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RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE
TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE ALLEGED
MONOPOLY OF GAMCA PHILS ON MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS OF
OFWS BOUND FOR GULF COUNTRIES SUCH AS KUWAIT, QATAR,
SAUDI ARABIA, BAHRAIN, OMAN AND U.E.A IN VIOLATION OF R.A.
10022 AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8042 otherwise
known as MIGRANT WORKERS AND OVERSEAS FILIPINO ACT OF
1995

WHEREAS, the State recognizes the participation of non-governmental organization, duly recognized as legitimate, as partners of the State in the protection of Filipino migrant workers and in the promotion of their welfare under R.A. 10022;

WHEREAS, Sec. 16 par. 16 of R.A. No. 10022 prohibits the monopoly of exclusive conducting health examinations on migrant workers for certain receiving countries;

WHEREAS, there exist a group of medical centers registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) known as Gulf Cooperative Countries Accredited Medical Centers Association (Phils.), Inc., (GAMCA);

WHEREAS, the alleged monopoly of GAMCA in the conduct of medical examination on overseas migrant workers is killing the small medical clinics in the country;

WHEREAS, the right of the overseas migrant workers to choose DOH-accredited medical clinics to conduct medical examination on him is violated;

WHEREFORE, be it resolved by the Philippine Senate to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the alleged monopoly of GAMCA in conducting health examinations for migrant workers for Gulf Countries Cooperative.

Adopted,

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Senator