills that are prioritized by Malacañang, the Legislative-Executive Development Advisory Council (LEDAC), the business community, the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Senator Cayetano (A) enumerated the priority bills, as follows:

Anti-Corruption or Good Governance

- Freedom of Information (FOI) Act
- Whistleblowers' Protection Act
- Witness Protection Act Amendment
- Amendments to Sandiganbayan Charter

Ways and Means

- 13th Month Pay Tax Exemption

Finance and Investment

- Fiscal Incentives Rationalization
- Build-Operate-Transfer Law Amendment
- Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Charter Amendment
- Customs Modernization and Tariff Act

Health

- Regulation of Water Utilities
- HIV and AIDS Prevention, Treatment, Care and Support
- Picture-Based Health Warning

Education

- National Student Loan Program
- Open High School System for Out-of-School Youth
- Ladderized Education Program
- Open Learning through Distance Education in Post Secondary and Tertiary Levels

Trade

- Cabotage Law Amendment
- Anti-Trust

- Promote Micro-Enterprise Development Institutions
- Consumer Protection

Governance

- Land Use Policy
- Land Administration Reform
- Acquisition of Right of Way of Government Infrastructure Projects
- Rationalization of Mining Revenues
- Emergency Management Response Agency
- NFA Reforms
- Department of Information and Communications Technology Bill

Civil Service

- Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) and Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) Charter amendments

Environment

- Defining Forest Boundaries

Energy

- EPIRA amendment on energy efficiency and conservation

Human Rights

- Children in Situations of Armed Conflict
- Internal Displacement Act
- Magna Carta for the Poor

Peace

- Bangsamoro Basic Law

Peace and Order

- Strengthening of Anti-Illegal Drugs Laws

Local Government

- Barangay Officials Welfare
- SK Reform

Senator Cayetano (A) clarified that the list was not exclusive and that Senate President Drilon, in fact, made it clear to the members of the House of Representatives that the Senate was still collating and would soon articulate in the next meeting the individual priorities of each senator which will be promoted as the priorities of the Senate which he hoped would be adopted by the House of Representatives. In like manner, he noted that the House of Representatives is proposing charter change on economic provisions, and the Senate President has articulated that the Senate will wait for the results of this proposal from the House of Representatives and would not make any judgment yet because there has not been any consensus from the Senate to either support or go against charter change at the moment.

He gave assurance that the Members would be updated on the developments regarding these issues in the next meeting. He also reminded the senators who are interested in submitting their priority bills that they have until next week to do so.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Upon motion of Senator Cayetano (A), the session was suspended.

It was 3:46 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 3:47 p.m., the session was resumed with Senate President Pro Tempore Recto presiding.

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2 ON SENATE BILL NO. 1733 (Continuation)

Upon motion of Senator Cayetano (A), there being no objection, the Body resumed consideration, on Second Reading, of Senate Bill No. 1733 (Committee Report No. 2), entitled

AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO INFORMATION AND THE CONSTITUTIONAL POLICIES OF FULL PUBLIC DISCLOSURE AND HONESTY IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Senator Cayetano (A) stated that the parliamentary status was the period of individual amendments.

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Thereupon, the Chair recognized Senator Poe, sponsor of the measure, and Senate President Drilon for his amendments.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Upon motion of Senate President Drilon, the session was suspended.

It was 3:48 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 3:50 p.m., the session was resumed.

DRILON AMENDMENTS

As proposed by Senate President Drilon and accepted by the Sponsor, there being no objection, the Body approved the following amendments, one after the other:

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1. Delete the sentence starting with the word "This" on line 6 up to the word "government" on line 7, and, in lieu thereof, insert a paragraph to read:

IT IS LIKEWISE A DECLARED POLICY OF THE STATE TO PROMOTE THE MEANINGFUL AND INCREASED PARTICIPATION OF THE PEOPLE IN GOVERNMENT DECISION-MAKING AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY;

2. On lines 9 to 11, after the word "shall," delete the phrase "act with justice, give everyone his or her due, and observe honesty and good faith. Public officials and employees as well as citizens shall endeavor to";
3. On line 11, after the word "Act," insert the phrase FAIRLY, LAWFULLY AND;
4. On lines 11 and 12, delete the phrase "care, to the end that inaccuracies and distortions are avoided," and, in lieu thereof, insert the phrase REGARD TO THE FULL PROTECTION OF THE RIGHT TO PRIVACY OF PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS;

Senate President Drilon stated that the amendment on the first paragraph was on style, while the amendment on the second paragraph provides for a specific and direct policy that the information kept or obtained under the bill shall be accompanied by the duty of the public officials and the public to

observe the right to privacy and for the information to be used for fair and lawful purposes. Moreover, he said that the amendment seeks to reflect the provisions under Section 10 (*Protection of Privacy*) of the bill.

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5. On line 1, after the word "any," insert the phrase PUBLIC AND/OR OFFICIAL;
6. On line 3, replace the word "sound" with AUDIO;
7. On line 4, after the word "material," insert the phrase OF PUBLIC CONCERN;

Senate President Drilon pointed out that the definition of "information" under the committee report was too broad because it includes any information that is made, received, kept in, or those under the control and custody of any government agency pursuant to law, executive order, rules and regulations, ordinance or in connection with the performance of transaction of official business by any government agency. He pointed out that while the Constitution guarantees the right to information on matters of public concern, there should be a balance between privacy and right to public information. For instance, he sought clarification on whether a person could obtain a copy of another person's birth or marriage certificate from the National Statistics Office, whether the FOI law would require the Anti-Money Laundering Council to reveal information that were reported to it by virtue of the Anti-Money Laundering Act because it received the same pursuant to law. He said that these issues on privacy ought to be protected as Congress allows and refines the right of the public to public information.

Senate President Drilon also noted that in other jurisdictions, the freedom of information is complemented by a twin statutory act, a "Data Protection Act," which controls how an individual's personal information is to be used by the public. He explained that everyone who is responsible for using data has to follow stricter rules called "Data Protection Principles" which laid down parameters for the use of information – that it is used fairly and lawfully, for a limited specifically-stated purpose, and in a way that is adequate, relevant and not excessive; that it must be accurate and kept for no longer than what is absolutely necessary, handled according to the people's data protecting rights and kept safe and secure. He noted that under such a law, it is required

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that there is a stronger legal protection for more sensitive information such as political opinions, religious beliefs, health, sexual health and criminal records.

He pointed out that in the United States, the Freedom of Information Act neither applies to Congress, the courts or to the central offices of the White House nor to the records of state or local governments, exceptions that are not being made to apply in the case of the Philippines. He explained that the amendments only seek to protect the privacy of the people.

8. On line 25, before the word "state," insert AND;
9. On lines 26 to 28, delete the phrase "the Armed Forces of the Philippines, the Philippine National Police, all offices in the Congress of the Philippines including the offices of Senators and Representatives, the Supreme Court and all lower courts established by law";
10. On line 26, insert a period (.) after the word "colleges";

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11. Delete lines 1 to 8;

Senate President Drilon explained that the deletion in the first paragraph does not seek to exclude the offices from the coverage of the Act; it was simply an amendment on style because the first sentence of the section which says "This Act shall cover all government agencies," makes the enumeration of the aforementioned agencies redundant. He also noted that the inclusion of public service contractors' obligation to submit the documents under Section 4 was inappropriate since the provision simply enumerates the covered entities and persons that are obliged under this Act to disclose information to the public. He pointed out that under the current wording of the amended bill, the public is no longer given direct access to public service contractors. As such, he said that the inclusion of public service contractors was misplaced.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Upon motion of Senator Poe, the session was suspended.

It was 4:03 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 4:05 p.m., the session was resumed.

Upon resumption, Senator Poe accepted the deletion of lines 1 to 8 on page 3 on the condition that it would be moved to Section 9. Senate President Drilon explained that he proposed the deletion of said lines because the obligations of the contractors, as enumerated, seemed misplaced because Section 4 defines who are covered. He proposed that the deleted paragraph be moved to Section 9 at the appropriate time.

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12. On line 15, replace the word "record" with INFORMATION OF PUBLIC CONCERN.

Senate President Drilon explained that access to information should be limited to the constitutional guarantee of the right to information on matters of public concern. He said that the right to access information should not automatically be extended to all private information that is under the control of a government agency.

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13. On line 5, delete the phrase "unless it forms part of a public record."

Senate President Drilon pointed out that the accessible information must be limited to those of public concern. That the information is part of public record simply because it is required by law to be submitted to a government agency must not make it *ipso facto* accessible to everyone, he said.

14. On line 15, interchange the words "law" and "the Constitution";
15. On lines 15 and 16, delete the phrase "in addition to those provided in this section" and replace it with INCLUDING INFORMATION PROTECTED UNDER THE ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING LAW, AS AMENDED, AND THE BANK SECRECY LAWS;
16. On line 23, replace Section 14 with "Sections 8(a), 9, 11 and 14";

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17. Between the words "from" on line 8, and "Congress" on line 9, insert OR LIMIT THE AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS TO;

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- 18. On line 9, after the word "Congress," insert OR ANY OF ITS COMMITTEES;
- 19. On lines 9 and 10, delete the phrase "nor authority for the executive of a local government unit to withhold information from the legislative body of such local government unit";
- 20. Before line 11, insert a new subsection (5) to read:
 (5) THE EXCEPTIONS DO NOT CONSTITUTE AN AUTHORITY OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT TO WITHHOLD INFORMATION FROM ITS LEGISLATIVE BODY;

The session was suspended and was resumed shortly thereafter.

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- 21. Between lines 9 and 10 insert a new subparagraph (10) to read:
 (10) INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY PUBLIC SERVICE CONTRACTORS TO THE GOVERNMENT AGENCY CONCERNED INCLUDING RECEIPTS, IDENTITIES OF THE SUPPLIERS, PURCHASE ORDERS, CASH VOUCHERS, RELATED CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER PRIVATE ENTITIES AND ANY AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS AND/OR PAPERS RELATED TO THE EXECUTION OR IMPLEMENTATION OF THEIR TRANSACTIONS, CONTRACTS WITH THE GOVERNMENT AGENCY INVOLVED.

Senate President Drilon explained that the amendment transferred the previous definition of "Public Service Contractors" which was earlier deleted from Section 4 on page 3.

- 22. Renumber subparagraph 10 as subparagraph 11.

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- 23. On line 16, delete the word "mere" as an omnibus amendment;
- 24. On line 21, delete the year "1987";

The session was suspended and was resumed shortly thereafter.

- 25. On line 10, delete the phrase "AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 4 OF THIS ACT."

Senate President Drilon explained that the provision was no longer applicable because of the deletion of that portion on Section 4 pertaining to public service contractors.

In closing, Senate President Drilon reserved the right to amend the title of the bill after the other senators shall have introduced their amendments to the bill.

REQUEST OF SENATOR POE

Senator Poe requested the senators who are interested to introduce their amendments to do so that the bill would be finished the soonest possible time.

SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION OF SENATE BILL NO. 1733

Upon motion of Senator Cayetano (A), there being no objection, the Body suspended consideration of the bill.

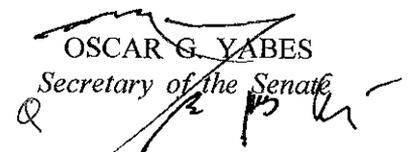
ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

Upon motion of Senator Cayetano (A), there being no objection, the President Pro Tempore declared the session adjourned until three o'clock in the afternoon of the following day.

It was 4:23 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

OSCAR G. YABES
 Secretary of the Senate



Approved on February 25, 2014